## <u>Increasing Your Fruit:</u> <u>Moving Into Abundance In Finances, etc.</u>

John 15:16 NASB "You did not choose Me but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and *that* your fruit would remain, so that whatever you ask of the Father in My name He may give to you.

2 Corinthians 9:8 NASB And God is able to **make all grace abound to you**, so that always having **all sufficiency in everything**, you may have **an abundance for every good deed**;

2 Corinthians 9:10 NASB (10) Now He who supplies <u>seed to the</u> <u>sower</u> and <u>bread for food</u> will <u>supply and multiply your</u> <u>seed for sowing</u> and <u>increase the harvest of your</u> <u>righteousness</u>;

## God's will for you:

- ALL Grace ABOUND to you
- Sufficiency in Everything
- Abundance for EVERY Good Deed
- Seed to the Sower
- Bread for Food
- Multiply Seed for Sowing
- Increase the Harvest of your Righteousness

# That list of GREAT things came from the verses before that...

### 2 Corinthians 9:6-7 NASB

- (6) Now this *I say*, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and **he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully**.
- (7) Each one *must do* just **as he has purposed in his heart**, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for **God loves a**

## cheerful giver.

Sowing is truly something that has happened in your heart before the act has manifested.

## **General Mindsets towards Financial Thinking:**

- 1. Quantity of Money Made: immature worldly thinking
- 2. Quantity of money saved: mature worldly thinking
- 3. Quantity of money given: beginning Godly thinking (1 Cor 13:3)
- 4. Quantity of money given in LOVE (*led by God*): mature Godly thinking

This also brings up harvesting from grace OR sowing & reaping

#### **General Mindsets towards Biblical Finances:**

- 1. God wants you poor & humble
- 2. God will sovereignly give prosperity
- 3. God wants me prosperous (head knowledge but no faith or action)
- 4. Seed, Time & Harvest
- 5. Prosperity through Grace alone

**Seed, Time & Harvest:** "I will abundantly increase as I sow abundantly"

**Prosperity through Grace:** "I will abundantly increase simply because of grace"

John 16:15 NASB "All things that the Father has are Mine; therefore I said that He takes of Mine and will disclose *it* to you.

2 Peter 1:2-3 NASB Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord; (3) seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and

godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence.

Romans 8:32 NASB He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him over for us all, how will He not also with Him freely give us all things?

Ephesians 1:3 NASB Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *places* in Christ,

Romans 5:21 NASB so that, as sin reigned in death, even so **grace would reign through righteousness** to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

2 Corinthians 9:10 NASB (10) Now He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the <u>harvest of your righteousness</u>;

1 Corinthians 6:12 NASB (12) All things are lawful for me, but not all things are profitable. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be mastered by anything.

1 Corinthians 10:23 NASB (23) All things are lawful, but not all things are profitable. All things are lawful, but not all things edify.

How can we have grace alone give us ALL things YET not all things bring profit or have more or less harvest of righteousness?

You don't earn your salvation in ANY area! Even Prosperity & provision! It is by faith! But faith has a response & corresponding action.

**Prosperity through Grace:** Faith towards Righteousness then Receiving *(basically faith without works)* 

**Seed, Time & Harvest:** Sow then Faith then Receiving (basically works followed by faith)

#### 2 Buckets of Provision:

- 1. Your Seed for Sowing
- 2. Your Abundance

# We have been operating out of just one bucket of provision! and minimally at that!

#### So what do we need to do?

 PURPOSE in your heart by faith to be an ABOUNDING, CHEERFUL GIVER!

## **HOW? Ask yourself these questions:**

- 1. AM I an abounding giver?
- 2. AM I a cheerful giver?

Listen to this example: How do you want to give next year?

## Abounding knows only the limits of obedience to God.

If God doubled your income next year, how much would you give? Our first thoughts generally tend to be how our life, our toys, our comfort & our leisure would improve. This is why we aren't receiving abundant seed.

# Cheerful is looking for ways to give everything, not just percentages.

We need to see that if you're not an abounding, cheerful giver **in** 

**<u>your heart 1st</u>**, the abundant seed won't be there for you to sow & the abundant harvest won't be there either.

What would probably happen if God doubled your income?

If we truly PURPOSED in our heart, *not DESIRED....* 

If we truly PURPOSED in our heart to be an ABOUNDING, CHEERFUL giver, ABUNDANT SEED would be given, then multiplied, then time would process & our harvest of our righteousness would be increased to FULL ABUNDANCE!