

Chapter 2

PROSPEROUS PRINCIPLES

Most Christians have never been taught that God hinged His whole creation on two laws or principles that govern the earth and our lives.

These two laws are:

- 1. The law of seedtime and harvest
- 2. The law of dominion and control

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Genesis 1:11 NKJV

“Then God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb that yields seed, and the fruit tree that yields fruit according to its kind, whose seed is in itself, on the earth; and it was so”.

This principle is the foundational law upon which everything is built upon, both on earth and in our lives. It governs everything, positive and negative.

Genesis 1:11 reveals six truths about God’s foundational law of Seedtime and Harvest:

- 1. Then God said
- 2. Let the earth bring forth
- 3. Herbs that yields seed
- 4. Fruit that yields fruit according to its kind
- 5. Whose seed is in itself
- 6. And it was so

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2-The law of dominion and control

Genesis 1:28 New King James

“Then God blessed them, and God said to them, Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

After God establishes and hinges the earth on the law of seedtime and harvest, He then reveals the second law of dominion and control in Genesis 1:28 that becomes possible when applying and building upon His first law of seedtime and harvest. The two work hand in hand or the one does not work effectively without the other.

God reveals ten truths in Genesis 1:28 about Dominion and Control:

1. Then God blessed them
2. And God said to them
3. Be
4. Fruitful
5. And multiply (Jesus confirms this)
6. Fill the earth
7. And subdue it
8. Have dominion over
9. His creation
10. Not dominion over man.

NOTES:

As we can see: God’s plan, purpose and command to His creation was one of increase, advancement, fruitfulness, order, peace and victory which, when understood and applied, will manifest prosperity in His children’s lives.

In other words, we were **Born To Prosper** not born to struggle and live in poverty.



ADAM'S CHOICES CHANGED THE PLAYING FIELDS

The Bible tells us after Adam and Eve had been created and commanded to prosper they are placed in the Garden of Eden. Notice, they were placed in a Garden because God hinged His creation and earth on a law of seedtime and harvest and in order for the laws to work and be applied it will require some gardening.

Amazingly, Jesus spoke throughout His ministry most about seed, gardens, farming, fruit and harvests because, not only was He trying to shift people's mindset to understand the law which governed the earth but He himself was subject to Gods law of seedtime and harvest

John 12:24 NKJV

"Most assuredly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it produces much grain."

Now it's important to notice what is says in the Bible in:

Genesis 2:9b NKJV

"The tree of life was also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil".

Scripture tells us there were specific trees in the midst of the garden called the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Up to this point man does not have the ability to apply good seed or bad seed or think good thoughts or bad thoughts because they have not eaten or understand the concept of good and evil.

Remember it's only in the application of the law of seedtime and harvest that it works for our good and bad.

We know that shortly after this, Adam and Eve make a choice in Genesis that would impact man's nature, mindset and thought choices forever.

Genesis 3:6-7 NKJV

"So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings."

The consumption of the fruit activated the law of seedtime and harvest and in this case it opened their eyes to two choices, two sides, two possible scenarios and that is the



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side of good and the side of evil. Before this, Adam and Eve did not or could not make bad or wrong choices because they did not know good from evil but now they could. What does this mean to you and I in today's age and life? Surely, this is just some Old Testament story.

Well the good and bad news is, it's not just some old story.

The bad news is that if not understood it will have the opposite effect of what God intended for man in Genesis 1:28 "to have dominion over" and will cause you to live a life of continual defeat, struggle, poverty and abuse. The good news is that if understood, applied and repeated as a mindset and lifestyle continuous victory, success and prosperity is yours just as God intended at creation for us.

ADAM'S LIFE CHOICES LEAVE US WITH TWO DAILY CHOICES

As we have learnt and can see, Adam's choice opened up mankind's minds to two choice option in everything we do.

You can either choose good choices or bad choices and these will both have an outcome because of the law that God hinged His earth on, the law of seedtime and harvest.

This is why we have so many well-meaning, good intended Christians believe or think they are not **Born To Prosper**. Not because God has changed His mind or His principles but because of the choices of seeds they continue to sow which continue to produce bad results.

This is why Jesus told us in **Matthew 12:33 NKJV**, "Either make the tree good and its fruit good, or else make the tree bad and its fruit bad; for a tree is known by its

Remember, God hinged His earth and creation on a principle that Paul reminds the church of God in

Galatians 6:7 NKJV

"Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap."

From the time Adam made this choice to open up our natures to choose between two choices (good or bad), we see this continual reminder placed before us in scripture and we see the affected mindsets of people who have fallen prey to negative thinking and now reflect that throughout the old testament and new.



NEGATIVE MINDSET PARADIGMS

-The blame game mindset.

Genesis 3:9-13 NKJV

'Then the Lord God called to Adam and said to him, "Where *are* you?" So he said, "I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself." And He said, "Who told you that you *were* naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you that you should not eat?" Then the man said, "**The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate.**" And the Lord God said to the woman, "What *is* this you have done?" The woman said, "**The serpent deceived me, and I ate.**"

-The grasshopper mindset.

Numbers 13:31-33 NKJV

'But the men who had gone up with him said, "**We are not able to go up against the people, for they are stronger than we.**" And they gave the children of Israel a bad report of the land which they had spied out, saying, "The land through which we have gone as spies is a land that devours its inhabitants, and all the people whom we saw in it are men of great stature. **There we saw the giants (the descendants of Anak came from the giants); and we were like grasshoppers in our own sight, and so we were in their sight.**"

-The 'I am the least' mindset.

Judges 6:12-15 NKJV

'And the Angel of the Lord appeared to him, and said to him, "The Lord *is* with you, you mighty man of valor!"

Gideon said to Him, "**O my lord, if the Lord is with us, why then has all this happened to us? And where *are* all His miracles which our fathers told us about, saying, 'Did not the Lord bring us up from Egypt?'** But now the Lord has forsaken us and delivered us into the hands of the Midianites."

'Then the Lord turned to him and said, "Go in this might of yours, and you shall save Israel from the hand of the Midianites. Have I not sent you?"

So he said to Him, "**O, my Lord, how can I save Israel? Indeed my clan *is* the weakest in Manasseh, and I *am* the least in my father's house.**"

-The 'Why Give' mindset.

John 12:5 NKJV

But one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, who would betray Him, said, "**Why was this fragrant oil not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?**" This he said, not that he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and had the money box; and he used to take what was put in it.



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POSITIVE MINDSET PARADIGMS

-The 'We are well able' mindset.

Numbers 13:32 NKJV

'Then Caleb quieted the people before Moses, and said, "Let us go up at once and take possession, **for we are well able to overcome it.**"'

-The 'My God is with me' mindset.

1 Samuel 17:45-46a NKJV

Then David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with a sword, with a spear, and with a javelin. **But I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.** This day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you and take your head from you."

-The 'I can do all things' mindset.

Philippians 4:13 NKJV

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

-The 'I hope you prosper' mindset.

3 John 1:2 NKJV

"Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers."

Scripture is loud and clear that the choices we make or seeds we choose to sow, either positive or negative, will produce a harvest or paradigm that manifests itself through our words, beliefs and actions which equals our results in life.

That is why we are constantly reminded in scripture to consider the types of choices we make daily.

BIBLICAL CHOICE REMINDERS

LIFE CHOICES

Deuteronomy 30:19 NKJV

"I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live".

WORD CHOICES

Proverbs 18:21 NKJV

"Death and life are in the power of the tongue,
And those who love it will eat its fruit."



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THOUGHT CHOICES

Proverbs 23:7 NKJV

"For as he thinks in his heart, so is he".

CIRCUMSTANCE CHOICES

Mark 11:24 NKJV

"For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be removed and be cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says."

FINANCIAL CHOICES

2 Corinthians 9:6 NKJV

"But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully."

MINDSET CHOICES

James 3:10-12 NKJV

"Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so. Does a spring send forth fresh water and bitter from the same opening? Can a fig tree, my brethren, bear olives, or a grapevine bear fig? Thus no spring yields both salt water and fresh."

It is clear in scripture that your choices, mindset, thoughts, attitude and belief are an integral part of what results you will produce on the earth.

A negative mind will produce a negative outcome. A positive mind will produce positive results.

Matthew 7:18

"A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit."

Lack and limitation can only exist when we make room for them in our mind. But prosperity consciousness knows no lack and no limitation.

Resolve to completely remove the lid from your marvellous mind with respect to your future, and understand that the breakthrough you are seeking is—and always has been—seeking you in return. So, make a conscious decision now that you are never going to allow God's creation to have dominion over you.

Choose today to say, *'I am a seed minded child of god and not a need minded person, today I choose to':*



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Luke 6:38 NKJV

"Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you."

Now that we have covered the incredibly powerful truths of God's two laws upon which He hinged and governs the earth on and now that we know that the choices we make positive and negative, will have an outcome and produce results in our lives.

The next question must then be asked: 'What then causes so many Christians who know these principles, not always see the breakthroughs or prosperity manifest consistently in their lives?'

The answer lies in our next session 'Prosperous Thinking'. We are going to discover what forms habits good and bad, what causes bad and good results in our lives and what we must and can do to change it.

We are going to discover that the thoughts we think become habits and habits produce action which give us our results in life.

Good thought seeds and bad thought seeds all produce harvests, positive and negative in our lives.

Get ready to be amazed.

