

# Prayer Principles for Business, Government and Ministry

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The following Word and commentary came to me on October 1, 2008 at around 4am. While I dreamed about the, "**The Rich of this World**," I also heard words concerning this subject. Upon awakening, I knew that the Lord instructed me to write it down.

I now share with you what I wrote in order to help Christian men and women in their ministries, and those in businesses or in government positions. You will understand how to act in faith on sound biblical principles and to conquer the obstacles and opposition you certainly face in the midst of this dark present world system that works to control finances and resources.

**W**hat comfort foods are to the poor, money provides the same type of comfort to the rich of this world! Every one needs comfort and satisfaction.

The "**Rich of this World**" are only satisfied with money. Money empowers them and money comforts them. Money is their identity and they use money in order to get what they think they want, they use it especially to gain influence over people.

Their hope is their money. Their past, present and future... all are connected to THEIR money.

When THEIR money is lost, they lose hope and begin to self-destruct. This is why the so-called "Crash of 1929" devastated the American economy. This is why a few men jumped out of office windows to their death and doom.

The Crash was well publicized and proclaimed throughout the land. Since most American people identified with the "Rich of this World," they too became depressed, fearful and lost hope. The Great Depression became the mindset of multitudes.

This news was published throughout the land. It was set in fear and nothing functioned well for the fearful. As you know, fear has inherent torment. Torment destroys peace, and without peace, men cannot act rationally.

**N**ow this is true; most of the wealth in the world is now under demonic influence or controlled by demon powers. Believers who know their authority in the Name of Jesus Christ, and exercise that authority, can take the wealth back from the devilish powers that hold it.

The devil uses money to control governments, corporations and people at every level of society. Haiti's society is in failure due to greed, lust, envy etc. It is a close example of hell on the earth.

Believers need to learn the following things, especially business owners and governing officials that I have set in office:

1. **T**he earth is Mine and all that is in it belongs to Me, because it is My creation. Man has corrupted much of My creation, but the wealth of the earth is Mine. There is more than enough wealth in the earth to complete My plans and purposes.
2. **O**nly those who KNOW THEIR GOD can do exploits. You have to take back the wealth from the devil for Me. This only works for those who have eradicated selfishness from their lives. When you are selfless, you have conquered greed, envy and covetousness. No one can clearly see My plan or My will until these are conquered. All of their endeavors will be self-serving.
3. **U**se your authority and command money to be loosed from the hands of men. The devil influences men, but men possess the money. Ask the ministering spirits (angels) to cause the money to come, to influence people to buy your product, to accept your ideas, direction or services. Command favor to cover your business, ask for wisdom to function in the market place.
4. **B**elieve for abundance. Believe for favor for your business, products, services, employees, etc. Pray for your managers, administrators, secretaries, etc. Take your authority in the market place, government positions, etc.

**I**f your true goal is to serve Me and My purposes you can effectively exercise this kind of authority.

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The following Scriptures support the key phrases I heard. There are more Scriptures concerning these points than you will find here, but these examples sufficiently establish the biblical principles. I strongly believe that any word, dream, vision etc... must always be backed up by the soundness of the Bible!

God's written Word gives us direction. His Holy Spirit speaks to our spirit. He teaches, warns and reveals to us things concerning the world we live in, and also reveals to us things concerning the dangerous unseen forces at work. With faith in God, His Word and Spirit-led prayer, we can effectively maneuver through this world system and succeed in anything He directs us to do. The Bible clearly teaches that we are in a spiritual battle. We must stay alert to this fact at all times and guard our hearts and our minds.

As Christians, we must be doers of God's Word at all times. We must learn to listen to our own spirit, who is in communication with the Holy Spirit. This is the primary way that God speaks to us and directs us to work with Him and to do His will, which is His business, in the earth.

## **The Rich of this World**

The Bible has a great deal to say about the rich of this world, their motivations and actions. Even Christian ministries can become worldly and self-serving in their motivations. *Note: You can be empowered by God to create wealth for HIM and HIS PURPOSES.*

“The rich man's wealth is his strong city, and as a high wall in his own conceit.” Proverbs 18:11

“Then said Jesus unto his disciples, Verily I say unto you, that a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven.” Matthew 19:23

“For no sooner has the sun risen with a burning heat than it withers the grass; its flower falls, and its beautiful appearance perishes. So the rich man also will fade away in his pursuits.” James 1:11

“Go to now, ye rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you.” James 5:1

“For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.” 1 Timothy 6:10

“Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high-minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy” 1 Timothy 6:17

## **Fear has Inherent Torment**

These verses are explanation enough. Fear is the opposite of Faith. Feed your faith and starve your doubts!

“There is no peace,” says my God, “for the wicked.” Isaiah 57:21

“There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love”. 1 John 4:18

## **The Wealth is Under Demonic Influence**

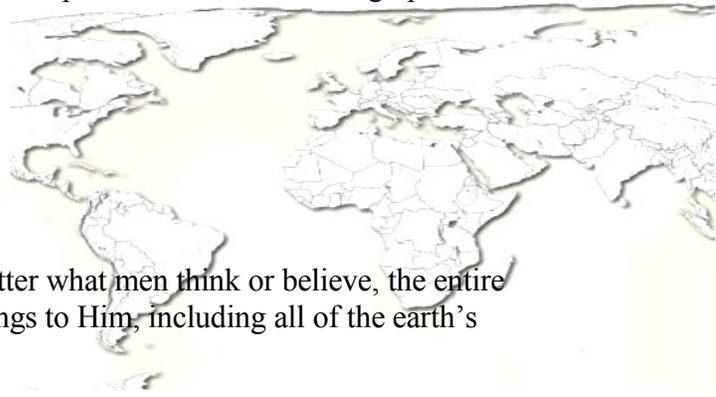
This is due to the biblical fact that all people in the world who are not saved are in darkness. All unsaved men are to some extent under the dominion of the devil's influence. Some wealthy men are even controlled by demon powers and unknowingly use their wealth as the devil bids them to. They think they are in control, but the devil has hooked them and is the one directing them and their endeavors.

“Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me.” John 14:30

“In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.” 2 Corinthians 4:4

“Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now works in the children of disobedience” Ephesians 2:2

“For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.” Ephesians 6:12



### **The Earth is Mine and the Wealth is Mine**

This statement has been and always will be true. No matter what men think or believe, the entire earth belongs to God. Everything in the earth belongs to Him, including all of the earth's natural resources.

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.” Genesis 1:1

“Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine” Exodus 19:5

“For every beast of the forest is Mine, and the cattle on a thousand hills. I know all the birds of the mountains, and the wild beasts of the field are Mine.” Psalm 50:10, 11

“The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine,’ says the LORD of hosts.” Haggai 2:8

### **Those Who Know Their God Do Exploits**

An exploit is an act or deed, especially a brilliant or heroic one. An exploit is a deed of renown, an adventurous or noble achievement. The early disciples did exploits and so do many people today. You must KNOW GOD from experience, not just believe or know about Him.

“But the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits.” Daniel 11:32

The following subjects and verses are a small sample of the extensive references found in scripture dealing with motives. A good example of a Christian believer with a wrong motivation is Simon in Samaria (Acts 8:4-24). We must have a right heart motive to exercise authority or we become self serving. We must want what God wants for the same reason He want it...

### **Selfishness**

“Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself.” Philippians 2:3

## **Greed**

“He who is greedy for gain troubles his own house, But he who hates bribes will live.”  
Proverbs 15:27

“Then the Lord said to him, “Now you Pharisees make the outside of the cup and dish clean, but your inward part is full of greed and wickedness.” Luke 11:39

“For a bishop must be blameless, as a steward of God, not self-willed, not quick-tempered, not given to wine, not violent, not greedy for money” Titus 1:7

## **Envy**

“A sound heart is life to the body, But envy is rottenness to the bones.” Proverbs 14:30

“Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up” 1 Corinthians 13:4

“For where envy and self-seeking exist, confusion and every evil thing are there.” James 3:16

## **Covetousness**

“And He said to them, “Take heed and beware of covetousness, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses.” Luke 12:15

“But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints” Ephesians 5:3

“Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.” Colossians 3:5

## **Self Serving**

“Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show by good conduct that his works are done in the meekness of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and self-seeking in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the truth. This wisdom does not descend from above, but is earthly, sensual, and demonic.” James 3:13-15

## **Money through the Hands of Men**

Jesus taught about giving, including that money comes through other people. So learn to expect money to come through the hands of men. Be smart enough to take Jesus at his Word. Command money to be loosed (released) from the hands of men. Believe Jesus' Word and do it! You will see results.

“Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.” Luke 6:38

### **Ask the Ministering Spirits**

Both the Old and New Testaments have a lot to say about angels. Angels work to help people in this earth realm, but few understand this principle in Hebrews or act on it in prayer. Many religiously pray to saints, but the Bible does not teach to do so. The Bible principle is that angels are here to minister for us. We are the heirs of salvation. We can and must ask them to assist, influence and work on our behalf. Angels do this in many ways according to the will of God, and even act concerning the area of finances...

“But to which of the angels has He ever said: “Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool”? Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation?” Hebrews 1:14

### **Command Favor to Cover Your Business**

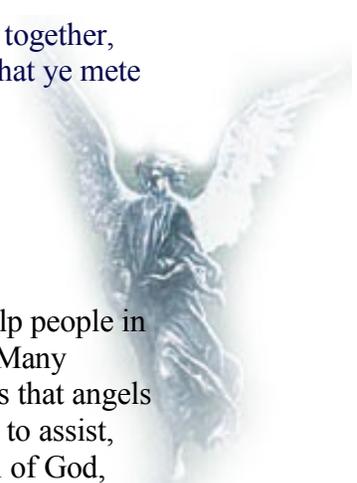
God can and will bring you into favor if you will ask and expect him to do it? You will probably never have favor with every person you meet, but divine favor will come to you when you need it and with whom you need it if you will believe and ask for it? God will do big things with men and women through His supernatural favor.

Proverbs 3:3-5 Let not mercy and truth forsake you; Bind them around your neck, Write them on the tablet of your heart,<sup>4</sup> And so find favor and high esteem In the sight of God and man.<sup>5</sup> Trust in the LORD with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding;

Luke 2:52 And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.

Acts 7:9-11 “And the patriarchs, becoming envious, sold Joseph into Egypt. But God was with him 10 and delivered him out of all his troubles, and gave him favor and wisdom in the presence of Pharaoh, king of Egypt; and he made him governor over Egypt and his entire house. 11 Now a famine and great trouble came over all the land of Egypt and Canaan, and our fathers found no sustenance.

### **Ask for Wisdom to Function in the Market Place**



God knows businesses and governments, along with all things that pertain to them, better than we ever will. He can add “super” to your “natural” and put your business or legislation on the map. He will give you divine strategies... if you will ask, believe and expect Him to answer. He will show you the path to favor if you ask. Hell trembles at the thought of real faithful Christians with wealth, power and influence in the market place today.

“If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.” James 1:5

### **Use Your Authority**

Jesus has commissioned us believers to exercise His authority in the earth today! We need to be occupied with our Father’s business, as His Holy Spirit directs us. We win only by knowing His power and acting with His authority that He has delegated to us. Neither you nor I, naturally speaking, are a match for the devil and his power. But we have been given Christ’s authority and all of heaven is backing us. Jesus backs us and He has defeated the devil. In the Name of Jesus, you can exercise authority over the devil!

“Behold, I give unto you power (authority) to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.” Luke 10:19

“Finally, my brothers, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.” Ephesians 6:10

“You are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.” 1 John 4:4

### **Believe for Abundance**

God is a God of abundance; He is abundant in everything that pertains to life and godliness. He says he can do exceedingly, abundantly above all that we can even ask or think. That statement amazes me, I know many people who think big and have big dreams, but God can do beyond all we ask or think!

“And God *is* able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have abundance for every good work.” 2 Corinthians 9:8



**Dear Reader,**

You can believe, pray effectively and exercise your authority as these verses described. Be sure you meet the qualification of selflessness. Believe and expect the Lord to perform his Word for you. You have delegated authority in the Father's earthly business because of Christ in you. This is just a part of His salvation package that he has given you. Study the Scriptures for yourself and take action accordingly. With further Bible study, you will understand more of God's truths. Trust God to reveal Himself to you through the light of His Word. Don't fear to move out into new areas of faith concerning your authority and prayer. You will experience biblical results in the endeavors that you believe God has directed you to be involved in. We must not continue to allow the devil to hinder our families, our businesses, leadership positions or influence. We must not allow the devil to continue to control the bulk of the finances that are in the earth. It all belongs to God our Father! And we are His heirs. With His Word and His authority we can take His resources back and fulfill His will in the earth. Time is getting shorter with each passing day, now is the time to believe and act!

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