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A woman in a white dress is running away from the viewer through a dark, arched doorway. She is moving towards a bright, sunlit outdoor area with tall grass. The scene is framed by the dark, textured walls of the interior space.

GOD IS

Just as the Lord said it would be, the year 2019 was a year of marvels, wonders, and extraordinary manifestations of the greatness of our God. This was the message I preached consistently wherever I went throughout the year, and I also published a book by the same title.

But as 2019 drew to a close the Lord impressed me to add the words “and beyond” to what He’d originally told me. I was to tell the people that

however, we must be careful not to limit God by our own thinking. If we consider our own ability or how God has done things in the past, we limit Him from moving as He wants in our behalf.

We stand in front of a new door. This is a truth we must meditate on as we listen to the Holy Spirit. We should get up every day expecting to go through this new door.

Jesus said, “For assuredly, I say to

unusual or strange occurrences that arrest our attention through their grandeur and magnificence. And extraordinary manifestations of His greatness are beyond the common order or method; they are rare and uncommon.

Increase is God’s Plan

God established increase as His plan for mankind in the beginning: “*So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. Then God blessed them,*

OPENING A NEW DOOR

JERRY SAVELLE

marvels, wonders, and extraordinary manifestations of the greatness of our God would take place in 2019—and beyond. In other words, God is not done performing these miracles!

The Lord always speaks to me about His plans for each upcoming year, and 2020 was no exception. I recently woke from a nap with nothing particular on my mind, but suddenly the Holy Spirit began to speak so I grabbed my notebook and prepared to write.

The words He spoke added further revelation to those already spoken of 2019 and beyond. He said, “In 2020, I will open a new door, and I will cause my faithful ones to experience supernatural increase as never before.”

I’ve experienced supernatural increase many times as I’ve preached the gospel over the past fifty years, and the only way I could explain each instance was that it had to be God’s doing. That kind of supernatural increase was beyond anything I could even think of, much less do on my own. And now God said He was about to open a new door.

A “*new door*” means a door we’ve not been through before. This new door will bring supernatural increase beyond anything we’ve experienced;

you, if you have faith ... nothing will be impossible for you” (Matthew 17:20). We must not allow our minds and thoughts to rob us of what God wants to do. Never say things such as, “I just don’t know how in the world God could do this.” God doesn’t ask that we understand; He asks that we believe what He said and accept it by faith!

Say these words out loud right now: “I accept by faith that God is opening a new door to supernatural increase beyond anything I’ve ever experienced.” Don’t let anyone talk you out of God’s promises and the marvels, wonders, and extraordinary manifestations that will continue in 2020.

What are marvels, wonders, and extraordinary manifestations? God’s marvels are experiences that cause us to be amazed or filled with overwhelming surprise. Wonders are

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” (Genesis 1:27–28).

Notice the phrase “God blessed them.” The word *bless* means “empower to prosper; to succeed, to increase”; therefore, when God pronounced the blessing on the man and woman at creation, that blessing entitled mankind to experience increase in every area of life. God had increase on His mind at the very beginning.

God made the same promise to Noah: So God blessed Noah and his sons, and said to them, “*Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth*” (Genesis 9:1). He empowered Noah and his family to prosper, to

increase. Then God made a promise to Abraham: *"I will make you a great nation; and I will bless you and make your name great; and you shall be a blessing"* (Genesis 12:2).

Notice God *blessed* Abraham. The result of this solemn pledge He made to Abraham and his seed was that Abraham was very rich in livestock, in silver, and in gold (Genesis 13:2). With the blessing of God upon his life, Abraham increased in livestock, silver, and gold. But that wasn't all God did for Abraham.

God made a covenant with Abraham, saying, *"I am Almighty God; walk before Me and be blameless. And I will make My covenant between Me and you, and will multiply you exceedingly. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you"* (Genesis 17:1–2, 6). The word fruitful as used in this verse not only refers to one's offspring, it also means "to become plenteous and abounding in everything." Through His covenant with Abraham, God confirmed His original intent that mankind was to experience increase.


Let's look again at Genesis 17 to see where you and I come in. In verse 7 God said, *"And I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you in their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and your descendants after you."* This covenant was everlasting, extending to all future generations.

You and I are Abraham's seed in our respective generations; therefore, the solemn pledge God made to Abraham is as much ours as it was Isaac's and Jacob's. We have every right to experience supernatural increase just as they did.


At a time of famine in the land, God directed Abraham's son Isaac to *"Live in the land of which I shall tell*

you. Dwell in this land, and I will be with you and bless you" (Genesis 26:2–3). In other words, God said, "I'm going to bring supernatural increase into your life just as I did for your father. I do this because of my solemn oath to Abraham that I would not only bless him and bring increase to him, I would also do the same thing for his seed in every generation."

The Bible says this of Isaac: *The man began to prosper, and continued prospering*



**The Word of God
says, And if you are
Christ's then you are
Abraham's seed, and
heirs according
to the promise
(Galatians 3:29)**



until he became very prosperous; for he had possessions of flocks and possessions of herds and a great number of servants. So the Philistines envied him (Genesis 26:13–14). The Message says, *The man got richer and richer by the day until he was very rich.* God fulfilled His covenant in Isaac's generation.

Speaking of Abraham's grandson Jacob, the Bible says, *Thus the man became exceedingly prosperous, and had large flocks, female and male servants, and camels and donkeys* (Genesis 30:43). The same blessing that was first on Abraham and then on Isaac was also on Jacob—he too experienced supernatural increase.

The Bible says, *But the children of Israel were fruitful and increased abundantly; multiplied and grew exceedingly mighty*

(Exodus 1:7). Not only did Abraham's seed increase in offspring, they increased in every area of their lives and became exceedingly mighty. As they were about to enter the land God promised to give them, Moses declared, "Therefore hear, O Israel, and be careful to observe it, that it may be well with you, and that you may multiply greatly as the Lord God of your fathers has promised you" (Deuteronomy 6:3). Moses went on to say, *"And He will love you and bless you and multiply you; He will also bless ... the increase of your cattle and the offspring of your flock"* (Deuteronomy 7:13).

We can see God has always had increase on His mind.

Decree Supernatural Increase

When I first came to the Lord, Carolyn and I had nothing (with the exception of a mountain of debt). One day as I was studying the Bible I found these words: *Though your beginning was small, yet your latter end would increase abundantly* (Job 8:7).

I took what I'd just read seriously and thought if God didn't mean this He should never have put it in my copy of the Bible. I'm going for it! I indeed went for it, and though it often looked as if I'd never increase abundantly, I refused to give up. Now, fifty years later, I can say that this verse has become the testimony of my life. Before I knew the Word of God my beginning was very small. But praise God, my latter end has increased abundantly—and God isn't done yet!

The Message version of Job 8:7 says, *Even though you're not much right now, you'll end up better than ever.* To end up better than ever requires supernatural increase, which the psalmist decreed when he penned these words:

The Lord has been mindful of us; He will bless us; He will bless the house of Israel; He will bless the house of Aaron. He will bless those who fear the Lord, both small and great. May the Lord give you increase more and more, you and your children. May you be blessed by the Lord, who made heaven and earth (Psalms 115:12–15).

I've already experienced supernatural increase, but now I'm ready for the "more and more" that God has in store not only for me, but also for my children. I want to encourage you to hold fast to the verse above. Put a marker there so that every morning when you get up you can open your Bible and read this passage out loud, and then decree it over yourself and your children.


I remember when I first learned the importance of the words we speak. Jesus said, "Whoever ... believes that those things he says will be done, he will have what ever he says" (Mark 11:23). The principle of having what we say also appears in the Old Testament: *Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee* (Job 22:28).

Don't decree these verses only once—decree them every day. When you mix your faith with the Word of God, you will most certainly have what you say!


Sowing for Increase

We must never forget the part sowing plays in our experiencing supernatural increase. Carolyn and I literally sowed ourselves out of debt; we sowed ourselves out of lack and we sowed ourselves out of need. Oftentimes we sowed when, in the natural, we couldn't afford to sow. But the truth is, we couldn't afford not to sow.

I remember the first airplane the Lord blessed me with—free of debt. It was a great airplane that we enjoyed flying, and every time I got in it I couldn't stop praising God. But then the Lord spoke to me about two ministries that were suffering financial difficulties; in the natural it didn't appear either would recover.



The Word of God says, *There is one who scatters, yet increases more; and there is one who withholds more than is right, but it leads to poverty. The generous soul will be made rich, and he who watered himself* (Proverbs 11:24–25)



He said, "I want you to sell the airplane, divide the proceeds equally, and give the money to those two ministries."

When I told my bookkeeper how I planned to sell the airplane and then bless the two ministries with finances, he said, "You can't do that—we need that money for this ministry." He was right about our ministry's own financial needs, but I'd learned from Brother Copeland that the airplane was worth far more as a seed than its value in the natural.

I obeyed the Lord and sold the airplane, and then I split the money equally and sowed it to those two

ministries. Not only did the Lord supply the finances to meet the ministry's every need at the time, it wasn't long until He blessed me with my second debt-free airplane.

We cannot expect increase without sowing. Right after God blessed Adam and Eve He said, *Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth ... to you it shall be for meat* (Genesis 1:29 KJV). The word meat means "provision." God gave mankind the ability to increase supernaturally, and then He revealed how to do it: by sowing seed.

I've always sown the most when, in the natural, I could least "afford" it. I know God is not a man that He should lie; He told Adam and Eve that seed was for provision, and it is He who gives the seed for sowing. The Bible says we are to work with our hands so that we may have something to give to those in need (see Ephesians 4:28). Our jobs or professions are not there solely to provide our income; they provide seed to sow into the lives of others.

We need to remove from our vocabularies phrases such as "I'm a mechanic for a living," "I'm a bookkeeper for a living," or "I'm a sales rep for a living." We should instead say, "I'm a mechanic for a giving," "I'm a bookkeeper for a giving," and "I'm a sales rep for a giving." Our jobs and professions are but one way for God to bless our hands. Our income should never be limited to our paychecks. Those paychecks help to meet our needs, but more importantly they provide the seed we need to sow for God's promised supernatural increase.

The Bible says, *As it is written: "He has dispersed abroad, he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food,*

supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness (2 Corinthians 9:8–10). The Message says, *God can pour on the blessings in astonishing ways so that you're ready for anything and everything* (verse 8). Remember, God said He is opening a new door—and supernatural increase is waiting on the other side.

Only Believe

We know that Abraham's grandson Jacob experienced supernatural increase in his life because the Bible says, *And the man increased exceedingly* (Genesis 30:43 KJV). The word *exceedingly* as it is used here means, *"above and over a specified requirement."* In other words, God wants to bless us beyond what is required.

Exceedingly also means "surpassing what is needed." The Bible says God is *able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us* (Ephesians 3:20). The Amplified Bible says *God is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]*. The Message says *God can do anything, you know—far more than you could ever imagine or guess or request in your wildest dreams!* Regardless how big we dream, God can fulfill every dream in ways bigger than we can think or imagine. Our job is to simply believe that God can, and will, do what He promised.

Most of us are familiar with the story of Jesus and Jairus, whose young daughter was dying. Before Jesus and Jairus could get to the girl word came that she had died. The Bible says, *But when Jesus heard it, He answered ... saying, "Do not be afraid; only believe"*

(Luke 8:50), and then Jesus went to the little girl and raised her from the dead.

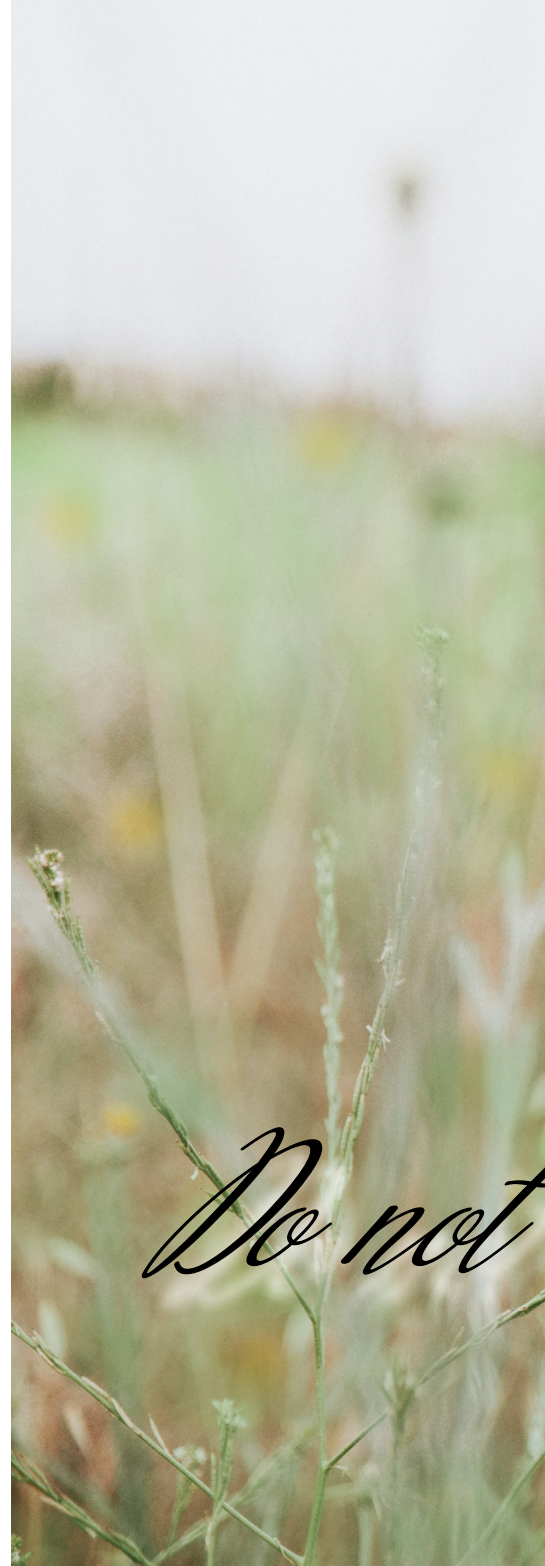
My point is this: We must never limit God by looking at our circumstances and our own natural abilities. We must look at our circumstances with the knowledge that all things are possible, for Jesus said, *"With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible"* (Matthew 19:26). The Message says, *"No chance at all if you think you can pull it off yourself. Every chance in the world if you trust God to do it."*

The apostle Paul wrote about the importance of being selective about the thoughts we allow to have access to our minds. He said, *Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report ... meditate on these things* (Philippians 4:8). He also said we are to *cast down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ* (2 Corinthians 10:5).

When we renew our minds to the Word of God, there will be no place for any unbelief in our lives as we operate in the same kind of faith as Abraham: *He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God; and being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform* (Romans 4:20–21 KJV).

I am fully persuaded that God is able to bring supernatural increase into my life and ministry, and that He wants to do the same for you. Remember, if you have faith nothing shall be impossible for you, for God is no respecter of persons. What He's done for me, He will also do for you.

All God asks right now is that you give Him your faith—dare to believe



He can do all that you ask or think in ways you could never dream of. I invite you to join me in making this declaration out loud:



Don't be afraid; only believe.

LUKE 8:50

In the name of Jesus, I am a believer and I believe my God is not through yet. I'm headed for marvels, wonders, and extraordinary manifestations of the greatness of my God. I believe I am walking through a brand-new door in which I'll experience supernatural increase as never before!



JERRY SAVELLE

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The Law of Seedtime & Harvest

Carolyn Savelle





My husband has often said the greatest spiritual law established by God is the law of seedtime and harvest.

Merriam-Webster.com defines law as “a rule of conduct or action prescribed or formally recognized as binding or enforced by a controlling authority.” God Himself is the controlling authority behind the spiritual and natural laws He has established in the earth. A law established by God works every time we engage it. For instance, the law of gravity dictates that what goes up must come down. This natural law works every time, without exception. Likewise, the law of seedtime and harvest works every time we engage it.

To understand the law of seedtime and harvest, we need to go back to the beginning, to the book of Genesis where everything began.

And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters ... and it was so.

And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear, and it was so.

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat (Genesis 1:3, 6-7, 27-28 KJV).

When God spoke, His word was the seed that produced what He intended to produce: light, water, and firmament. What God said manifested in the natural, because His Word went into that seed. That seed heard, “Grow. Replenish. Multiply.” A seed cannot do anything else but grow because God told it to.

Notice God said, I have given you every herb bearing seed ... to you it shall be for meat (Genesis 1:28 KJV). The word *meat* in this verse can also mean “provision.” In other words, God said, “I have given you every herb bearing seed, and it shall be for your provision.”

Clearly, God intends us to make provision for our lives by sowing. The act of sowing not only makes provision for us, it sustains us.

How God's Kingdom Works

Jerry describes the parable of the sower in Mark, chapter 4, as “the granddaddy of all parables” because it is the blueprint for how God's kingdom works.

“Listen! Behold, a sower went out to sow. And it happened, as he sowed, that some seed fell by the wayside; and the birds of the air came and devoured it. Some fell on stony ground, where it did not have much earth; and immediately it sprang up because it had no depth of earth. But when the sun was up it was scorched, and because it had no root withered away. And some seed fell among thorns; and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no crop. But other seed

fell on good ground and yielded a crop that sprang up, increased and produced: some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some a hundred.”

And He said to them, “*Do you not understand this parable? How then will you understand all parables?*” (Mark 4:3–8, 13).

Once I understood what it meant to be a sower and that sowing activated the law of seedtime and harvest in my life, I was on a quest to be the biggest sower I could possibly be.

“The thoughts we think, the words we speak, and the deeds we do are all seed. Think about it: if you sow something as simple as a smile to someone you meet, you will reap a smile in return. Sometimes a pat on the back is all the encouragement a person needs, and the act of giving that pat is sowing seed.”



As we look again at verses 27 and 28 of Genesis 1, we see that God gave two specific gifts to mankind: the first was dominion and authority, the second was the miracle of the seed. Simply stated, God gave us the authority to determine our own destinies according to the

seed we sow. Just as every herb, tree, and plant that yields seed for food begins with the sowing of a single seed, so does everything else we receive in life.

The thoughts we think, the words we speak, and the deeds we do are all seed. Think about it: if you sow something as simple as a smile to someone you meet, you will reap a smile in return. Sometimes a pat on the back is all the encouragement a person needs, and the act of giving that pat is sowing seed.

Sowing became my lifestyle, and it's how I live today. I get up every morning and ask God to show me where to sow this day. Once armed with the knowledge that I could determine my own destiny by the seed I sow, I made the decision to be a sower in all areas of my life.

We can see God's will for our lives expressed in 3 John 2: *Beloved, I pray that you may prosper and be in health, just as your soul prospers.* I love the assurance that comes from knowing God really loves me (He calls me His beloved) and He desires to see me prosper and be in health. Why wouldn't my heavenly Father want this for me? After all, His desire is no different than my desire for my own children.

When Jerry and I first moved to Fort Worth to establish our home, most of what we owned was second-hand furniture that came from family members who no longer wanted it—and with good reason. I did my best to refurbish those old hand-me-down pieces, but Jerry thought we really needed to set a match to them.

That's when I learned about the

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law of seedtime and harvest, which I quickly set into motion. I gave away the best furniture I had, and in return I began to accumulate nicer items, one piece at a time. As my faith in the law of seedtime and harvest grew, so did my giving. There were times when Jerry would leave town to preach, and when he returned he'd find our family room emptied of furniture. I'd given it all to some family who had nothing. But God was always faithful to fill the room again for me, each time with nicer things than before. This is how God's kingdom works.

Seed Produces After Its Own Kind

I enjoy working in my garden. I know that if I want tomatoes, I must plant tomato seed. If I want watermelons, I must plant watermelon seed. If I want flowers, I must plant the right kind of seed. God established this principal in the beginning when He said, *Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after its kind* (Genesis 1:11 KJV). Every seed produces after its own kind.

My experience in sowing and reaping furniture taught me that I could plant seed for anything

I wanted. I'd find someone who needed the same thing I needed, and then I'd sow the particular item into their life. If I sowed a financial seed for something I was believing for, I would name that seed according to the harvest I expected: furniture, clothing, appliances, or a new car. I did so because I understood that every seed produces after its own kind.

Jesus said, *"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"* (Luke 6:38). I thank God that Jerry and I learned early in our marriage how to live through our sowing. Everything we have today, in both our personal life and our ministry, we received by living according to the law of seedtime and harvest.

We taught our daughters this law when they were children. They learned to sow their clothes when they needed clothes, and when it was cold they sowed their coats to children who needed them. As a mother, it was so exciting to watch the law of seedtime and harvest become revelation to our girls.

Now, as adults, every time they have a need they sow a seed. My daughters have giving hearts.

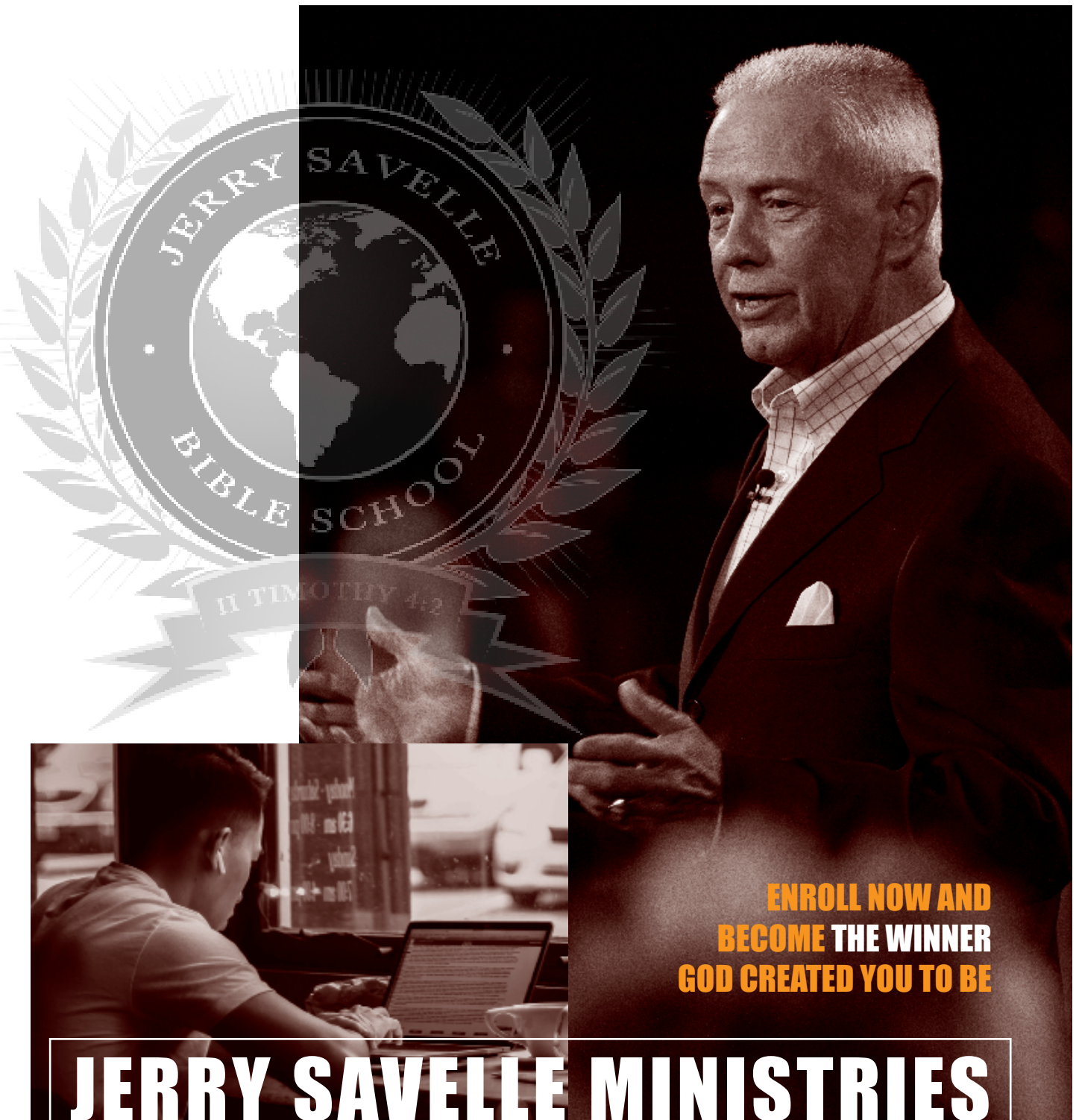
I believe the Lord wants each of us to have this kind of heart. After all, a giving heart is really God's heart. He gave the very best seed He had: the seed of His Son, Jesus Christ, whose death, burial, and resurrection has since produced an abundant harvest of millions upon millions of believers.

As the Scripture says, every seed produces after its own kind!



CAROLYN SAVELLE

Heard the voice of God calling her into ministry at the age of eight. Her teachings have blessed thousands and made a profound impact on the lives of people throughout the world. Get more information about her and her ministry at WWW.JERRYSAVELLE.ORG

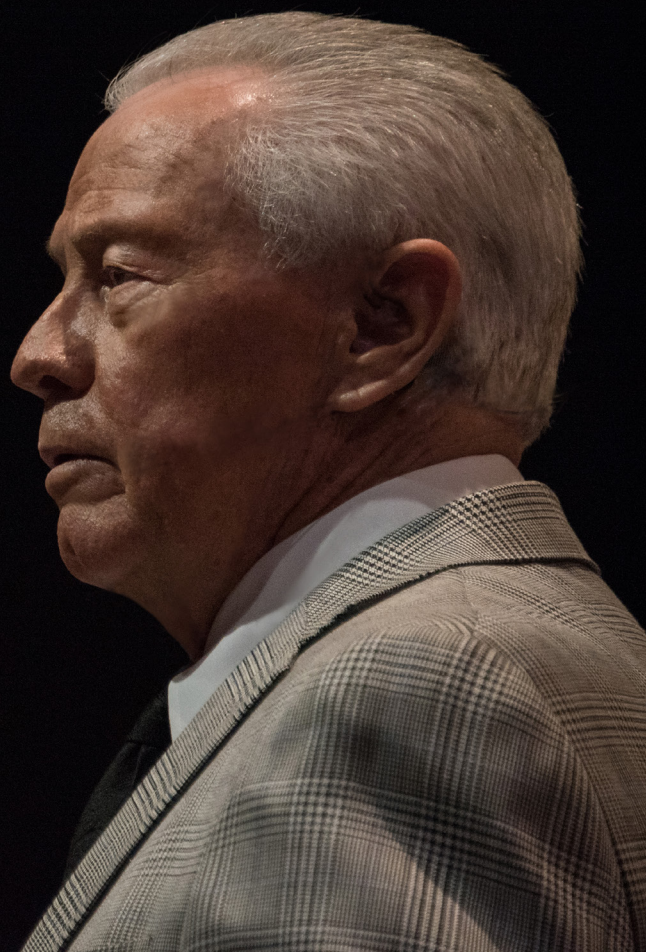


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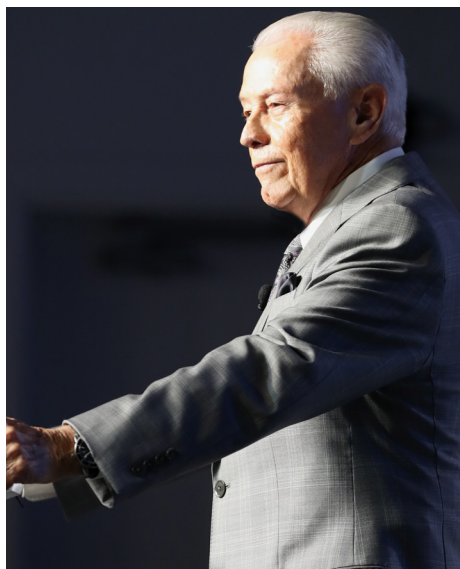
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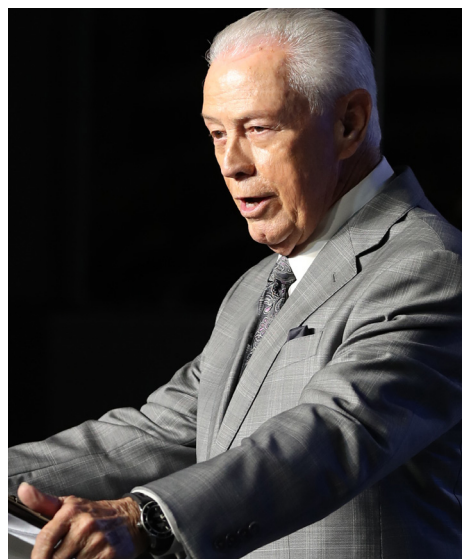
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Those who live by faith know it is God's will that we increase in every area of life and in everything we do. We also understand how speaking the Word of God, tithing, sowing, and giving are directly related to increase—spirit, soul, and body, as well as in the natural.

Another way we bring God's increase into manifestation is through what I refer to as "the law of increase by association." I discovered this biblical law nearly fifty years ago, and it's been working in my behalf ever since. We find this amazing law in Proverbs 13:20: He who walks with wise men will be wise, but the companion of fools will be destroyed.

The word *walks* in this verse doesn't refer to the act of moving about on foot; it is a reference to the pursuit of a course of life. In other words, if we walk with wise men—if we follow their example, listen to what they say, follow the principles they follow—we will increase in wisdom.

The law of increase by association is not applicable solely to wisdom. If we walk with prosperous men, our level of prosperity will increase. If we walk with anointed men, we'll increase in the anointing.

The Bible instructs us to follow those who, through faith and patience, inherit the promises (see Hebrews 6:12). I learned long ago that I didn't need to have a personal relationship with someone so that I could follow, or associate, with them. It's possible to pursue an individual's course of life without ever having met him or her.

When I was a new believer, I listened to Kenneth Copeland's messages on tape and read books by Oral Roberts and Kenneth Hagin. These great men of faith imparted their faith to me as I listened to them and read about their individual courses of life. I walked with Brothers Co-

peland, Roberts, and Hagin before I ever met one of them.

My other mentor was T.L. Osborn. Through his many resources I began to walk with him too before we met. When we study an individual's course of life, and then learn to walk in it as they do, we will increase just as they have increased.

The apostle Paul said, *Therefore I urge you, imitate me* (1 Corinthians 4:16). The King James Version says, *be ye followers of me*, and The Living Bible says, *So I beg you to follow my example and do as I do*. Paul was referring to the principles he'd applied in his life. He wanted others to follow those principles, to follow the life of faith. To follow the course of Paul's life, those believers had to not only be familiar with his teachings, they also had to adhere to them.

A lot of people came into the Word of Faith at the same time I did many years ago, yet some are no longer following this course of life. Some preachers who let it go have told me, "I'm preaching something else now." I can't even imagine letting the Word of Faith go and preaching something else. When we adhere to a message and a course of life that produces healing, deliverance, blessing, and favor, we need to stick with it. In other words—as we say in the South—you dance with the one who brung you!

I've been dancing with the Word of Faith for over fifty years now. I found a good thing and I'm going to stick with it.

Be Careful of Associations

With whom we associate with has everything to do with how our lives turn out. My best friends are not losers or quitters; they are men and women of faith.

I run with the right crowd, with people who believe all things are pos-

sible. I don't spend time with people who try to talk me out of my faith; I hang out with those who have proven that faith works.

Carolyn and I made a conscious decision to follow the course of life of wise men and women and, as a result of our doing so, we've been debt free for many years. We don't owe anything on our home, our automobiles, our ministry, our airplane, or our buildings. I could not say this had we not chosen to walk with those who are wise.

When I chose to walk with wise men, I increased in wisdom. When I chose to walk with anointed men, I increased in anointing. When I chose to walk with people who were prospering by God's laws, doing so increased my level of prosperity. If the law of increase by association will work for me, it will work for anyone.

I like the way Proverbs 13:20 reads in The Message: *hang out with fools and watch your life fall to pieces*. The Good News translation says, *If you make friends with stupid people, you will be ruined*. The apostle Paul said, *Evil companionships (communication, associations) corrupt and deprave good manners and morals and character* (1 Corinthians 15:33 AMP).

Brother Kenneth Hagin used to say, "Be careful who you run with because you can imbibe their spirit." To *imbibe* means "to take on; to absorb." This is why it's important we take great care in choosing with whom we associate. We want to imbibe the spirit of those who are faithful, loyal, and don't turn back from God's Word and their faith.

The Bible says, *But we are not of those who draw back* (Hebrews 10:39). We each have to make our own decision and say, "I'm not one of those who turns back. If others fall into sin, I'm not going that way. I'm going to keep my life pure. I'm go-

ing to follow Jesus and adhere to His Word. I'm not going to follow the example of those who draw back."

Old Testament Associations

We see the law of increase by association operating throughout the Bible, beginning in the Old Testament. One example is the relationship between Moses and Joshua. *And the Lord said to Moses, Take thee Joshua the son of Nun, a man in whom is the spirit, and lay thine hand upon him; And thou shalt put some of thine honour upon him, that all the congregation of the children of Israel may be obedient* (Numbers 27:18, 20 KJV). The same honor that was on Moses came upon Joshua because of their association. But honor was not all that came upon Joshua.

Now Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him; so the children of Israel heeded him, and did as the Lord had commanded Moses (Deuteronomy 34:9). The law of increase by association was in operation because of Joshua's association with Moses. The same anointing on Moses came upon Joshua. The same spirit of wisdom on Moses came upon Joshua. We can see that Joshua imbibed of the same spirit that was upon Moses.

The association between the prophet Elijah and the young Elisha began with a choice Elisha made: *So [Elijah] departed from there, and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen ... Then Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle on him. Then [Elisha] arose and followed Elijah, and became his servant* (1 Kings 19:19, 21). Elisha chose to associate with the prophet Elijah, and remained with him until

Elijah ascended to heaven.

And so it was, when they had crossed over, that Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask! What may I do for you, before I am taken away from you?"

Elisha said, "Please let a double portion of your spirit be upon me."

So he said, "You have asked a hard thing. Nevertheless, if you see me when I am taken from you, it shall be so for you; but if not, it shall not be so." Then it happened, as they continued on and talked, that suddenly a chariot of fire appeared with horses of fire, and separated the two of them; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven.

And Elisha saw it, and he cried out, "My father, my father, the chariot of Israel and its horsemen!"

He also took up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood by the bank of the Jordan.

Then he took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen on him, and struck the water ... And when he also had struck the water, it was divided this way and that; and Elisha crossed over.

Now when the sons of the prophets who were from Jericho saw him, they said, "The spirit of Elijah rests on Elisha" (2 Kings 2: 9-13, 15).

It seems the first thing Elisha wanted to know was if Elijah's anointing was indeed now upon him as his mentor had said it would be. So he walked over and struck the water, which parted for him just as it had for Elijah. Elisha's association with Elijah brought about a double portion of anointing in his life—I'd call that supernatural increase!

Appropriating the Law of Increase by Association

I learned years ago that appropriating the law of increase by association began for me when I chose to walk

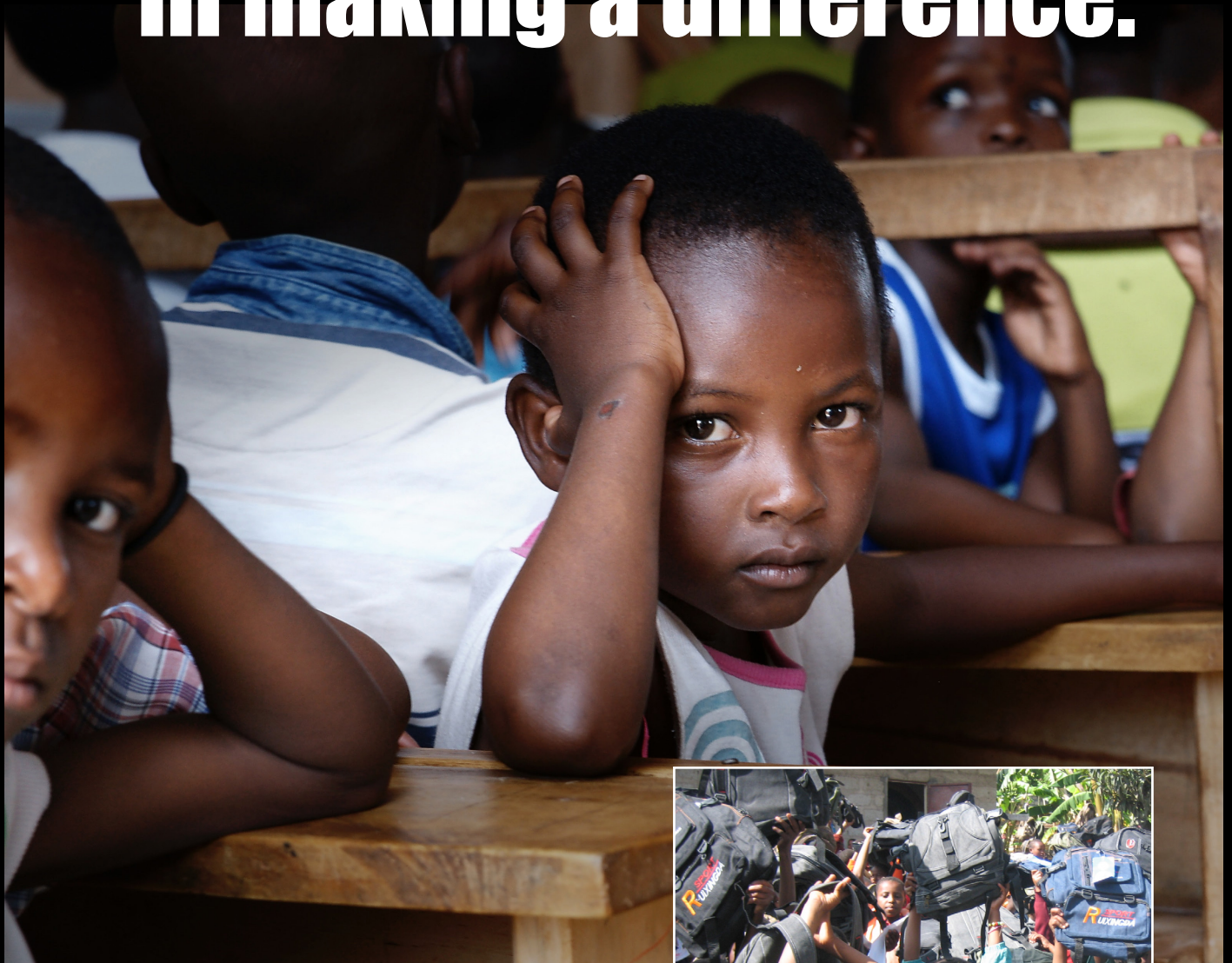
with those whose lives and ministries exemplified the characteristics and fruit I wanted in my own life and ministry.

Though I'd not yet met Kenneth Hagin, Oral Roberts, Kenneth Copeland, or T.L. Osborn, I followed the course of their lives through their books and teaching materials. As I chose to pattern my life and faith after theirs, I began to experience increase in wisdom, anointing, and prosperity. Each of these men eventually mentored me; each was my friend, and I was a partner to each ministry. The same spirit of increase and anointing on Oral Roberts and Kenneth Copeland came on me. The same spirit of faith on Kenneth Hagin came on me, and the same spirit of world evangelism on T.L. Osborn came on me.

When we sow into a ministry or become a partner, we appropriate the law of increase by association. I have faithful partners who've sown into Jerry Savelle Ministries International for years though they've never actually met me. Perhaps you are one such partner. If so, I want to tell you the same spirit of increase on this ministry is also upon you, for the apostle Paul said ye are all partakers of my grace (Philippians 1:7 KJV). The Living Letters translation says, *You shared together with me in the blessings of God.*

I encourage you to not only adhere to what you've been taught from the Word of God, but also to pursue the same course of life as those who've taught you. When you set into motion the law of increase by association, you'll experience the same results that now occur in the lives of those you choose to pursue.

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The word of the Lord delivered through Dr. Saville for 2020 is, "In 2020 I will open a new door, and I will cause My faithful ones to experience supernatural increase as never before."

ERIC DEATON



The Merriam-Webster Dictionary defines increase as “to become progressively greater in size, amount, number or intensity.” We see this principle in the Word of God in Isaac’s life: *The man began to prosper, and continued prospering until he became very prosperous* (Genesis 26:13). Notice the progressive increase in Isaac’s life, as detailed in the following three steps:

STEP 1

Isaac first began to prosper. So that he could begin to prosper, he was obedient to stay where God told him to stay and sow where God told him to sow. To “sow the land” means Isaac went to work. Deuteronomy 28:8 says, “The Lord will command the blessing on you in your storehouses and in all to which you set your hand, and He will bless you in the land which the Lord your God is giving you.” The New Living Translation says it this way: “The Lord will guarantee a blessing on everything you do...” Wow! Can you imagine going to a place of business knowing the Lord is going to guarantee to bless you through your work? Instead of singing the Monday blues, we should be saying, “Monday, let’s go-o-o-o!”

STEP 2

Isaac continued to prosper. For us to continue to prosper, we must not forget how and why we first began to prosper. The Bible says, “And you shall remember the Lord your God, for it is He who gives you power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day” (Deuteronomy 8:18). We continue to do the things we know to do and the things God says to do, and we believe for increase. We tithe, we sow, and we go to work knowing, trusting, and believing God that the blessing is empowering us to prosper and the favor of God is giving us opportunities to do so.

STEP 3

Isaac became very prosperous. To become very prosperous, we must never quit. Proverbs 24:10 says, *If you faint in the day of adversity, your strength is small. We must stay faithful to God and His Word. Adversity will come. The devil doesn’t want God’s people to have money because we know what to do with it: we give it to the kingdom! We can do some serious damage to the kingdom of darkness through our giving. God is looking for Christians who will finance the end-time harvest of souls through the preaching of the gospel of Jesus Christ. So, when adversity comes, don’t quit trusting God and don’t quit sowing. Rise up, believer, and don’t quit!*



ERIC DEATON

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Let me share five basic Bible principles that I have applied in business, which helped me to prosper, to continue to prosper, and have made me very prosperous.

1. GIVE. According to Luke 6:38, giving is the way of the kingdom of God to bring increase into any area of life. My wife, Nikki, and I purpose to tithe and give, both personally and through the business. God does not separate us from our business.

Years ago we had been giving personally and out of our business to help send our pastor overseas. Each time he came back from a trip he told of all the miracles that took place. Hearing about the miracles was great, but then Nikki and I got a chance to go overseas with him and witness them first hand. In one service numerous people were born again, a deaf ear opened, and a girl who walked with a cane, dragging her leg behind, was healed and walked out of there normally. Praise God!

I wondered afterward how much that girl would have given to be able to walk normally. After all, the woman with the issue of blood spent all she had trying to get healed. If it were your child who needed healing, how much would you give? Can you really put a price on health—or on a person's soul?

I realized at that moment the money we'd given was advancing God's kingdom and destroying the enemy's. Through giving money we had a part in changing people's lives for all eternity. Think about that. There is nothing better I would want my money to do, and, needless to say, our business always prospered so that we always had enough to give and support kingdom work (see 2 Corinthians 9:8).

2. PRAY AND LISTEN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT. One morning as I was praying in the Holy Spirit, He told me to change my plans for the day. He instructed me to go see a different client than the one I'd planned to see. I obeyed, though this particular client was located an hour out of my way. When I arrived I found out a competitor had just been there trying to undercut me and making false promises. I was able to calm the situation and keep the business, which has since produced tens of thousands of dollars of business.

The Holy Spirit is our Helper; He will lead us to the right place at the right time. He should be the CEO of every Christian's business.

3. FOLLOW THE GOLDEN RULE. Jesus' words in Matthew 12 are known as the Golden Rule: "Therefore, whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them." What a great rule for business. We are not to look at clients for what they can do for us, but what we can do for them. Similarly, we are to show no partiality; rather, we are to treat every client as if they are our best client—for one day they may be.

4. CHASE GOD, NOT MONEY. How does this apply to business? Isn't business about making money? According to Jesus, motive matters: "But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you" (Matthew 6:33).

When I finally said, "Lord, I'm done chasing money. I give you my business and me," it was as if God said, "Finally." My decision to stop chasing money didn't mean I no longer went to work; it just meant the things of God would now come first in my life.

I wanted to serve God in my church

and help my pastor fulfill his mandate any way I could. I remember telling a company I worked for that I would no longer meet on Sundays. "Sunday is the Lord's day," I told them—at the risk of being reprimanded or fired. Well, they listened; there were no more Sunday meetings.

Jesus is saying in Matthew 6 that we need to focus on kingdom business, and He will take care of us. No worries. No anxiety. God's got this. And when God became my priority, money started chasing me. What once was toil became easy. God knows what the business has need of, even before we ask.

5. SPEAK THE WORD. We must find scripture verses in the Word that deal with finances, abundance, and increase, and then get those coming out of our mouths. The Bible says, *The Lord has been mindful of us; He will bless us... May the Lord give you increase more and more, you and your children* (Psalm 115: 12, 14).

The Word of God is alive and powerful. The Word can change any circumstance. Let's renew our minds to the Word of God and appropriate what is already ours.

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