(Expanded with Theological Foundations and Bible References)

Blessed be the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Welcome to this study of the Holy Scriptures—the eternal Word of God.

Today we will examine three foundational principles which, if corrected and embraced, will open the way for God’s favor and stability in your financial life. These principles are deeply rooted in Scripture and God’s divine order for His people.

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1. Be Faithful To God

The first and greatest key to any form of prosperity—spiritual or material—is faithfulness to God.

A. The Fear of the Lord Is Foundational to Blessing

> *Proverbs 3:7–8 (ESV)*
> “Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD, and turn away from evil.
> It will be healing to your flesh and refreshment to your

> bones.”

The fear of the Lord is not terror but reverence, obedience, and devotion. It means living a life that reflects His holiness and shines with His character.

B. God Blesses Us So We Can Advance His Kingdom

Many believers forget that God blesses us not only for our comfort but for Kingdom advancement.

Jesus said:

> *Matthew 5:14–16 (NKJV)*
> “You are the light of the world… Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.”

Your business, job, or daily work becomes a platform for evangelism. God sends people your way not only to bless your income but so that, through your character and testimony, they

may see Christ.

C. God Withholds Opportunities When Character Is Corrupt

If your life is filled with sin—adultery, dishonesty, drunkenness, slander, profanity—God will not entrust His children to you.

God protects His flock:

> *Psalm 23:3 (NIV)*
> “He guides me along the right paths for His name’s sake.”

God will not guide His children into danger, temptation, or unholy influence.
So instead of sending customers, opportunities, or helpers to you, He redirects them to people whose lives reflect His character.

This is why some believers think they are bewitched, when in truth, it is their unfaithfulness that has closed the financial doors.

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2. Be Faithful In The Work You Do

God’s character reveals that He is excellent, righteous, and just. He expects the same from His children.

A. God Gives Good Things — Never Harmful Things

Jesus asked a profound question:

> *Matthew 7:9–11 (ESV)*
> “Which one of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? … If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts… how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!”

God will not lead people to consume spoiled, expired, or dishonest goods.
To do so would contradict His holy nature.

B. Excellence Is a Biblical Requirement

Poor service, dishonesty, laziness, and negligence close financial

doors.

> *Colossians 3:23–24 (NKJV)*
> “Whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men… for you serve the Lord Christ.”

Your work is worship.
Your business is a ministry.
Your labor is an offering to God.

C. God Cannot Bless a Thief

Faithfulness also includes your giving.

> *Malachi 3:8–10 (KJV)*
> “Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed Me… in tithes and offerings… Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse… and prove Me now herewith… if I will not open the windows of heaven…”

Tithing is not merely giving; it is acknowledging God as the source and sustainer of our lives.

God promises overflow only after obedience.

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3. Improve Your Work And Your Skills

Many believers pray for financial breakthrough while neglecting the biblical requirement of growth and diligence.

A. God Himself Models Growth and Improvement

Even in creation, God demonstrated ongoing improvement:

> *Genesis 2:18 (NIV)*
> “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him.”

This shows that continuous improvement reflects God’s nature.

B. Skill Development Is Scriptural

God filled His servants with skill:

> *Exodus 31:3–5 (ESV)*
> “And I have filled him with the Spirit of God, with ability and intelligence, with knowledge and all craftsmanship...”

If God equips His servants with skill, then you must also develop the skills He has given you.

C. Diligence Brings Prosperity

The Bible repeatedly connects diligence with abundance:

> *Proverbs 10:4 (NKJV)*
> “He who has a slack hand becomes poor, but the hand of the diligent makes rich.”
>
> *Proverbs 22:29 (ESV)*
> “Do you see a man skillful in his work? He will stand before

> kings…"

Improving your work is not optional; it is a biblical mandate for prosperity.

The True Root Of Financial Failure: Sin, Not Witchcraft

Many Christians are quick to blame witchcraft.
But Scripture teaches that the primary weapon Satan uses is sin.

A. Sin Blocks God's Blessing

> *Isaiah 59:1–2 (NIV)*
> "Your iniquities have separated you from your God… so that He will not hear."

Sin shuts doors faster than any demonic attack.

B. Satan Cannot Touch a Righteous Person

> *1 John 5:18 (NKJV)*
> “...he who has been born of God keeps himself, and the wicked one does not touch him.”

If you separate yourself from sin, satanic attacks lose their power.

The Essential Question

- Are you faithful to God?
- Are you faithful in your work?
- Are you separated from sin?

These determine whether heaven opens its doors over your finances.

The Only Way To Overcome Sin: Jesus Christ

You cannot overcome sin by human effort.
Victory comes only through Christ.

> *John 1:12 (KJV)*
> “But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God…”
>
> *Romans 6:14 (ESV)*
> “For sin will have no dominion over you…”

When you believe in Christ and obey Him through baptism, the Holy Spirit enters your life and gives you the supernatural ability to conquer sin.

Transformation follows:

- The alcohol you couldn’t quit becomes easy to walk away from.

- Sexual sin loses its grip.
- Filthy language disappears.
- Your character becomes a testimony.
- Your work becomes excellent.
- God begins to trust you with people, opportunities, and wealth.

**May The Lord Bless You.

Maranatha—The Lord is coming!**

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