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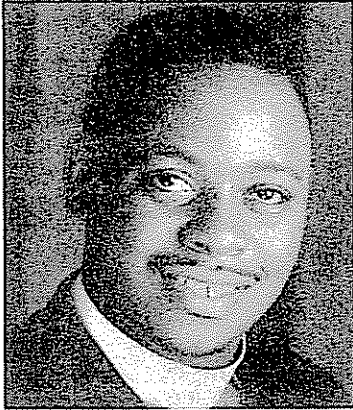
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Zoe Ministries was founded in February 1983 by Bishop E. Bernard Jordan in Westfield, New Jersey with 60 people in attendance. A thriving prophetic church with a vision to impact the world with the gospel, Zoe continued to develop the facets of ministry under Bishop Jordan's leadership that marked it as a church in pursuit of destiny; called to fulfill the will of the Lord. In 1990, Zoe Ministries became a part of The Pilgrim Assemblies, under the oversight of Bishop Roy Brown. Bishop Jordan was named as District Elder of Pilgrim Assemblies, and in 1994, he was consecrated as a cabinet Bishop to Bishop Roy Brown and Pilgrim Assemblies.

Zoe Ministries touches thousands, both nationally and internationally. Noted primarily for his prophetic ministry

and revelatory teaching, he established the School of the Prophets in 1987. The School is specifically geared towards those who are called to function in prophetic ministry, yet is an invaluable source of ministerial ethics that are applicable to any office of ministry.

Noted for the uncanny accuracy of the prophecies that he ministers, businessmen, political officials, celebrities, and churches are numbered among the thousands who have consulted Bishop Jordan for counsel and direction through the Word of the Lord.

Bishop Jordan and Zoe Ministries were awarded proclamations of recognition from Governor Mario Cuomo, Governor of New York, and Mayor David Dinkins, former Mayor of New York, for outstanding leadership and community service for establishing OPERATION: HOPE, designed especially to feed the homeless community in New York. At the feeding of the homeless mothers and their children for Mother's Day 1993, Zoe Ministries forged a relationship with the New York State Correction Commission to help develop and guide the lives of young women assigned to Riker's Island's Stepsister Program.

He has traveled to Swaziland,

South Africa, and delivered the Word of the Lord to the Queen and the Royal Family. He has prophesied in many nations, including Germany, Canada, Korea and the Caribbean. In February 1988, he was invited to address a special assembly of ambassadors and diplomats at the United Nations concerning the oppressive racism in South Africa. He addressed the assembly again in February 1992, and prophesied of the impending liberation of South Africa which has come to pass.

Bishop Jordan has been featured on various telecasts recognizing his outstanding commitment and service. He was recently featured in The Daily News, The New York Post and New York Newsday with some of his congregants as well as in an interview with Billboard Magazine on his views concerning social issues.

As an author, Bishop Jordan has written 19 books, earned his doctorate in Religious Studies in December 31, 1991, and on May 8, 1993, earned his Ph.D in Philosophy of Religious Studies. He and his beautiful wife, Prophetess Debra, are the proud parents of five children, Naomi, Bethany, Joshua, Aaron, and Manesseh. Their vision of liberation shall shake the nations of the earth!



# A Call to Partners

Bishop E. Bernard Jordan

Prophetic Principle  
# 1

***"My man  
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*Since this book is primarily aimed at leaders, it is important to deal with the aspects of partnership, for they are a crucial component of any successful ministry.*

Luke 5:1-11 states, "And it came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon Him to hear the word of God, He stood by the lake of Gennesaret. And saw two ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing their nets."

Bishop George Lee made a profound statement. He said that people should say, "My man of God answers all of my prayers." My wife listened to that and made the observation, that if all of your members of your church echoed that and told everyone they knew that their man of God answers all their prayers, there would be no room to contain the people. I believe that what God is trying to do is bring us to an understanding of the science of building churches.

There is a science to the attraction of crowds. People come to hear something; They come to receive something. People pressed upon Jesus to hear the Word of God. When people come to church, they want to hear the Word of the Lord. They want answers to their problems. The widow woman, as we begin to discover, and which was so eloquently stated in II Kings 4, cried unto the prophet, and



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**Prophetic Principle  
# 2**

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then he pointed her to the provision. Can I tell you that a prophet equals provision? When God has called you to be the pastor of a local church, you are the prophet assigned to that people. You are the mouth of God to those groups of individuals to which God has sent you. It is your job, as the mouth of God, to point them to the provision. Provision is usually right within their reach. The provision is always within your hand.

The prophet asked the woman, "What have I to do with thee?" In other words, he asked, "Why are you crying unto me?" Her need began to answer, "I came to you because I need answers." Then he points to her and asks, "What is in your house?" It is your job, as the mouthpiece of the Lord, to help people discover the hidden wealth that is in their midst.

Verse 3 "And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land. And he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship."

Jesus called disciples that had some substance. Peter had his own ride. You didn't own a ship unless you owned some substance. You had to be rich. How many of you can give me a ride on your yacht? See? You've got to have substance! Jesus climbed in Peter's ride and taught the people. Because Peter became a partner in Jesus' ministry, he benefited from the partnership. When people are connected with you, they can benefit from the relationship, for miracles are in your mouth. You've got to let your people know that they are blessed because the word of the Lord is in your mouth. You will decree a thing and it will be established.

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## **Prophetic Principle # 3**

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Verse 4, *Now when he had left speaking, He said unto Simon, Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught.*

When God has raised you up as a leader in the house of the Lord, understand that whoever God connects you with will not move in the realms of true mentorship just while the sermons are being preached. The teacher teaches the multitudes, and it is in the times of solitude that intense teaching takes place.

True leaders in the House of the Lord are not dismissed with the benediction. Their benediction is when their mentor closes their eyes or shuts the door and says "Good night." Their benediction may be at 3:00 a.m., though the service was over at 9:30 p.m. Those that I am discipling are used to getting their benediction at 4:30 in the morning. Those that travel on the road with me know that it is a sin for them to sleep before I do.

They've been called to watch me. They can watch me sleep, but I should never watch them sleep. Jesus asked His disciples, "Can you tarry with me for one hour?" You cannot know the word "tired" around me, for if you do, you cannot walk with me. I burn the candle on two ends. I come alive at midnight. I'm alive, I'm ready to go, and revelation flows. As a matter of fact, midnight is considered the Mystic's Hour.

I'm going to say some things that will be a little intense, but you'll be able to handle it. Make sure you understand in the spirit that I'm saying it, or else you will go off into witchcraft. There's only one spirit realm, and either you tap it

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## **Prophetic Principle # 4**

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legally or illegally. Pastors, most of your prayer work should be done while your members are asleep. I don't preach my sermon when I get in the pulpit, because I preached it at 1:00 a.m. I was preaching it to the subconscious minds of all those that were ordained to hear that message.

When you are asleep, your conscious mind goes to sleep, and your subconscious awakens and becomes receptive. Pastors, learn to speak to the deepest part of your people. Understand the principle. It is not a secret that when many people are sleeping, witches are praying against the leaders of the Church. Jesus often went up into the mountains to pray after He had ministered to the multitudes. There are some things that need to be done in silence in the night season. It is in prayer and intercession that you will do the works of God.

And when you begin to meet them in the morning, that thing that you prayed about has already been done. You've already communicated what needed to be communicated. You already decreed what needed to be decreed. You've already dealt with the princes that opposed their situation. It takes a prince to deal with another prince.

I'm going to say something that will shake up your apple cart, pastors. Stop letting people pray for you that don't qualify to be your intercessor. An intercessor must be an individual that is at the same state or above you that can take your place. A member cannot intercede for a pastor. They can't take your place. The reason why some of you pastors are having hell in your life is because you have individuals that are interceding for you, but the only thing they can give

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## **Prophetic Principle # 5**

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birth to is their own level of consciousness. They can only give birth to what they are. They end up producing hell in you because hell is in them. Let's face it, you've given some people license to drive in your life.

You need to suspend and revoke their license so that you can get your sanity and your church back! OOPS! I just fired your intercessors! I taught intercession for years, but I just got this illumination this year. The Holy Ghost spoke to me and said, "Stop letting folks drive and park in your life. Qualify those that pray for you." There's a lot of individuals that come to me saying, "The Lord has told me to intercede." I just look at them and smile. I don't even try to correct their mindset, and then if I know that they're praying, I'll just block that in Jesus' Name, because they don't qualify.

How can you stand in the gap for me if you're in an apartment and I'm trying to believe for millions? The only thing you can see for me is maybe five hundred dollars a week! I need thirty thousand per Sunday, so you can't see for me. Jesus said, "Love thy neighbor as thyself." So therefore, you can only love me to the degree that you love yourself. What you cannot see for yourself can never be seen for me.

As the pastor, you intercede for them and stand in the gap, because you can see further than they can. For those of you that have just been fired as intercessors, don't despair. Just say, "Lord, help me to become the echo of the man of God. Help me to get the vision of this house. Help me to get the spirit of what the leader is saying, that I may begin to walk in his image and after his likeness."



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**Prophetic Principle  
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Verse 5, *And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night.*

Have you noticed that Jesus, as our example, never asked His twelve disciples to intercede for Him because He had to go to Calvary? Many of you have given people license to illegally produce things in your life, and they have become quite successful at it. My wealth did not begin coming until I stopped people from praying for me. Let's understand our functional roles. It is my job to take care of spiritual work, and it is their job to bring the carnal things.

People are assigned to a ministry for the purpose of giving money. As Paul said in 1 Corinthians 9:11, we are to minister unto you spiritual things and you are to bring back your carnal things. Those that are assigned to sit under a pastor are not supposed to simply sow a tongue or an interpretation or a revelation that they've had. That is not their function. Their function is to bring their substance, and it is the leader's function to bring forth the spiritual. Many pastors have had it all backwards. The people have been bringing you the spiritual things, and you've been giving them their rent money! No, it is not the man of God's job to pull substance out of their pockets for those to whom they minister. See? We've had it backwards.

The mission of a partnership involves seeing. You must see a people that have a need to hear the Word. The first thing that needs adjustment is the sight. People have got to be able to see your vision, and you have to be able to articulate it so they can.



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## **Prophetic Principle # 7**

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You may ask, "Well, what about those that are in the house that may have prophetic gifts?" Can I tell you that they should be echoing what God is saying to you and through you? Their prophetic word should always flow in alignment with your vision.

Partnership also demands the art of seizing resources. When Jesus went to get Peter, He not only adjusted his sight by commanding Peter to launch out into the deep, but in the process, Jesus also seized his resources. This brings us to another principle. The mentor has got to push his protégé to the edge. The protégé must know how to discern a difference between a test and a command.

There was an individual that stood as a protégé in the ministry that began their process of servanthood quite successfully. But then an incident occurred that required the corrective sting of a rebuke. Their attitude soured, and I had to tell them to depart. The entire cycle could have been prevented if they understood the difference between a test and a command.

Elijah told Elisha to stay at several points of their travel, but Elisha kept his focus and said, "I will not leave thee." Elisha followed Elijah to the next step. Elijah got the blessing by what appeared to be disobedience, but that truth is not fact. Truth is destiny and purpose. Naomi told Ruth to leave, but Ruth latched on to destiny and purpose.

Because my protégé lacked discernment, he went through a cycle of tail spins and ethical delusions that forced me to lift my blessing from his life. I had to release him to

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## **Prophetic Principle # 8**

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the judgment of his actions, in the hope that judgment will effect the necessary repentance in his heart. It is dangerous to walk close to the anointing and not discern what you're walking close to.

Pastors, you've got to remove reluctant obedience from your staff. In other words, when a command is given to a protégé' to press or launch out into the deep, the proper response for the protégé is to do it in faith, though it doesn't make sense. You'll have individuals that will question every move you make. Their pet phrase will be, "I don't understand it!" Well, they're not supposed to! They are to walk by faith, and whatever is not of faith is sin. I don't understand ninety percent of what God tells me to do.

Judas always questioned Jesus. Judas questions what you do with the money. Judas' reasonings center around what you should have done. "You know we should have taken this and given it to the poor." Jesus began to make a profound statement. He said, "The poor you will have with you always." You want to know why? Not because God designed poverty as a way of life, but because there will always be lazy and unproductive individuals.

Pastors, you've got to train the people to "Just do it!" There's got to be a demonstration of Godly power displayed before their eyes. There's got to be the stirring up of a deep confession. Men must be challenged to the crucible of discipleship, for their role is to catch other men. We are called to be fishers of men. When you fish for men, you need to qualify what you're fishing for. Don't fish for the inedible and indigestible fish.

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## **Prophetic Principle # 9**

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If you're fishing for goldfish, you just pull a common worm out of a back yard. But when you go deep sea fishing, you have to get another kind of bait that's more costly. Can I say to you that some pastors are using common things and trying to fish for quality? It's important to check your bait. Remember, the Queen of Sheba is neither male nor female, but it's a spirit with an attitude. "Sheba" is an individual with substance and wealth. What they see determines what they leave. If you do not package for success, you'll never have success. You're going to have to fake it until you make it.

You're going to have to fix up those raggedy ceilings in your church! If your pews are raggedy, tell the church, "We're buying new chairs." Don't accept 'no' for an answer. The resources are sitting in your congregation. Money is sitting right there in your people. People never tell you what they have. Whatever vision God has given you, whatever you need is right within reach. But its up to you to get it. Whatever you need at this moment, and I don't care if you have just ten members and God has given you a million dollar vision, those ten people have the million dollars in their midst. The problem is getting you to see it!

During a particular conference, something went contrary to the way I wanted it to go. Although my staff is diligent and faithful, this particular time they really missed the mark. But one principle key is that the problem is never in the bow or the arrow, but the problem rests in the archer if his arrow does not hit the bull's eye. The problem was in me. I should have discerned it before the day of manifestation. I should have seen it while I was meditating. I should have seen it when I got into the Presence of God. I should have seen that



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## **Prophetic Principle # 10**

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something was wrong before I launched the arrow. The problem was not in them. Although their shaft may have been crooked, the problem was in me, because I did not straighten out the crook before I shot the arrow towards the target. When truth comes to a perverted mind, it will sound hard. A simple path becomes a complicated path to a perverted mindset.

That's why people have problems with money in your church. It's so simple to talk about tithing, but to the perverted mind tithing becomes quite complicated. To a mind that is in line with God, as in Acts 5, they can take their houses and land and fields and unhesitatingly lay them down at the apostle's feet.

To crooked arrows like Ananias and Sapphira that conspire something when Satan fills their heart, fulfilling responsibilities becomes a hard thing, and the corruption of their minds causes them to do something contrary to ethics. To a perverted mind, simple truths become complicated principles.

True partners can be discerned by these attributes:

- #1 They will press to hear the Word.
- #2 They crave for the Word.
- #3 They hunger after the Word.
- #4 They thirst for the Word.
- #5 They are desperate for the Word
- #6 They rearrange their schedule to get in the Presence of the Word.

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**Prophetic Principle  
# 11**

***Stop  
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Loyalty means, "I change my plans to meet the needs of the one that I'm called to serve." Whenever Zoe Ministries has a conference, the members are taught that it is their responsibility to be with the Body by any means necessary. Whenever we are doing something with the church, it is not a matter of prayer, but it's a command.

Now you have to understand that you'll have rebels. I tell those that flaunt their disobedience that when they are absent from this body, they are present with their lord. One of the greatest strong holds you're going to have to break from the necks of your people is the labor god. They need to be asked, "Who is your source, and who gave you that job?" Their minds need to be renewed.

Religious Jews are diligent about their observation of the Sabbath; they WILL NOT work on their Sabbath. Yet we, who purport to know the Truth and confess the Lordship of Jesus Christ, will work on Sundays without a second thought. We embrace the excuse, "We have to. My boss won't give me the time off."

What do you mean, "They won't give you?" The labor god will work you because his purpose is to get you out of worship. As a matter of fact, that labor god begins to scream every time we give our tithes and offerings. You master the labor god when you realize that matter doesn't matter. All thoughts are things. All of you need money, but you all don't want to spend money to get money. There's a science to living. Jesus said, "I come that you might have life, and that more abundantly. He didn't say, "I come that you might have church." We might as well admit that most of us are not expe-

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## **Prophetic Principle # 12**

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riencing the abundant life because we don't know the science of how to live. The bible says we perish for the lack of knowledge. Whatever area you are perishing in is the area in which you lack knowledge.

We talk so much about the devil and the anti-Christ. The devil can be summed up in one word--ignorance. The thief comes to steal, kill and destroy. In order to become economically empowered, I had to dig through years of study on money. I discovered that there are only two signs that you need to be concerned about. One is the Sign of the Cross, which is spiritual; and the other sign is the dollar sign! Jesus said, "No man can serve two masters." He told us to make friends with unrighteous mammon. Money is a master you've got to reckon with, but you've got to get him in its proper place. You're not to serve this master, but this master is to serve you. Many of you have never met your friend called "Money."

Remove that sign, and you can't operate or function in this earth realm. Many of you are magnets, but you've lost your magnetism. Studying about money will magnetize you. When we don't give ourselves to understanding money, we violate a law of reciprocity. Many of us rape money. We take, but we never replenish.

Learn to eliminate the word, "spend" out of your vocabulary. We do not "spend" money, but we circulate it.

Poverty is just wealth that is asleep. When something is asleep, all you have to do is send the right vibration to wake it up. When you sleep, there's either a noise or a feeling that

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**Prophetic Principle  
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***“Lord,  
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awakens you. The sleeping wealth in you is awaiting to be awakened. If you nudge wealth just a little bit, it will wake up and poverty will fall asleep.

Jesus knew how to awaken wealth in His disciples. One of them said, “We toiled all night, nevertheless at thy Word, I will let down the net.” Jesus told them to let down the nets, but only Peter let down the net. Wealth was asleep because of limited vision.

Some of you have been told to expand into national television, but you’re stuck on the local radio. You’ve been told to let down your nets, and you only release a net. If you’re going to do this business called “ministry,” and ministry is a business, you’re going to have to stop fishing with a hook, line and sinker. You’re going to have to buy a boat and a net! The tools are within your hand, and you’re going to have to learn how to cast those nets!

Answer your Divine commandment by saying, “Nevertheless, at thy Word. Nevertheless at thy rhema.” A “rhema” is a tailor-made word. It’s already made to fit you and only you! Whatever rhema God has given you is good enough! Let God be your Best Partner! You can go on the strength of His Word, and His Word will hold you up!



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# The Prophetic Offering

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Prophetic Principle  
# 14

***God  
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Matthew 10:40 states, *"He that receiveth you receiveth me, and he that receiveth me receiveth him that sent me."*

God is a God of Oneness. The prophet is the mouth of God. If you want to get God's immediate response, touch a prophet. Now, that can be either positive or negative, because how you touch them determines how God touches you.

Matthew 10:41 states, *"He that receiveth a prophet in the name of a prophet..."*

There are many individuals that get hung up on the prophetic offering or on prophetic giving. There was one man of God who said, "I do not like what Jordan is doing. He prophesies to individuals while they're giving offerings." I asked him if he was upset with the message or angry at the results. If there were no results, he would not have been upset. The widow at Zarephath couldn't get her miracle until she dealt with a prophet. How you treat the man of God in your midst will determine your blessing.

Matthew 10:41 continues *"... Shal receive a prophet's reward; and he that receiveth a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward."*

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# The Prophetic Offering

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**Prophetic Principle  
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I would like to look at the prophet's reward as his prophecy. Have you received the prophet's reward? Notice that there was a woman who built a chamber for the man of God. Then the man of God came to her and asked, "What do you need? Do you need to be known of men?" This infers that there's a level of the prophetic where the prophet can decree something which may not necessarily be the Word of the Lord, but may be your reward.

Elijah asked Elisha, "What do you want?" There is a gift or a service that can be rendered that can provoke the prophet to say, "What do you want?" And we, in the Pentecostal Church have missed something, because I believe that even when we depart we should leave a gift that yet speaketh. We talk to our members in our church about insurance and about what are they going to leave behind after they go on home to be with the Lord. Where is your gift that yet speaketh?

Poor people don't think generationally. A poor person only thinks for the immediate "now." Wealth is a mindset. People with wealth plan for future generations. They will look at a ministry like Zoe Ministries and say, "I must keep this alive in the earth, so I'm going to get a policy and leave a million dollars to that ministry so that my children and my children's children will have a place to feed, and so that the prophetic will stay alive from generation to generation."

Obedience produces miracles. There's a blessing that comes with obedience in giving the offering in a specified manner at the specified time. Whenever a person gave an offering of obedience in the Scripture, blessing occurred.

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# The Prophetic Offering

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

## **Prophetic Principle # 16**

***There is  
a gift or  
a service  
that can be  
rendered  
that can  
provoke  
the prophet  
to say,  
“What do  
you want?”***

Don't get hung up on the amount, because a thousand dollars to one person might be a widow's mite to someone else. There are some large offerings that are given in disobedience, and God won't even smile on it.

Giving is not measured by how much you give, but it's measured by how much you have left over after you've given. The Scripture indicates that Jesus sat over the treasury and watched what the people were giving. That's how He knew that the widow had given her last. There were many rich people giving in the temple, but the widow outgave them all. She gave all of her living.

Secret giving is only appropriate when you give to the poor. A religious mindset says, "I'm not into offering lines, and asking people to stand and declare what they're giving. I think that should be done in secret." No, the Bible says that you should give alms to the poor in secret.

A blessing can actually be considered a reward. When you give to the prophet, you will receive the prophet's reward. Now we begin to understand meeting the prophet. Many of you don't understand how to meet a prophet. You get the prophet's word, but you don't see the reward. Could it possibly be that there's some words hanging in the air that have not come to pass because you have not made the deposit into the prophet's life?

You might be offended right now. You may think that it is not necessary to give to a prophet; that the prophet should give his prophecies without thought of compensation. After all, it's the Word of the Lord, and Jesus said, "Freely have you

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# The Prophetic Offering

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Prophetic Principle  
# 17

*The  
prophet's  
reward  
is his  
prophecy!*

received, freely give." But can I educate you and tell you that there's a big difference between the words "free" and "freely?"

People pay big money to receive legal counsel, or medical counsel. But the church is the only institution on earth that wants to deny the laborer his wages. We want the man of God to see for us and pray for us, but we don't want him fed.

We'll draw from his cistern, but we will not make a deposit. How many of you are in your church where you may be faithful in giving to your church, but you won't give to the man? The widow at Zarephath did not give to Elijah's ministry, but she gave to his belly. And what she sowed in the man of God's belly determined what came into her mouth!

I Kings 17:2-4 states, *"And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying, Get thee hence, and turn thee eastward, and hide thyself by the brook Cherith, that is before Jordan. And it shall be, that thou shalt drink of the brook; and I have commanded the ravens to feed thee there."*

God used an unclean creature to sustain a Kosher prophet. He was not supposed to eat from the raven. But do you know that in this hour, God is bringing the wealth of the wicked to the hands of the righteous, and He is going to use unclean things to sustain the prophet.

I believe that we don't even understand the fullness of truth concerning people "getting saved." The Bible speaks of some people who had to give an offering in order to get saved. The rich young ruler asked Jesus, "What must I do to



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Prophetic Principle  
# 18

*People  
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generations.*

get eternal life?" He kept the commandments from his youth up and he was morally good. It's interesting that Jesus never said, "Repent of your sins and confess Me as your Lord and Saviour." Jesus answered the young ruler by saying, "Sell all that you have and give to the poor." Zachias wanted salvation, and he had to now go out and start giving in order to enter the Kingdom.

I am afraid that if The Catholic Church may have missed it, then we Pentecostal folks certainly have. We let individuals get saved in the Kingdom of God, whether they are drug dealers or Mafia or whatever, but I believe that we need to make private appointments with them, and say you have caused so much damage in the Kingdom that you must give x-amount.

We must begin to operate in the law of retribution. Prophecy to them and say, "The Word of the Lord to you is that I must put a church in the middle of a gay community and you will underwrite it and put the building there, because you must give me the finances to repair the damage that has been committed."

Absolution demands an offering. In observing the Catholic rulership, when a particular Philippine leader's wife desired absolution, she had to bring an offering before forgiveness was extended to her. We don't understand that in our circle of church. We think money is unspiritual and that it has nothing to do with God and the Kingdom. Most of us subconsciously think that money is dirty, but it is a literal spiritual force. The hands that handle it determine whether it is righteous or unrighteous.

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## Prophetic Principle # 19

***Where  
is your  
gift that  
yet  
speaketh.***

1 Kings 17:6-8 states, *"And the ravens brought him bread and flesh in the morning, and bread and flesh in the evening; and he drank of the brook. And it came to pass after a while, that the brook dried up, because there had been no rain in the land. And the word of the LORD came unto him saying"...*

Notice that the brook dried up. God dries up the brook in the prophet's life to get a miracle into your life. Have you noticed that there's not a lot of conferences going on in New York City? Have you noticed that a lot of great men of God don't bring their campmeetings to New York City?

There is a reason, and the reason is not because God has-n't spoken. The reason is that a hotel ballroom will run you \$20,000 a day and the hotels don't blink their eyes when they tell you. Meals will run \$60.00 a plate. I believe that the Church is supposed to meet in elegance.

Jesus' lifestyle was quiet elegance. They cast lots for His garments, which were the Versaces of His day. When He got ready to go into Jerusalem, He didn't want a used car, but He said, "Get Me an ass which a man never sat on." He turned around and told a thief to hold the money bag, and you don't have a treasurer unless you have an excess of money. Jesus did not disciple poor folks. He preached the gospel to the poor, but disciplined the rich.

Notice that when miracles of healing occurred, and the recipient said, "Jesus, we want to follow you," He said, "No, go and start your public ministry. Go tell the testimony. I don't need you following Me right now." But when someone

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# The Prophetic Offering

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**Prophetic Principle  
# 20**

***When  
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prophet  
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reward.***

rich came into His Presence, He said, "Come follow Me. I will make you..."

Poor folks are not discipleship material. The problem with some of our churches is that we have preachers in the pulpit that are poor. Poor people look for immediate gratification. A person that is too hungry will devour anything...including you!

Mark 10:17-22 states, *"And when he was gone forth into the way, there came one running, and kneeled to him, and asked him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life? And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God. Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honour thy father and mother. And he answered and said unto him, Master, all these have I observed from my youth. Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, One thing thou lackest; go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven; and come, take up the cross, and follow me. And he was sad at that saying, and he went away grieved; for he had great possessions."*

There's some folks that are grieved over money, and that's because they don't have money, but money has them.

Mark 10:23, *"And Jesus looked round about, and saith unto his disciples, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God!"*

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**Prophetic Principle  
# 21**

***God dries  
up the  
brook in  
the prophet's  
life to get a  
miracle into  
your life.***

Mark 10:24 states, *"And the disciples were astonished at his words."*

When I first read this scripture I thought that meant rich people just can't get into the kingdom, until I begin to understand what Jesus was trying to make us to understand. But Jesus answereth again, and saith unto them, "Children, how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God! "

There are individuals that will not enter the Kingdom because of their trust in riches. Tithing is the minimum; you're not even blessed for tithing. As a matter of fact, tithing opens the windows of heaven and the offering determines how it flows. So, giving only starts at eleven percent, if we look at it that way.

Now, that's outer court revelation. According to the scriptures, Israel seemed to have given three tithes. That's why God says, "You've robbed Me in tithes and offerings." But we won't deal with that because some of you can't even give your ten percent. Can I tell you that some of you the reason there is no meat in the house where you worship is because there's no real tithe there? Nothing is in your storehouse, because the man of God has not been given enough substance to stay in the Presence of God and bake what needs to be baked for you of the meat of revelation.

As a matter of fact, when you begin to bring the tithes, God says, "Prove me now." God wants to open you, oh windows of heaven! "Heaven" means "heaved up." Heaven is not a suburb, but it's a city, it's a state, it's a realm. He wants



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## Prophetic Principle # 22

***God is  
bringing  
the wealth  
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righteous.***

to open you, the windows of heaven, and then He wants to pour you out. He wants to fill you with ideas and pour you out. A Hebrew commentary interprets this as, "I want to pour you out a blessing that your mouth will get tired of saying, Enough! Enough! Enough!"

Mark 10:25, *"It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of the needle."*

The eye of the needle is a gate going into Jerusalem. In order for the camel to go through the eye of the needle, he had to unload all of the baggage and go through naked. But he would pick up the baggage on the other side of the gate. The camel is willing to unload in order to get through the gate and to get into the city. Some of you have a problem unloading a hundred dollars or a thousand dollars. You've got to "pray" about it.

A camel doesn't pray about unloading. It just unloads and goes through, because he knows he picks it all up on the other side

Mark 10:26: *"And they were astonished out of measure, saying among themselves, Who then can be saved?"*

Mark 10:27-30: *"And Jesus looking upon them saith, With men it is impossible, but not with God: for with God all things are possible. Then Peter began to say unto him, Lo, we have left all, and have followed thee. And Jesus answered and said, Verily I say unto you, There is not man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the*

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Prophetic Principle  
# 23

**We  
must  
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law of  
retribution.**

*gospel's. But he shall receive an hundred-fold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions: and in the world to come, eternal life."*

You can't receive the hundredfold unless you unload. The hundred fold brings persecution. When you start preaching wealth and prosperity, you are going to have persecution.

I Kings 17:8-9 states, *"And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying. Arise, get thee to Zarephath, which belongeth to Zidon, and dwell there; behold, I have commanded a widow woman there to sustain thee."*

She was commanded by God, and didn't even know it. Can I tell you that some of you are commanded, but don't know it?

I Kings 17:10-12: *"So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, the widow woman was there gathering of sticks; and he called to her, and said, Fetch me, I pray thee, a little water in a vessel, that I may drink. And as she was going to fetch it, he called to her, and said, Bring me, I pray thee, a morsel of bread in thine hand. And she said, As the LORD they God liveth, I have not a cake, (she begin telling what she didn't have... you know, like we all do sometimes), but an handful of meal in a barrel, and a little oil in a curse; and, behold, I am gathering two sticks, that I may go in and dress it for me and my son, that we may eat, and die."*

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Prophetic Principle  
# 24

*Jesus  
did not  
disciple  
poor  
folks.*

This woman was preparing for death. Some of you are prepared for death just like her, too. You're crying, "My job is folding up, and my company is leaving. I don't know what I'm going to do". And God sends you a prophet. God could have sent Elijah to somebody who was rich, and who could have given out of their abundance. But whenever God gets ready to bless someone through a prophet, He sends someone in the prophet's life with a bigger need than theirs. . God creates a need in the prophet's life just to give you the opportunity to fill it.

And Elijah said unto her, "Fear not; go and do as thou hast said; but make me thereof a little cake first, and bring it unto me, and after make for thee and for thy son." Now, you know people really have a lot of problems with that, because the Bible says charity begins at home. It says it in Noah 3:8. [smile] Elijah began prophesying over the widow's offering; "Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, The barrel of meal shall not waste, because of what you're about to do for me."

Can I tell you that who you are called to sustain determines how you are maintained? Can I tell you that many of you are not going to get your vision unlocked until you unlock the vision of your man of God? Some of you have your man of God living in homes that are stressful. You have them driving vehicles that they've got to pray down the road from one meeting to the next. And God has become disturbed and grieved by how you have treated His man of God. So what God says is, "I will hold up your houses, and I'll hold up your blessing. I will even close doors and won't even let contracts get signed that you're believing for.

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Prophetic Principle  
# 25

***The  
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our churches  
is that we  
have  
preachers  
in the  
pulpit that  
are poor.***

"Because you have withheld your substance from the man of God, I am withholding My substance from you." Some of you habitually leave churches when they start a building fund. It starts your Exodus. But the widow had to give to the man of God first, and he told her what would take place. So she went and did according to the saying of Elijah. She did not have a Word from God.

Paul says if any man comes to preach any other gospel which I did not preach, let him be accursed. In other words, if you didn't hear it from me, it's not God. She didn't say to Elijah, "Let me pray about it and see if its God."

You cannot expect sheep to make a decision. Sheep must be led or else they go astray. Many of you have gone astray in your giving because you refuse to be led by a shepherd.

I Samuel 9:6 states, "*Behold now, there is in this city a man of God, (You will not be able to cross your red sea until you locate the hand that is called to part your sea. Whenever begins to part your waters he will use the hand of a man. Miracles can only take place through a human element.) and he is an honourable man; all that he saith cometh surely to pass; now let us go thither: peradventure he can show us our way that we should go.*"

I Samuel 9:7 states, "*Then said Saul to his servant, But , behold, if we go, what shall we bring the man? (It is an insult to go to the man of God empty handed. You can be right in spirit but just wrong in principle.), for the bread is spent in our vessels, and there is not a present to bring to the man of God: what have we?*"



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Prophetic Principle  
# 26

***Giving  
starts  
at eleven  
percent.***

Saul said, *"If I don't have a present, I cannot get into the man of God's presence."* Israel could not appear before the Lord empty handed. Some of you are spiritual eunuchs. You don't deserve to hear a word because you refuse to produce a seed.

I Samuel 9:8 states, *"And the servant answered Saul again, and said, Behold, I have here at hand the fourth part of a shekel of silver; that will I give to the man of God, to tell us our way."*

I Samuel 9:10-11 further states, *"Then said Saul to his servant, Well said; come, let us go, So they went unto the city where the man of God was. And as they went up the hill to the city, they found young maidens going out to draw water, and said unto them, Is the seer here?"*

I am convinced that some of us are at the brink of seeing things fulfilled. There are levels that God wants to bring us into, but He needs your seed to work with what He wants to bring to pass in your life. The widow woman at Zarephath could have chosen to disobey and eat her last pancake by herself. But she understood that her miracle was dependent upon her obedience and her trust in the man of God. Who are you trusting today?

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# Prophetic Empowerment

Bishop E. Bernard Jordan

## Prophetic Principle # 27

***You've  
got to  
celebrate  
your  
mentor.***

Matt. 9:20-22 states, *"And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind him, and touched the hem of his garment: For she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole. But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour."*

The woman with the issue of blood was healed by touching Jesus' garment because some folks celebrated Jesus. Some people were walking the streets giving praise to the man, Christ Jesus. They didn't know He was the Son of God. But they built the quality of faith that would work miracles within the minds of others by praising the works of the man.

Don't let the word "praise" mess you up mentally! The Bible says "Give honor to whom honor is due." Therefore, you've got to celebrate your mentor...not only for your sake, but for the sake of igniting the faith of others that they may come and draw from your mentor's wisdom, also!

Someone should be assigned to praise the pastor to the people. Pastors, make sure that this individual is someone that truly loves you. Make sure they're not a "Gehazi," nurturing their own agenda and waiting for their opportunity to shine. Make sure they're in their season of sowing; actively serving and building your name in the ears of the people.

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# Prophetic Empowerment

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

## **Prophetic Principle # 28**

***Someone  
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be assigned  
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to the  
people.***

God will bring them into their land in their due season and at the appointed time.

The widow at Zarephath received Elijah as a prophet of God. Her expectation and faith was built upon Elijah's reputation as a man of God. In order for miracles to take place in the lives of people, someone is going to have to be able to receive you in order to get their blessing.

Never make an apology to your people whenever you are having economic struggle, strain or lack. Don't ever attempt to take an offering from the people by explaining your needs to them. They don't care about your needs; they have needs of their own.

Elijah went to Zarephath and approached the widow. But he never told his distress to the woman at Zarephath. He never said, "Here's my newsletter, it needs to be published" or, "My brook dried up," or "My raven's dead," or "This is what I looked like before the famine, and if you don't give into this ministry, I'm going to die."

Elijah never said any of those things because he knew that the woman at Zarephath was in a place of extremity herself. She was starving and so was her son. That woman could care less that this itinerant preacher's brook dried up! If you start telling people about your need, they're going to start telling you about theirs. People want to know "What are you going to do for me?" The moment you start explaining your need during an offering, with statements like, "Now church, we won't be able to pay the mortgage unless you give us such and so," you kill the offering. You'll kill their inspiration to give.

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# Prophetic Empowerment

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 29**

***Wealth  
begets  
wealth.***

The people do not care about your mortgage when their own life is at stake. As a matter of fact, when they hear that your economic situation is that shaky, they will lose faith in your ability to lead and will consider you to be a bad investment. Let me ask you this. If a company was failing and about to go out of business, would you put stock in it? Would you invest your life savings in a business that was about to go under?

Don't underestimate the intelligence of the people! If you make your offering time a platform to expose your neediness, the people will ask themselves, "So? Why should I sow into you? You're in worse shape than I am!"

Here's a vital principle. Wealth begets wealth. The queen of Sheba gave to Solomon because of what Solomon had. It's the law of Genesis; everything comes after its own kind. Therefore, it is important for you to be wealthy in order for you to attract wealth. The rich do not give to the poor. They will throw something in their direction, but will not give them any real substance.

Notice that when a homeless person enters a restaurant, they tell them to leave. They may give them a morsel of bread, but they will not serve them as they would a paying customer. Yet, if a wealthy man of great reputation enters a pizza shop and is recognized, they'll say, "It's on the house! It's free!" The fact is that wealth begets wealth. So pastors, if you want to receive large offerings in your church, your people have got to see you first as a giver and secondly, they must see you as wealthy.



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# Prophetic Empowerment

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Prophetic Principle  
# 30

*Everything  
comes  
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kind.*

When I was about twenty-seven years old, certain mentors took me under their wings and shared their wisdom with me. One particular bishop said, "Son, I'm going to get you out on the field. I'm going to open the door, but it's up to you to keep it open." I answered, "Fine. Just give me a crack!" He took me on the road with him and taught me about this particular phase of ministry. But there was something he did to me first before he took me on the road that made me real angry. He took me to a particular region of stores and said, "This is where you're going to shop for suits, and this is the type of luggage that you will buy."

Now, the luggage cost more than anything I had ever been exposed to, and I thought he was crazy. He said, "You're going to buy this." And I retorted, "I'm not spending that kind of money. Its all I can do to buy two suits with one hundred bucks! I'm not spending that kind of money on this kind of stuff." And the kindly, wise bishop said "Buy it, because your luggage is the first thing people will handle when you get off the plane. And your honorarium will be greatly influenced by your packaging; it will be based upon the quality of your appearance and the quality of the luggage that you carry."

You've got to package yourself for where you're going and not for where you have been. You've got to fake it until you make it! I wore a fake Rolex' for years until the real one came into my life. I had to replace the fake one every eight to twelve weeks to keep up the appearance, but it did the job!

As you continue in ministry, you're going to find that

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# Prophetic Empowerment

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## **Prophetic Principle # 31**

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there are certain laws and keys of success that God has instilled within the universe. And these laws and keys must be obeyed in order for you to experience God's blessings and God's favor. God is watching how you treat His prophets. When a prophet is honored, God releases honor and favor, but if a prophet is dishonored, God will take up for His prophets, for to dishonor or mistreat a prophet is to be dealt with by God Himself. This is why He said, "Touch not My anointed and do My prophets no harm."

It is important for leaders to understand God's ways. When God gives you a vision, that is not the time to sit down, fold your hands and think that God is going to drop all your provision out of the sky. There's a whole science to the application of the Word of God. Don't become apprehensive about the word, "science." It just means "the knowledge of." The Bible lets us know that Daniel had all understanding of all sciences. He had knowledge of different things.

There is a science to putting on a conference. There is a science to putting on a revival. Some people have sponsored revivals, but they were operating in zeal with no knowledge. They've allowed preachers to come in their churches that could not raise any money, and they were left in debt for two months afterwards, struggling to pay for this glorious "revival."

"All too many pastors have become victimized by this mindset, and they continue to bring in so-called evangelists that don't empower your people, don't build loyalty in them towards your leadership, and fail to bring souls into the church. They never had a true revival. All they had was a time

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## **Prophetic Principle # 32**

***A prophet  
is called to  
ignite a  
better  
relationship  
between the  
leader and  
his flock.***

where people came together and had a good time and left them holding a bill.

Any guest minister should build the pastor of the church they are visiting. Whenever I come to your local church, I'm there to build you in the eyes of the people, and not to tear you down.

The prophet that comes in the spirit and power of Elijah will turn the heart of the father towards the children and the hearts of the children towards their father, lest God smites the earth with a curse. As a prophet, my job is to turn your hearts towards your spiritual leader and to turn the heart of your spiritual leader towards you. A prophet is called to ignite a better relationship between the leader and his flock.

Pastors, you must be celebrated by your people. At Zoe Ministries, you'll notice that they make a big thing about my birthday celebration. Now, I'm going to tell you why. From the time Zoe Ministries was founded, when my birthday rolled around, they would give me a cake and candles and sing "Happy Birthday" to their pastor and I would sit there and blow the candles out.

But in 1987, I had a rude awakening. The same ritual occurred for my birthday, and I went home very disturbed. I was disturbed enough to go to God for an answer. And the Lord said, "That's your fault, because you have not taught your people how to celebrate you."

After sharing the succinct Word of the Lord with certain staff members, they began the new tradition of tackling every member of our church. They will compel them to give spe-

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# Prophetic Empowerment

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 33**

***If you  
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cific amounts. They will not let them do "as the spirit leads," because everyone is not obedient; nor are they led by the Spirit of God.

The team will establish the minimum amount that the Spirit of God will work from. You, as the pastor and leader of the people, must let people sow into you. And those of you who are not senior pastors are charged to build the loyalty and faith of the congregation so that they may encourage the leader and say, "Let us sow into you."

The Bible says wherever a person's treasure is, that's where their heart is. If you do not sow into your leader, your heart is not with your leader. I tell folks that they really can't pray for me until they sow into me. Your heart can't really be for the church until you sow into it. Your heart and your treasure are connected.

The Scripture shows us that one woman worked with her lack, and another worked out of her substance. In I Kings 17, that woman worked out of her lack, but in II Kings 4, the woman who was a great woman worked out of her substance. They were blessed---not because of who they were, but they were blessed because of how they received the man of God.

What you do will determine what you will come into. Who you sustain will determine how you are maintained. The prophets produce prosperity. Saul understood prophetic empowerment. Saul got into the company of the prophets and it turned him into another man. Saul got into the company of the prophets and he went from chasing jackasses and became a king.



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We've prayed old and pompous religious prayers like "Lord, I don't want to be anything. I'm not asking for great men to know my name". Well that's a lie! It's an offense towards God and defies His purpose in your life! Did He not say that your gift will bring you before great men? I decided to get in agreement with God's Word! I want you to know who I am! If you don't know me, then how are you going to send a check to me?

What we've called "humility" has been nothing but false pride. In order for us to come into the kind of greatness that God has ordained for us to enter, we must embrace the attitude and appearance of wealth. God told Solomon that He would make his name great. The Queen of Sheba came to Solomon because she heard of his fame. Someone is hearing your fame. Your reputation precedes you. If they're not hearing your fame, they're going to hear your shame.

Saul knew the prophet could empower him to find that which was lost.

I Samuel 9:6 states, *"And he said unto him, 'Behold now, there is in this city a man of God, and he is an honorable man; all that he saith cometh surely to pass: now let us go thither; peradventure he can show us our way that we should go. Then said Saul to his servant, But, behold, if we go, what shall we bring the man? for the bread is spent in our vessels, and there is not a present to bring to the man of God: what have we?'"*

It's an insult to go to the man of God empty handed. Even Saul knew that you had to give something to the

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prophet to honor the Source of his wisdom. As a matter of fact, you weren't even supposed to come into the Temple empty handed. Know ye not that you are the temple of the Holy Ghost? That law is still in operation. It was a shame to enter the temple empty handed. So how dare you go to the temple of the prophet who stands as the oracle of the Lord without honoring the God Who dwells within?

The Bible says money answereth all things. It has a language of its own. Money speaks.....it communicates. And money only celebrates wisdom, which should always be celebrated. Jesus commended an unjust servant because he had the wisdom to become productive (Luke 16). God only commends wisdom. You can be wicked, but if you operate in wisdom, God will commend your ability to find His law and operate in it.

Can I suggest to you that the world has been commended in some areas by God because they've done wisely? Luke 16:8, *"And the lord commended the unjust steward, because he had done wisely; for the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light."*

Wisdom is commended. That's why, when you look at certain things in the world, you are forced to admire the goodness and excellence of what their wisdom has produced. When you hold your church up next to something that the world has produced, whether it be a magazine, a conference, a video or a book, you are perplexed by the fact that you are filled with the Holy Ghost, have the King of the Universe reigning in you, and your stuff is shoddy and unkempt.

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You can visit any theatre bathroom, and most of the time it will look better than most church bathrooms. Then we, as pastors, wonder why folks won't give in the offering. Can I tell you something? The atmosphere plays a part in giving.

In other words, the kind of climate you create for your people to worship in determines what grows in them. You can take a pineapple and put it in Alaska and it won't grow. It won't produce in the wrong climate. There was something that I found that I had to do in order to create people of wealth in my church. I had to create a certain atmosphere within the sanctuary. Even though I couldn't decorate with real gold in our sanctuary, I had to create the illusion because the mind does not know the difference between fantasy and reality.

Some of you have illness manifested in your body because you have been snared by the words of your mouth. You said things in jest, but your subconscious took your words as a command. You must take heed to what you say. You can't let just anybody speak into your life.

I don't want you prophesying in my life until I can measure your degree of faith, because you can only prophesy according to the proportion of your faith. I tell people it's important that I have billions. It's important that I have a billion dollar consciousness because God's getting ready to introduce me to some sheiks. You can only prophesy to the level of the realm to which you've been exposed.

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children of light. The children of this world are wiser in their generation (Luke 16:18). In other words, they are wiser in their ability to generate. The world is wiser than you.

Let me prove that. A typical seminar like our Prophetic Congress should run about \$800 for a solid week. I went to seminars in secular arenas that cost \$590 for two days. I don't know too many secular seminars that include as many speakers as our Prophetic Congress. Yet, here in New York, people have paid over \$1,800 to hear a certain celebrity speak for a couple of days.

Now the church has a mindset that opposed the productivity of the world by becoming religious in their approach. "That's not of God. They're charging for the gospel. He's making us pay for prophecy." The church is crippled by ignorance. We want to hide behind the deadness of traditions that make the Word of God of none effect.

Jesus commissioned us to go into all the world and preach the gospel. Yet what church have you seen advertise during the Super Bowl? It costs about a million dollars for a thirty second commercial. Now, if the church was really serious about fulfilling its call, why aren't we advertising during that time?

Most of us don't even understand the value of advertisement. Some of you are content with making "throw-away flyers." And that's just how people respond to your events....they throw them away! You can't entice anyone to come to your ministry by putting out flyers that look like Buckwheat took a pen out and started drawing!! It's time to



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step up to quality!! Money begets money! You must decide what you are trying to attract. If you're going to fish for men, remember that all fish don't bite the same bait. You're going to have to package for what you want.

Certain preachers have said to me, "You're going after a certain kind of people." I asked, "How did you guess?" And they said, "We can tell by the way you're packaged."

A person with a poverty mindset will either be intimidated or infuriated by the ministry. Either response is triggered by us on purpose, because we know that prosperity is a mindset. It transcends the present circumstances. A person can be broke, yet their mind is fertile ground for the seed of the word to fall upon, and eventually, that same poor individual will produce into the thousands, because they were willing to eat of the gospel that makes men free.

If a poor individual comes and sits under this ministry, they can be delivered, because poverty is just wealth that is asleep. The Word of God has the ability to awaken the seeping giant of wealth that resides within each of us. Wealth has got to either feel something or hear something. When wealth is shaken from its narcoleptic state, poverty must leave. True wealth empowers you--spirit, soul and body.

Verse 9: *"And I say unto you, Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness; that, when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations."*

The term "friends" in the Greek is defined as "actively fond, friendly, an associate, a neighbor, a friend, to be friend-

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ly to one, to wish him well." See, most of us do not respond to unrighteous mammon like this. We complain and chase it away. We never treat it as though it is an actual acquaintance.

The Greek definition continues with other dimensions of the word "friend" by defining it as "an associate; he who associates familiarly; a companion; also as one of the bridegroom's friends who honors the half as the hand of the bride and render him various service in closing the marriage and celebrating the nuptials." Many of you can't get the bride because you haven't found a "friend" to purchase her for you!

"You need to confess daily, "Dirty money is my friend." You've got to make friends with money in your mind. The only thing that you've got to watch out for is that money takes its proper place in your affections. I know what's going through your mind now... that religious demon who's saying that money is the root of all evil.

The devil in your mind is misquoting the Scripture. The actual verse reads, "The love of money is the root of all evil." That "love" refers to an inordinate affection expressed in a way that God hasn't ordained. But God never attended for you to hate money! He intended for money to be your friend! I see money as God in action.

Verse 10: *"He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much; and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much. If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?"*

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The ability to access money is the lowest form of access in the realm of the Spirit. This is pure outer court. If you cannot grab money, then that tells me that you can't even grab the true riches of God. We've always thought that the spiritual ones were the ones who were spooky and broke, but the truly spiritual ones are those who know how to access wealth. If you can't get a hold of unrighteous mammon, then how will God trust you with the true riches of God?

Verse 12: *"And if ye have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own?"*

Your dream is not going to unlock until you unlock the dreams of another. Joseph had to unlock the dreams of the butler, the baker and Pharaoh before his dream unfolded. God will not release some of you into ministry until you are willing to do the same. You have to find your "butler", your "baker" and your "Pharaoh", and labor with all your heart to unlock their dreams. Some of you will stay in prison until you unlock the butler's dream.

Some of you may examine this teaching and wonder. But it would take volumes to explain the churches whose debts we retired, whose land we've paid off, and whose buildings we paid off. How many times have we visited a church and the pastor didn't have a car, but when we left, he was on his way to the car lot to purchase one. How many didn't have a house, but were impacted by this teaching and this anointing and were able to obtain their home?

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# 41**

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I remember teaching at one particular church that was in the middle of their building fund, where their interest level had waned. They reached a certain level and could not seem to go any further. The Spirit of the Lord came upon me and said, "Tell these people they will not get a building until they give the man of God a house. Tell them to take the money that was put designated for their church building and give it for the man of God's house."

He continued, "I'm not interested in where you worship, but I'm interested in where My vessel lives. And when he lives where he's supposed to, he'll prepare a place for you." And then, when their obedience was fulfilled, God supernaturally and miraculously put them into a building! And then the people became lax again and lost it, but the man of God still has his house!!

No servant can serve two masters. Jesus calls money "a master." I like the way one preacher puts it. He says there's only two signs you have to be concerned about, and that's the sign of the cross and the dollar sign. One operates in that which is Spirit, while the other operates in that which is natural. Both signs are necessary, but they must be kept in their proper priority.

Money is like air.... you need it to live. I talk to my friend called "Money." Money is very finicky, and it is a very temperamental friend. It demands to be handled properly. Most people disrespect money, even in the way they place it in the offerings. They ball it up, as though they regret having to give it to God. They won't take it balled up to the teller, or to the



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grocery store. They only do that mess when they come into the house of God, manifesting a spirit behind that which crushes your seed. Money understands that it is called to be an offering unto God. It's a praise, and it speaks.

You've got to have money working for you. If money is not working for you in its ordained establishment, it will testify against you. It will reveal to everyone that you are an unprofitable servant, good for nothing except to be cast into the fire and burned. If you don't provide a purpose for money, then something else will snatch it out of your hands. Money is supposed to increase on your behalf.

Wealthy people understand this principle. They know that money never sleeps. Money makes money even while they're sleeping! Do you want to break the yoke of poverty off your life? Then work your mind, not your behind! You will never become wealthy by “working hard.” As a matter of fact, the people who usually make six figures are usually the people that spend time at the golf course. Their day contains a portion of work, but they're also savvy concerning investments, and know how to befriend their money.

Money must become your friend. It must be allowed to work and speak on your behalf. The Bible tells us that money answereth all things, so whenever a question sounds in your life, money will give you the solution. Money will advise you. I can think of certain things that I wanted to do, and I was greatly disturbed when money began to dictate to me and say, “You better not do that.”

When money speaks limitations into your life, its a signal

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that you must bring it into subjection. It is not to become a "god" to you, but it is called to serve you. If what you have is not enough to meet your need, then it's a seed. It's time to plant your money and begin to produce a harvest.

I'm in the process of believing God for many real estate holdings. I've purposed in my heart that I'm going to prove God and see. He said He'll open up the windows of heaven and pour out a blessing that there should not be room enough to receive! God can pour out such a glory upon you that the ambiance will astound others and they won't be able to receive your entourage.

When the Queen of Sheba saw Solomon, there was no more spirit left in her; her spirit left her body. She couldn't take it! There's a degree of God's glory that He will reflect through our lives! I'm not talking about some kind of myth, but I'm talking about a glory that is complimented by that which God causes you to walk into, what God causes you to create, and what God causes your interior decorator to design.

When people come into your presence, they'll try to hear what you're saying but they can become so mesmerized by what they see, that they'll impulsively say, "Wait a minute....can you just be quiet for ten minutes? I just need to look around! My God, what is this?"

When I went to a South African palace to see the king, it took me a long time to get myself together before I could minister the Word of the Lord. I was overwhelmed from the very beginning when we entered through armed gates. I was

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astounded by the numerous peacocks that graced the grounds, and the beauty of the surroundings literally left me speechless. There I was, standing in the presence of an earthly king, watching the princes and princesses in their regality, and like the Queen of Sheba, I watched the servants and saw the king's wisdom.

I saw individuals who did not dare to stand or walk in the presence of the king, but when they came to the door, they got on their knees and crawled to their seats. When the king was ready to receive me, the servant announced, "Bishop Jordan has some guests with him." And I saw the glory of God impact the king, as he responded by saying, "Hold it! Postpone our meeting for this moment. Prepare the main auditorium for the prophet, and I want my whole cabinet to come." My bowels almost broke loose! I was so lost in the grandeur of the king, that I didn't realize that God had released a degree of grandeur that overwhelmed the king!

The meeting ensued with the ambassador to the UN, the Attorney General, the police commissioner, the Minister of Finances, the heads of all the armed forces, and the entire governmental staff of the king, besides the royal family. They were scheduled for a meeting of a different nature, but the king decreed for them to sit and hear the prophet.

There was a portion of the Word of the Lord that was able to be taped and uttered in this open assemblage, but there was another portion that was uttered to the king in private, and that could not be taped. That portion of the Word could not risk entering the media, for it would cause an international incident.

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***Your  
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As the king entered the room, he was preceded by a procession of two men that hailed the king and testified of all of the great things that he was doing in the nation. Pastors, can I tell you that your assistant pastor or those who prepare the people before you take the pulpit are not supposed to be telling the people about the different dreams and visions that they had the night before?

Instead, they should be talking and building you up in the eyes of the people, so that their faith in you as God's representative can be supported. They need to believe that you are the one that is carrying the Word of the Lord for their situation. The woman with the issue of blood was healed based upon what she heard about Jesus. The packaging of his reputation as a miracle worker built her faith to such a degree that all she had to do was touch the hem of His garment. Who has that kind of faith in you?

Pastors, you need adjutants. They help to protect your office. They are there to serve and assist the leader. Adjutants must teach the protocol of how to approach a leader. When you're sitting down, your people should never stand over you to talk to you. When they come into your presence, if you are seated, they should kneel. They should always be looking up to you as their leader. I personally believe that no member has any business laying their hands on their pastor's head. There is an honor that should be accorded those who stand in authority over your life. No member possesses that type of authority over their leader.

When we conduct presbytery sessions, either in house or during our Prophetic Congress conferences, we always design-



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nate certain rooms for the pastors to receive their presbytery. We allow them to go into the other rooms if they so desire, but they deserve the honor of privacy. And even though we've had many bishops in attendance, no one, not even our pastors, would dare to lay hands upon their personage unless they asked for permission.

Is this worshipping a man? Of course not! Remember, unction respects function. Though our pastors may have felt compelled by the Holy Ghost, he would still ask, "May I? You know I'm not worthy to touch you, but may I lay my hands upon you?" God is a God of order, and He grants the ability to respect authority in all forms through discerning the office and the rank His leaders possess in the house of God.

Adjutants or attendants are placed around guest speakers to prevent unnecessary press placed upon them by the people. This is done to protect the gift of God. God places gifts within the church, and they're not to be abused.

Members, you don't go out and buy a dress for your pastor from a bargain basement, saying "I'm presenting this to you as a gift." Pastors, you are in sin if you accept it. You're not setting an example for your people to follow. You're allowing the mediocrity in them to thrive on your acceptance, and that's doing both of you a grave injustice. There are some things that must be taught, and people need to be brought out of the mentality that God's representatives should look and live within the sphere of poverty.

Take the time to advise them to give that gift to someone else, and instruct them where they may shop for you. Tell

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***Jesus  
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them the designer house that they can find an item suitable to present to you. You will set a standard in their lives that will not only shape their perception of you, but it will also impact their personal life and expand their own horizons. People emulate the image that is set before them, but often, they may not know where to go to obtain what you have. By taking the opportunity to deem a cheap gift as unacceptable, you empower them to reach for the better things in life.

Now, if you believe money is evil, it will be difficult to possess it. The location of your treasure reveals the placement of your heart. In order for you to come into the Kingdom, you've got to unload everything within you. The disciples were empowered by their connection to Jesus. Prophetic empowerment will bring wealth: spiritually, physical and demotionally.

You can have money, but don't let it have you! Money magnifies what you already are! See, money doesn't make you wicked. Some people observe others when they come into sudden increase and note how wicked the person has become, when in fact, they were wicked before they received the money. Money just magnified their wickedness so that it became obvious to everyone's eyes.

Giving is connected with salvation and the Kingdom of God. When the rich man asked Jesus, "What must I do to have eternal life?", Jesus said, "Sell all that you have and give." If you have a poverty mindset, you will never be able to hold millions. You must study the law of attraction, and learn how to attract wealth into your life. Many of you are magnets, but you're not magnetized.

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**Prophetic Principle  
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Many of you don't know what to see, and you can't exercise the power of focus. Jacob changed the image that sat before the cow's eyes, so that they reproduced what they saw. I spent two years walking around with ten one hundred dollar bills in my pocket everyday, simply to keep an image of wealth before my eyes. I had to become comfortable with handling one thousand dollars as though it were a hundred. That's why I have no problem with asking people to sow a one thousand dollar seed.

I have seen more people get offended and leave the church, all because I dared to ask for a thousand dollar seed. Here at Zoe Ministries, we've moved to such another dimension, that if you've been at our church within one year, you'll be giving at the one thousand dollar level without a second thought, if you're a real member there. You'll give comfortably at that level.

The church should bring people into a sense of reality. The fact of the matter is that you can't do big things until you have big money. Dream big. We're supposed to occupy until Jesus comes, but how will we occupy if we don't have any money? Certainly Jesus did not mean for us to simply take up space and remain unprofitable until He comes!

We do not tell the people in our church to be, "Led of the Spirit as the Spirit leads." Jesus said, "My sheep hear My Voice." Lambs aren't always attentive to His Voice, that's why a shepherd is there, to lead them into greener pastures. God speaks through the pastor.

Pastors, if you have knowledge that one of your members

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hands.***

is about to come into a large amount of money, help walk them through it. Members don't always know what to do and can make foolish decisions which they'll regret at a later date. Don't be timid about such things. Help them to write an offering. God has sent them in your direction to help underwrite a part of your vision.

If you do not take large offerings from your people, they're going to take their money and give it to another satellite ministry that does have the nerve to ask for it. I know of a wealthy person that wrote a check for \$250,000 to a satellite ministry, completely ignoring the church and the pastor who helped walk them into that sphere of wealth. The pastor was mad, and I couldn't blame him. I would have been mad, too!

I remember being approached by a woman who begged me to pray for her finances. Unaware of the particulars of her dilemma, I began to intercede for her financial difficulty. You can imagine my expression when she explained her problem. She was only earning \$180,000 interest instead of the \$200,000 interest to which she had become accustomed.

I remember that when I first started pastoring, there were some wealthy people that came to the church. The most they ever gave at one time was one thousand dollars. Yet the report came back that they went to another church in town and wrote a check in one service for \$50,000. Then I heard they went to another ministry and wrote another \$50,000 check. Why didn't they write me a check for \$50,000? Simple. I never asked them.



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# Prophetic Empowerment

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 50**

***It's time  
to plant  
your money  
and begin  
to produce  
a harvest.***

I used to have this type of wealth sitting in the church, and at that time, pastoring at only 23 years old, I didn't really understand their purpose. They never discerned their purpose, and neither did I. Eventually, they left, with purpose still locked up within them. I didn't know what to do with the ravens God had sent. And some of you are just like I was trying to be so spiritual by approaching these "delicate" situations through timidity. When God sends these gifts into your midst, discern their purpose.

A God-given vision will always be larger than you are. If God sends wealth into your midst, seek the Lord and discern the facet of the vision they are called to finance. You would be amazed at what has walked through your doors. Move away from churches or people that don't preach empowerment. When you connect with a prophet, it will bring empowerment to your life. Become a giver, for that will give you legal access to wealth.

I am often approached by pastors who will say, "Teach me how to raise offerings like you." I tell them it's so simple. It's like a farmer saying, "I can't harvest." The only reason you can't harvest is because you didn't sow seed. Give! Give! Give! Give! Give! Give! Try emptying out your accounts a couple of times. It's nerve wracking, but the Bible says you'll reap in due season if you faint not. You haven't really given until you came to the point of fainting.

You have not given a good seed until the devil haunts you at night. If you have not lost any sleep after you've given your seed, you didn't give enough. You're supposed to be almost to the point of fainting by what you gave. Giving is a

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# Prophetic Empowerment

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 51**

***God  
causes  
you to  
create!***

way of life for me. I practice exactly what I teach. People who walk close to me know it. We make our treasurer a nervous wreck. "Bishop, how are you going to do that?" You want to put what in the packet?" The Spirit of the Lord gets on me sometimes, and I'll say, "Get all my books for just \$20." I know how to get the windows of heaven open. I just start sowing.

When we go into churches, we often challenge them to give and God brings the income. I tell pastors who have been so tremendously blessed by offerings that may pay for a house, burn a mortgage, buy a bus or fulfill another dream, that I've already seeded in advance. I just came to help them, but my harvest had to come out of this. God had to bring the offering to a certain level in order for me to get my legal harvest. If I didn't receive my harvest, then heaven and earth has got to pass away.

God said that if one jot or tittle of His Word fails, heaven and earth will pass away. He said that if I give, I would receive. I have a legal access to the harvest. If it does not come, there will be a catastrophe in heaven and earth. Therefore, it must happen. That's why I give with this thought in mind, that I've indebted the universe to me. All of creation is moaning and travailing, saying, "We've got to manifest for Bernard, He's a son of God. He is an anointed one. He is the Christ the son of the living God.

And when you begin to understand the anointing, things will start happening in your people when you start sowing. Some of us, what we do, we stop after the harvest and then we wait until we get into another disaster before you start to

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# Prophetic Empowerment

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 52**

***Adjutants  
must  
teach the  
protocol  
of how to  
approach  
a leader.***

sow again. This has got to be an ongoing thing. You've got to get to the place where you begin to sow until it gets so ridiculous that even your budget and what comes in every month, doesn't make sense.

We had the accountant and the bankers call us in question. The accountant went to our tax consultant and pulled us to the side and she asked, "What is really going on? He has 300 members and the kind of money that is going through the account, there is no way. "What is he really doing?" The bank has come and said, "what is really going on over there." I went to one banker and he refused to give us a loan. I had to tell him this is not drug money. I'm telling you that you can put yourself in the position of sowing to the degree that folks would think that you're operating illegally.

Giving as a leader, when you start to give, you'll start to attract what you are. People that are non-givers get intimidated by you. They won't be able to stay. They will say I resign. We'll say, we understand. This giving thing is getting to you, you want that anointing but you don't want the price. I have a woman in my church who was about to be dispossessed and she begin to give every month a seed of \$1,200 dollars because she knew she didn't have enough to meet her need, so it was a seed.

I thought this woman got a breakthrough. She must have gotten a new job or something. About two years later I said, "How is that house situation., She said, "Oh, you didn't know? I called the bank one day and they said it was paid. They said, you don't owe anything." Like Connie Williams would say, "You shouldn't have to get into that place where you need a miracle." There was some bad management

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# Prophetic Empowerment

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 53**

***God  
is  
a God  
of  
order!***

there, but evidently something had to slap them into reality.

Another couple I know of came into a meeting and God told them to give \$1,000. They were dispossessed. Their furniture was on the street. Their house was all they had. I didn't even want to take their money after God spoke. The woman was crying, and the man was crying. You could look at them and see that they were desperate. But had I not taken their seed they would have never gotten the miracle.

Then three months later someone gave them \$30,000 out of nowhere and told them to go buy a new house. Then, they were given an extra \$10,000 - \$12,000 to pay off all their debts. They gave them new furniture. They traced it back to a Friday night in Virginia to \$1,000 seed that a prophet forced them to give.

Before I play with God I will quit ministry and go sell cars. I'm too afraid of losing the anointing, I'm too afraid of God to play with Him. I know we have pastors here whose ministry is struggling. I know, I've been there. How did I keep my sanity? I sowed a seed, I have a track record. Let it go, I sow and sow and sow and sow and keep sowing and sowing and sowing and giving and giving and giving and sow some more and keep sowing and sowing. Then just watch God begin working. When you sow into your people, it does something in your people and then it creates the universe to just continue to bring harvest to you.

People won't even know why they're doing stuff for you, but you've indebted the universe. And whenever my harvest does not show up, I say I missed a moment of sowing. So let me get moving in it now. God does not ask you to sow when it's convenient. He asks you for a seed usually that you cannot afford.



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# Money Is The Answer

Bishop E. Bernard Jordan

Prophetic Principle  
# 54

*Money  
is energy.*

Ecclesiastes 10:19 states, "*A feast is made for laughter, and wine maketh merry; but money answereth all things.*"

We, as the people of God, have got to prepare for the new economy into which He desires to bring us. The Bible lets us know that a feast is made for laughter, and we've been through a season of feasting and laughter. For the Church knows what it is to enjoy the physical expressions of the glory of God. We know what it is to jump and shout and laugh and celebrate in God's Presence. Our church services are rampant with our shoutings and expressions of praise. We know what it is to become drunk on the wine of the Spirit....intoxicated on the goodness of the Lord..... "Drunk as ye may suppose!"

But too many of us leave our church services and we're going home to an avalanche of questions being asked by the landlord, the electric company, the credit card company, the car loan agent, the insurance agent, our spouses, our children, and anyone else that chooses to ask us questions that demand answers. Yet the scripture says that money is the answer for all things. It is interesting that Solomon did not say that God is the answer to all things. But maybe he did say that God was the answer to all things, because maybe money is God in action!

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# Money is the Answer

Bishop E. Bernard Jordan

Prophetic Principle  
# 55

***You've got  
to watch  
what you  
think  
because  
your  
thoughts  
break into  
action.***

Money is energy, and it is substance. Depending upon whose hand it is in will determine whether it is righteous or unrighteous. Money is something that God wants you to have, and if you do not see money as a person, money will never come into your life. Most of the time, when reading this passage of scripture, we usually stop at verse 20, but Solomon continues on to say, "Curse not the king."

Don't curse the authorities that govern your life. They're set in place by the omniscient hand of God. You may not agree with them, but watch how you speak or think about them. Often, we violate this scripture without realizing that there are consequences to our actions; consequences that we will find most distasteful.

Eccl. 10:20 states, "*Curse not the king, no not in thy thought; and curse not the rich in thy bedchamber: for a bird of the air shall carry the voice, and that which hath wings shall tell the matter.*"

Remember this: you cannot attract what you curse. In other words, you are to think good towards the king. You've got to watch what you think because your thoughts break into action. All things that had their beginning began in another realm. They began in the realm of thought and imagination. In other words, we, in this three dimensional world, can see, touch and feel the objects that surround us. But there was a time that the objects around you did not exist.

At some point, someone entered the realm of thought and saw the image which had to be brought into this realm of existence. A designer saw your clothing, the scientist saw

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# Money is the Answer

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 56**

***God  
fills  
you  
with  
ideas.***

your medicine, your television. At some point, I had to see this book! We had to take a thought on that which was invisible --- that which is not measured in this three dimensional world but measured in time and in the past. And then we had to bring it out of time and space and begin with a point of existence.

God fills you with ideas; He's filling you with points. Everything that needs to manifest in your life will start with a dot in this dimension. But in that fourth dimension, in the Spirit (if you don't like the words "fourth dimension," since it might sound like "new age"), you take that which is unmeasurable in time and space and bring it to a dimension that can be measured. Now God is getting the church ready for the supernatural. He's getting the church ready for a supernatural economy.

Let me also give you the word of Lord: "We are now moving in a hour, economically, where the wealth that is desired must be accessed in the Spirit. The wealth and provision that you need will not come through the usage of Madison Avenue techniques. The humanistic minds of men will not be able to contrive another "How-to" book, for their rules won't work. The knowledge of Harvard Business Institute will prove useless. You're going to have to reach up in the Spirit through the power of the Holy Ghost and conduct your transactions; pulling wealth from the Spirit realm into the natural. The Apostle Paul said it like this: Call those things that be not as though they were."

God endowed you with the creative power of speech. You've got to say what you want. Let me move you on to

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# Money is the Answer

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 57**

***God  
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the  
creative  
power of  
speech.***

another level that goes beyond saying what you want. You've got to feel what you want to feel like. There's a lot of teaching that refutes this, but your next plateau of reality must be experienced before its actual manifestation. Some of you are not going to get your breakthrough economically until you change your wardrobe.

You'll never actualize wealth if your surroundings impact your imagination with the image of poverty. Some of you are not going to get what you want until you can go into the new car showroom once a week and sit inside that floor model of a Mercedes Benz or Rolls Royce.

You've got to feel this thing! You've got to get to the place where you can see yourself in the picture! You've got to get to the place where you go into mansions and estates and speak with realtors. Put on your best fur, your best hat, and your best garments, and walk in there like you already own the money to buy the place!

You've got to understand that desire is the proof that your dream truly exists! It already exists! God said all His promises are "Yes!", and He is waiting for you to utter the "Amen." Now when you begin to feel this thing, you're going to discover another dimension.

After you see it, you're going to have to get into the posture of meditation, which is a state of mind. You're going to have to breath in the very thing you want. God breathed into man and man became a living soul. What will happen when you begin to breath into your dream? You've got to become one with it. The word must become incarnate with you.



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# Money is the Answer

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 58**

***You'll  
never actu-  
alize wealth  
if your sur-  
roundings  
impact your  
imagination  
with the  
image of  
poverty.***

There is the logos Word of God, the Bible, which we all read and draw from, but there is also another little book, the rhema book of your life. This rhema book is sealed and yet contains the essence of the intentions of God concerning you. No one else can fit that book. Its tailor made just for you. It's been cut to fit you exactly.

When anybody else attempts to put on your rhema, going to come up short. It's not going to look right, and it's going to look out of place on them. Saul tried to get David to stand in his rhema but Saul's armour was useless to David. It was too heavy, too big, and impossible for him to wield. David had to discover his own personal rhema which God designed for him and pick up the five smooth stones that were preordained from the foundation of the world to serve as his weaponry against Goliath.

Your rhema is enough to win any battle! You're going to have to get hold of the rhema word of God! You're going to have to discover what is written in the book that God has written concerning you!

God said that He knew you before the foundations of the world. Your existence didn't begin in the labor room when the doctor spanked your behind. You did not begin when your father released that white substance which made contact with your mama's egg. But can I call you "Oh ancient one?" Can I call you "ancient of days?"

You began on the day of creation when God said, "Let there be light, and there was light." That light was not the sun, moon or stars because they were created on the fourth

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**Prophetic Principle  
# 59**

***God  
breathed  
into man  
and man  
became a  
living soul.***

day. I used to teach that the "light" that passage in Genesis 1 referred to was God, but how can God say for Him to be what He already was? I believe that when God said, "Let there be light," He had me in mind, for Jesus said, "Ye are the light of the world."

And when God speaks a thing, the provision is already a done deal! The wealth that God has laid up for you is already around you! It is at your feet, and it is in your hands! You've got to begin calling it forth! You've got to begin to decree some things! You've got to start prophesying to the winds! Prophecy is the vehicle that pulls the invisible into the realm of the visible.

Now if you don't feel this thing, you can't birth this thing! In order to give birth, you must feel the labor pains! We may have cancelled something out when we've said that we're not moved by what we feel. But now, we must reverse that statement because our knowledge is growing from lesser to greater light.

Jacob stole the birthright of Esau because he felt his wealth. The birthright is the right to give birth. Isaac said to his son Jacob, "Come close so that I may feel you. I need to touch you. And based upon what I feel will determine how I'll distribute my blessing." God is saying for you come into the secret closet. Come close so that He can feel you. Come close so that He can touch you. And because God knows your thoughts, He moved upon Solomon to record these words, "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he."

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# Money is the Answer

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**Prophetic Principle  
# 60**

***The Word  
must  
become  
incarnate  
in you.***

Budgets are not of God. Whenever someone needed a miracle they came to the prophet, but the prophet did not put them on a budget plan. Moving in the Spirit will cause you to think and act like God, whose resources are inexhaustible. We've got to begin to think like our Father. He said "Let us make man," so we've got to learn to come together and "let us make money!"

Whenever a person had a need, their budget went out of the window and the prophet forced them to create a vacuum. They were commanded to dig a deeper hole. God needs a vacuum to bring miracles into your life! With the prophet Elijah, God created a famine in the prophet's life by cutting off the prophet's water and firing the prophet's raven. God placed the prophet in a famine situation because a widow woman at Zarephath needed a miracle.

Many of you come into contact with a prophet at the moment of your greatest need...the moment of your greatest dilemma. You may be staring at your last cash between you and disaster; or your last credit between you and bankruptcy. You may encounter the prophet at the time that you've been fired, or when your last unemployment check has arrived in the mail. God will bring a prophet across your path when you have no way of knowing how you are going to be sustained. The prophet's ministry is equated with provision.

You may have never known the real reason why you were summoned into the presence of a prophet. You may have thought that you were there to get some special revelation, or experience the thrill of hearing a "Thus saith the Lord."

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Prophetic Principle  
# 61

*Your  
rhema  
is enough  
to win  
any  
battle!*

God is not mocked. Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap! I don't care if your finances are looking down, and I don't care if your situation is difficult, learn to sow!

Give your way out of your calamity! I don't care if your budget looks like it has flown out of the window! You might be staring a dispossession notice in the face, but I want you to know that if what you have is not enough to meet your need, it's a only a seed! Give it to a prophet!

Some folks wonder at how they may see us collect two or three offerings in one day. But they won't complain when they start receiving two or three harvests in one day! Whenever God brings you into an age, you've got to understand the age that you are in and move in the spirit of that day. Genesis tells us that God, seeking to commune with Adam, walked in the cool, or the spirit, of the day.

God has given us signs in the heavens. The stars are a sign. The stars and astrological signs were not created by satan but were created by God. They were only abused and perverted by the world. Many scholars believe that Jesus was born in the month of September, during the feast of tabernacles, where the Word became flesh and tabernacled among us. And the heavens speak of the sign of Virgo--the virgin, and Christ can be found throughout the entire spectrum of constellations, ending with Leo the Lion--the Lion of the tribe of Judah!

Don't let your religious mind get in the way. You've just got to understand the day that you're in! Some folks are running from the truths of this age, labeling things "New Age" without knowing "New Age" if it slapped them upside the



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**Prophetic Principle  
# 62**

***You did  
not begin  
when your  
father  
released  
that white  
substance!***

head! New Age is simply a system that is operating outside of Christ. Jesus moved in the spirit of the day He was in. And that's why He worked miracles with fish all the time.

Notice that the church made the sign of the fish because that was the age they were in. Jesus began working miracles with fishes and loaves. When He went to find disciples, He said, "I will make you fishers of men." When the taxes needed to be paid, He said, "Go get the first fish with the money in its mouth." Can I tell you that Jesus walked in the age of Pisces? Can your religious mind bear it? God is the Author of ALL THINGS, and the heavens declare His glory!

Even when the wise men came to see Jesus, it took them two years to find Him. But they were able to follow the stars in the sky which told them where He was laid. They saw the star of prophecy, for the heavens were prophesying and declaring the mysteries of God! And only those who were discerning could read the message! Many saw the heavens and could not interpret, but those who knew the signs in the skies were able to find the Saviour of the world!

The church picked up the age of Pisces when they begin to create the Bishop's miter, for the miter looks like the open mouth of a fish; the dawning of another age. Can I tell you that this is now the age of the Spirit? Of the supernatural? Of the water being poured out of the heavens? See, we may all end up going back to holy water before this age is over! For this is the age where God is beginning to pour out His Spirit upon all flesh!

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**Prophetic Principle  
# 63**

***When God  
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God is taking the water and He is pouring it out! And here's the mystery. You're going to have to buy without money! You're going to have to purchase in this other realm! Now there's going to be a price tag for this information. People will say we are "off." Usually, prophets are deemed as "off" in the beginning. And then, usually towards the end of their ministry or after they die and go on home to be with the Lord, people begin to acknowledge and verify that they were "on." The church has killed many prophets, thinking that they were witches and warlocks, and then at the end, had to turn around and make them saints. So we're prepared for the persecution!

In talking to my friend, Reverend Ike, he said something to me which was so powerful! He shared, "When I wanted to buy time on ABC, CBS, NBC to broadcast, I had the money, but the stations refused to sell to me. Their excuse was, "We do not sell time for religious programming."

"I wanted to broadcast prime time, but they said they would not do it. But what I could not purchase on the material level, had to be purchased on the spiritual level. I began to understand that I AM money! I purchased it on the spiritual level. I went into the Spirit and bought the time. And when I believed God and purchased it in the Spirit, the various television stations started calling me for all kinds of interviews and talk shows on ABC, NBC, and CBS... I got all the time I wanted and needed ... at no charge, of course!"

Rev. Ike was given prime time exposure ... whole hours of interviews on shows like NightLine, PrimeTime and the Larry King Show. This ignited such a revelation in me! Can I tell

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# Money is the Answer

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you that the building that you need is in the Spirit? The house that you want is in the spirit? The car that you believing for is in the Spirit? The job that you're believing God for is in the Spirit? The wealth you need is in the Spirit? The thing you need to believe God for is IN THE SPIRIT!!! God wants you to come and buy...it is in the Spirit!

**Prophetic Principle  
# 64**

***Prophecy  
is the vehicle  
that pulls the  
impossible  
into the  
realm of the  
visible.***

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# Principles of Life

Bishop E. Bernard Jordan

Prophetic Principle  
# 65

***Everything  
God  
created is  
in the  
form of  
energy.***

This is the age of the prophetic. We're going to see the prophetic operating at a level we've never seen before. Heads of State are waiting for the prophets. Washington has spent millions of dollars consulting psychics, seeking for a way...ANY way...out of their dilemmas. Yet a couple of prophets, bringing the Word of the Lord, could have helped to avoid quite a few tragedies. God is raising up prophets that are going to stand toe to toe against the deception of the psychics.

Principles are vital to our development because many of us need to learn how to live and living doesn't come naturally. We spend more time trying to use a crowbar to force a door open in our lives, when if we would take the time to learn they key, we could unlock virtual miracles without strain or effort.

Proverbs 26:1-2, *"As snow in summer, and as rain in harvest, so honour is not seemly for a fool (a fool gets no honour). As the bird by wandering, as the swallow by flying, so the curse causeless shall not come."*

Everything that God has created in your life already existed in the form of energy. When you believe for something, your faith is in operation, and the Bible tells us that faith is the SUBSTANCE of things hoped for, and the evidence of things not seen. Faith is the substance of things. Faith gives substance to things. And the thing that it gives substance to is the thing that you are hoping for or the things that are in your dream. Faith



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# Principles of Life

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 66**

***Energy  
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alized.***

makes your dream a reality. NOW FAITH IS. Your speech begins to rest in the in the "now"-ness of God.

The Name of God is I AM. Moses asked, "Who shall I say sent me?" And God said, "Tell them I AM hath sent you." God is not "I Will", but I AM!! He is an ever-present God!

The things that you need are in their dematerialized state. But because it has not manifested does not mean that it does not exist. Desire is the proof that it exists. Thoughts are things. If you can think it, you can create it! Most people work hard all week for things.

But wealth does not come by working your behind, but wealth comes by working your mind. Stop working your behind and work your mind!

See, you've been working the wrong end! The individuals that work in the factory forty and fifty hours a week will not be the individuals that will become wealthy. Yet the individuals that are generating hundreds of thousands of dollars are lounging on the golf course. Somebody has discovered the power of working their minds while others are consumed with working their behinds!

Your mind is a muscle. And if you do not develop this muscle, it will not work for you. As matter of fact, it is subject to the law of use, which states that whatever you do not use, you lose. Speaking of "BS," manure is a very interesting substance. It's offensive and it stinks. But it continually challenges your mind. You can either become full of it or plant a seed in it and make something grow out of it.

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# Principles of Life

Bishop E. Bernard Jordan

Prophetic Principle  
# 67

***Everything  
that has  
manifested  
on our  
behalf began  
in the form  
of thought.***

Feelings will get the blessing! Now, I know that we've been taught not to be moved by what we feel, but that's the kindergarten version of faith. Do you remember when you went to kindergarten and were taught to place numbers in one category and the alphabet was placed in another category? And then, as you progressed through grade school and studied Algebra, weren't you taught to add and multiply numbers and letters together?

In the Word of Faith teachings, we were at the kindergarten level so they told us not to feel but to ignore your feelings. And that had a measure of truth in it. You can't put your alphabet with your numbers. But now we're reaching a realm of higher education. God is introducing us to Algebra! Now we're going to have to break the rules of kindergarten and give you a new system with another name!

In order for you to get your miracle, you've got to feel it! If you can't feel it, you'll never possess it! Feelings will get the blessing! A matter of fact, let me say it like this: if you want anything to manifest in your life, you're going to have to meditate until you reach the state of mind where you can taste it, see it, and know it.

Remember Jacob. (I hope you can take this!) Jacob wanted his brother's birthright, but in order to obtain it, he had to do several things. While his brother Esau went out into the field to try to fix the meal, Jacob stayed close to home and received instructions from his mother or, to speak metaphysically, from his subconscious.

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# Principles of Life

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 68**

*Since we  
are thinking  
all the  
time, we  
are  
influencing  
energy all  
the time.*

Let's digress a moment. Look at the order of God. The male -- the conscious-- is an initiator, while the female--the subconscious-- is a responder. Every "widow" mindset is a mindset of lack which needs a prophet to initiate or impregnate it with wealth. A "woman"-- the subconscious-- cannot initiate mindset, she could only be a receiver. But once she receives it, she takes it and develops it and gives it back to you multiplied.

We see the application of this premise with Jacob. The Scripture says that he stayed close to home with his mother--he reached down into the deep part of himself and got his instructions. Can I tell you that your blessing must be created from within yourself? To get the blessing, you're going to have to get it by the five wise virgins. You have ten virgins; five are wise, and five are foolish. The five foolish virgins are the five physical senses that are operating in this external realm.

The five wise virgins are those virgins that are moving by the inner eye or the intuition. There's a vast difference between eyesight and insight. Eyesight allows you to perceive the external realm of facts, while insight allows you to see beyond the barriers of the natural facts into the realm of the reality of truth. A fact may be present, but the truth can supersede a fact. It may be a fact that you were fired for insubordination. The truth may be that you were a victim of sexual harassment and your refusal to submit resulted in your expulsion.

Many of you are trying to get the birthright like Esau by going into the field. But you're messing with the wrong virgins! Jacob gets the birthright because his father, Issaac, says, "Come close so that I can feel you." And the way Jacob felt won him

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# Principles of Life

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 69**

***Thoughts  
are formed  
through  
structures  
or belief  
systems  
that are in  
your mind.***

the birthright. Jacob had to act and feel like his oldest brother. When you pray, come into the secret closet. Come close so that God can feel you. Whatsoever things you ask when you pray, imitate your eldest Brother until Father believes that Jesus is speaking!

You see, Jacob tricked the father into believing he was Esau. You are not going to get the blessing until you get to the place that you can "trick" the Father; so that when He comes close to you, He'll say "This is Jesus." This is the reality of what Jesus meant when He said, "When you pray in My Name." Tagging Jesus' Name on the end of your prayer is not it at all! His Name is not a magic word like "abracadabra!" Praying in Jesus' Name refers to standing in His stead in full representation of Him as though Jesus Himself were addressing the Father.

You will become a millionaire in a moment; in the twinkling of an eye. And I'm not talking about the twinkling of your foolish virgins! But the moment God can get your mind's eye to twinkle, you shall be changed---in that moment! For that is the moment that the eyes of your understanding are enlightened. When the eye of your mind twinkles, you become a millionaire at that very moment. You awaken to your potential. You can finally SEE!

You are magnets, but you're not magnetized. You need to find the teachings that can rub against you and ignite you. That's how you get fire started. Your things will not manifest until you can trick your mind into believing that they belong to you!



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# Principles of Life

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 70**

***Every  
belief has  
feelings. It  
is the feeling  
behind the  
belief that  
gives the  
belief its  
power.***

Once you can trick your mind into believing, let your mind go and travel. As Jesus said, "I go away to prepare a place for you, that where I am there ye may be also." The problem is that your mind has never gone away to the "place." Jesus was not talking about heaven when He spoke of going away "to prepare a place." I know that this is a favorite passage used at funerals, "I go away to prepare a place. Let not your heart be troubled. You believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house there are many mansions."

Jesus was just letting us know there are many dwelling places. Jesus went away to Calvary to prepare a place so that we can come boldly to the Throne of Grace, and now we are seated in heavenly places with Christ Jesus.

Your mind needs to go to the next place. You need to see yourself in the picture of that which you desire. It must become a reality within the realm of your imagination. I'm already living in the house I'm believing God for. I made an actual visit once to place the photograph in my mind. And now I visit that place every night and prepare that place for my dwelling. Some of you pastors will get your building much quicker if you just knew how to tell your saints to pray!

The Bible says, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God." Notice it doesn't say "Seek ye first God." How many of you know a lot of poor folks that have sought God but remained poor? When you seek the Kingdom, then you'll understand how the laws of the government of that Kingdom operate. "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all of these things shall be added."

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# Principles of Life

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 71**

***There are  
basically  
two ways to  
approach  
the  
Kingdom:  
Get in align-  
ment with it  
or resist it!***

Those "things" cannot be added until you seek first the Kingdom! Whatever you are seeking, the same thing is seeking you. That's why Jesus said, "Seek and you shall find; knock and the door will be opened. Ask and it shall be given." Many of you don't find because you don't dare to seek. You can't get the feelings until you get the details.

Some of you will never get a car because you just say, "I want a car." That's the end of your effort, and the end of your search. Taxis, you've got. Your mind has already settled it, and it's done. But in order for you to get the blessings of God manifested in your life, you're going to have to labor in prayer. And I don't mean working your behind, but working your mind.

Paul gave us the key to our change and transformation very clearly. We've read it, but we don't really believe it. He said, "I beseech you therefore brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world, but be ye transformed." (Romans 12:1)

The first Rolls Royce I ever rode in was with Pastor Carolyn Harrell. And she didn't realize it, but she inspired me to get a vision to believe for a Rolls. See, I needed to sit in hers when we went to California. And as we drove in hers, I would begin to pray, "Oh, thank You Jesus! One day..."

But then I came to an understanding that "one day" wasn't going to get it. I hate to break this bad news to you, but "one day" is a thief whose partner is "someday." They're thieves because they're masters of delusion. They do not exist. The earth functions on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,

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# Principles of Life

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 72**

***Alignment  
means  
accepting  
the natural  
way in  
which the  
Kingdom  
functions  
and living  
our lives by  
the Kingdom  
principles.***

Thursday, Friday and Saturday. But where is "someday" and "one day?"

That's why we, as Black people, keep singing on a perpetual treadmill....We shall overcome "someday." Now the fact that we're singing, "We Shall Overcome" means we haven't overcome, so we're still in slavery! And we keep singing the same

old merry-go round, expecting different results. Who's kidding who?

Can't you see the bondage? The devil robs you because he leaves you in a place of wondering; looking for "someday" and "one day." And they never appear! Now that you are crucified with Christ, nevertheless you live. Take up the cross and follow Him! You've got two thieves standing beside you; one on the right and one on the left. One is named "The Past" and the other is called "The Future." Both of them are thieves! One tells you, "You can't have because of what you came from." The other one tells you, "One day things will be better." And as you're hanging there, caught in your moment of destiny, tell your "mother" to behold the Son! Allow your subconscious to see Jesus--to see God. To see that with Him, nothing is impossible to them that believe!!

True faith says "now." The only God we know is I AM. Anyone named "I Will Be" is an idol. The number ten is the number of God. When you look at the letter "I" or "Yud", which is the tenth letter of the alphabet, you'll find that it starts the I AM in Hebrew. Ten is the number of perfection; the number of completion. Ten is also the number one. Ten is also the number of God. Though seven is the number of perfection, so

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# Principles of Life

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 73**

***Alignment  
usually  
will  
produce  
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non-align-  
ment usually  
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discomfort.***

is ten. These are some of the basic tenets of biblical numerology.

Number nine ends a cycle, and ten starts the new cycle in numerical order. Now, you've got to look at this with the eye of a mystic. Behold the one and the zero, for the Lord our God is one God. "I am the Lord your God and besides Me, there is none other."

There is a time approaching that preachers are going to find themselves acting just like Jesus....they're going to get in trouble just like Jesus....because they're going to close the book. When Jesus came to the Temple, He closed the book. We're going to walk into a place in God where we will say, "This day, this Word is fulfilled." Preachers will begin to say, "I can't teach this any more. Let me just go ahead and display it." They will close the book, for the Spirit of the Lord is upon them. He has anointed them to preach the gospel to the poor..... and He closed the book.

The Pharisees and Saducees were angry with Jesus when He closed the book. The religious mind will become angry with you when you close the Bible, and have the nerve not to say "tomorrow" or "one day." The religious mind is addicted to "someday." The religious minds were angry with Jesus and wanted to thrust Him over a cliff!

Luke 4:19 states, "...*To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down (they were staring at him).*"



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# Principles of Life

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 74**

***The mastery of the law of cause and effect is a key principle in understanding how the universe and our lives work.***

Do you not know that the church has been left gazing? The church has been still looking up! Yet the angels said, "Why stand ye here gazing?" We've been looking so hard, and yet, how few ever really see?

The religious mind fights a true revelation of the Christ. The religious mind seeks to identify Jesus. "Is not this Joseph's son?" If you take on your mother's name, you're lame from the womb. But if you take on your true name, when you understand your true name and your real name, then you understand that you didn't come from your natural mother and father, but you only came through them.

Verse 28 continues by saying, "*And all they in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath.*"

If you start preaching this revelation, you're going to cause some people to be filled with wrath!

Verse 29-30 further states, "*And rose up, and thrust him out of the city, and led him unto the brow of the hill whereon their city was built, that they might cast him down headlong. But he passing through the midst of them went his way.*"

Either Jesus dematerialized or He moved right through them. Can I suggest to you that His mind did not see what they saw. He didn't see Himself tossed over a cliff. He saw Himself moving through the midst of His enemies. Jesus' mind went away to prepare "a place" and the place was on the other side! Do not allow people to determine your destiny!

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# Principles of Life

Bishop E. Bernard Jordan

Prophetic Principle  
# 75

***Every  
individual  
volunteers  
for the cir-  
cumstances  
they find  
themselves  
in, whether  
good or bad.***

You will only encounter frustration when you attempt to live outside of the principles of God. The spine teaches us the necessity of proper alignment. All it takes is for one bone, ligament, tendon or muscle to get out of line and we experience varying degrees of pain with our physical bodies. How much more will we encounter difficulties in life when we do not align ourselves with the laws of God?

This may mean transforming many of the belief systems we have adopted. It requires an acceptance of the unknown; the embracing of change as a catalyst to our betterment rather than responding to change as our enemy.

Most of our prayer time is wasted in an attempt to derive comfort out of situations that are not in alignment with the laws of God. We have been given all things pertaining to life and godliness. Jesus said that He came to give us life and that more abundantly. Yet many of us are still caught in a morass of discomfort.

Why is that? Because we have not sought the kingdom of God and His righteousness. We have not allowed His laws to permeate every facet of our lives. His law must filter into the membrane of our humanistic logistical thinking and become rooted in our thought patterns. This is the only way that we will actualize the promises of God in our lives.

Be not deceived, for God is not mocked. Whatsoever a man soweth, so shall he also reap. You're going to get exactly what you sow. Therefore, think before you act, for every action will reap a reaction. You must assess the harvest that you are willing to reap.

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# Principles of Life

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 76**

***Every circumstance we enter has come to transform the beliefs, patterns, and feelings that have both given rise to and grown out of those circumstances.***

There are no victims; only volunteers. You volunteered for whatever state you're in. The Bible says you prophesy according to the proportion of your faith. You cannot even prophesy outside of the realm of your faith. You believed for your present circumstances. That's why they have appeared. Even the negative situations somewhere inside you, whether consciously or unconsciously, you believed an image and nurtured it until it manifested.

Your belief system determines whether you're a victim or a victor. Your BS identifies whether you're a victim or if you are victorious. The opposite of avoidance is awareness. You must release in order to increase. Primarily, you're going to have to overcome people.

I've learned a law about people. I've learned something about exits. They're not the tragedies that so many of us fear, but they are springboards to destiny. Learn to welcome exits in your life. When a person walks out of your life, welcome it, because you're getting ready for new entries. An exit is always balanced by a new entry.

Some of you have to shake off dead weight before you'll see new growth. Some of you have individuals in life that are dead ends. Just like your hair has dead ends, some of your relationships are the same way. You can't get new growth because of the dead ends that are there. Until you get rid of dead ends, you endanger the new growth. Dead ends become split ends that can ruin the entire shaft of hair. What does that tell you about dead end relationships? You've got to be free of objections, you've got to be free of pain, you got to be free of mind-sets and you've got to get rid of things that are standing in your way.

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# Principles of Life

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 77**

***There is a  
difference  
between  
having  
something  
and  
holding  
onto it.***

Some of you are holding things that God simply wants you to release. Having it is temporary, because it needs to go. You are holding it and by holding it, you are blocking your next season.

Sometimes we, as pastors, can hold on to people too long. Some of us hold on to friendships too long. There are two kinds of friends in your life. If they're not increasing you, they are decreasing you. It's time to discern the relationships in your life, for living the abundant life is a matter of choice. You must make informed and calculated choices in your life that are fueled by the knowledge of God and His law.

You have prayed for change, and confessed your belief. But it is now time that you get out of the valley of poor decisions that keep you trapped in the mentality of "average," and reach for the realm of excellence that will reflect the fact that you and your Father are one. Awaken to your true identity, and demonstrate His ability in the earth, for you do have the mind of Christ!



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# Putting on the Mantle of Your Leader

Bishop E. Bernard Jordan

Prophetic Principle  
# 78

***Your  
mentor  
will inflict  
the greatest  
amount  
of pain in  
your life.***

Most people who aspire to ministry will yearn for the anointing; eager to do great exploits in God. They often feel that this tremendous, supernatural flow of anointing is a transaction just between them and God.....but it isn't.

When God calls an individual, He calls them into a place of service. He may give you a quick glimpse of the end result, but all who desire to walk in the anointing of God must be ready to enter the school of the Holy Ghost, where He, as the Teacher, sovereignly places you into the role of a servant.

God makes servants who then become leaders. When you are moving in zeal without knowledge, you will want to skip this step, for it is a season of humility as you allow a mentor's hand to mold and shape your life. In the process of this grueling season of preparation, there is a transference that is supposed to take place. As a mentor pours into his protégé, their spirit and their mantle of anointing is transferred.

The mentoring process can be quite painful. I often tell folks that your mentor will inflict the greatest amount of pain in your life. Yet if you can become as a trained athlete, and push past the pain, and steadfastly discern your goal, which is the attainment of the purpose of God, you will apprehend the mantle of anointing that is so highly desired.

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# Putting on the Mantle of Your Leader

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 79**

***Understand  
the power  
of an exit.***

Many people become frustrated and abort the mentoring process. All too often, people just get up and walk away. Or, their ambition and lack of the understanding of the principles of authority will cause them to initiate church splits or bitter arguments that last for years and years.

Pastors should never strain against an individual who desires to leave their church. Let them go. You can know they are stepping out of the will of God, but release them to the Holy Ghost. He can drive home a point much better than any of us!

I remember a particular incident where a group of people left our church to follow another prophet about two years ago. We didn't say a word. We gave everyone their desired release. Once a person tell us that they want to go, we won't hold them in place with threats or hard counsel. If anyone tells us that they feel as if they want to leave, we send them ...with our deepest blessings!

Aren't we afraid of losing members? Of course not. We understand the power of exit, for when an exit occurs, there will also be a new entrance. There's a difference between holding and having members. If someone is staying in your church just because you told them they have to on the strength of your authority, or you threatened them with the judgment of God, all you will ever have sitting in your church is a shell of a body. The person's heart will be far from you. You may force them into obedience, but you'll never win their submission.

If you have taught the principles of spiritual protocol to your congregation, there will be a sensitivity and awareness of

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# Putting on the Mantle of Your Leader

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 80**

***You're  
not truly  
moving in  
the Holy  
Ghost until  
people  
believe  
that you're  
a cult!***

God within them that will allow the Holy Ghost to bring the conviction in due season. With this particular group, they began to see that their appetite for the supernatural led them into a situation where they began to see for themselves that a lot of things in that particular ministry were blatantly out of order. Like the prodigal son, they came to themselves, and they realized that they were out of order! They ended up returning and rejoining the church.

Whenever this happens, I always make the individuals return openly and publicly. I make note of it in the ears of the congregation with a comment like, "Oh! You're back! What happened?" We don't penalize them, but it's important that the lessons they have learned be acknowledged for all to see. Often, when this occurs, you'll have someone that will be grateful to you for life. Even if their due season of leaving arrives, and they leave correctly, they will be forever grateful. They'll come and tell you how much they appreciate the discipline you built within them.

Pastors, you will never know how wild and rebellious your church actually is until you begin teaching Spiritual Protocol. There's something about the principles of authority that will cause the termites to surface out of the woodwork!

And don't be afraid of teaching about authority. It is a controversial subject that usually provokes accusations of cultism and heresy, but nevertheless, it is the way of God. You're not truly moving in the Holy Ghost until people believe that you're a cult! We help people with that ... we tell them we are a cult! The word "cult" simply means "a community of worship." It is the root word of "culture." The church is a community of

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# Putting on the Mantle of Your Leader

Bishop E. Bernard Jordan

Prophetic Principle  
# 81

***Whenever  
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stay behind,  
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discern  
whether that  
is a test or a  
command.***

believers, is it not? And as the ekklesia of God, the church must stand as a community that is called out to apprehend the laws of the Kingdom of God.

II Kings 2:1 states, *"And it came to pass, when the LORD would take up Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind, that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal. And Elijah said unto Elisha, Tarry here, I pray thee: for the Lord hath sent me to Bethel."*

Notice that Elisha's mentor told him to stay behind. Whenever your mentor tells you to stay behind, you must discern whether that is a test or a command. If you're locked into destiny, you will respond as Elisha and say, "I can't stay behind. I will not leave thee."

II Kings 2:2 continues, *"And Elisha said unto him, As the LORD liveth, and as thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. So they went down to Bethel. And the sons of the prophets that were at Bethel came forth to Elisha."*

Evidently, Elisha was Elijah's adjutant. Here's another sacred cow for us to address. The second man never possesses a position while the first man is still alive. One of the problems in the church with assistant pastors is that most assistants think that their ultimate goal is to be first. You must become fulfilled in the second position. You can't yearn after your pastor's seat, or crave to receive your pastor's honor.

The person that plays baseball doesn't successfully play second base nurturing the desire to play first base. The second baseman is comfortable in his assigned position. And what has happened in the church is that many people become ambitious



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# Putting on the Mantle of Your Leader

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 82**

***The individuals that usually start out with you in ministry will not be the ones that will necessarily ascend with you or see you when you go up.***

and resist their setting. You must remain set in your assigned place until you fulfill the will of God.

II Kings 2:3 further states, "... *Knowest thou that the LORD will take away thy master from thy head to day? And he said, Yea, I know it; hold ye your peace.*"

Notice that all the prophets knew that Elijah would be taken away, yet it seems as though only the prophet Elisha was with him when it actually happened. This gives us an interesting key that pastors should remember. Many will know that you are about to ascend but will not witness your ascension. The individuals that usually start out with you in ministry will not be the ones that will necessarily ascend with you or see you when you go up.

One of the reasons that they don't see you when you go up is because they're not able to say, "My father, my father." They have not seen themselves connected to you for life. They have not given you the weight of a father in their lives. They are harboring a desire within to eventually leave.

I Kings 19:19 states, "*So he departed thence, and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen before him, and he with the twelfth; and Elijah passed by him, and cast his mantle upon him.* (KJV)."

The mantle was cast upon Elisha, not when he went up, but while he was walking with the prophet. I believe that the mantle Elijah cast wasn't some spiritual manifestation of anointing, but I believe that the mantle was simply Elijah's luggage. He cast his coat into the hands of Elijah and gave him the oppor-

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# Putting on the Mantle of Your Leader

**Bishop E. Bernard Jordan**

**Prophetic Principle  
# 83**

***If you  
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tunity to serve. Elisha job was to serve Elijah. If you believe that you were called to minister, your job is to serve.

Your job is service! There's a lot of times that individuals come to our church and show us their credentials. They have been pastors at other churches. I appreciate their background. That's nice, that's neat, and that's sweet. But when people come to Zoe Ministries, credentials of the past do not mean we will receive them as a minister today.

Most of those that come from former leadership must sit down for a season just because they are carrying the spirit of their former leader. It is necessary for them to sit and get the spirit and vision of this house. That's of primary importance. Bringing someone to the forefront with a different vision is just a di-vision. Adivision is two visions. As a Bishop and the Senior Pastor of this church, it is necessary for me to live in those who minister to the people of this church.

You cannot serve if you cannot follow your master's footsteps. Elisha followed Elijah regardless of how many times Elijah himself tempted him to leave. Elisha would always answer, "As thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee."

To all who aspire to walk in ministry, I have a serious word of counsel for you. In order for you to be successful in assisting or working with the leadership of any church, you must make the leader your priority. Your loyalty will be tested.

Pastors, here's some excellent loyalty tests. Ask those that are serving to do something that you know they hate to do, and watch to see if they can effectively perform without their spirit

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**Prophetic Principle  
# 84**

***You  
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being displayed. Purposely offend them. Send them out, and say, "Go and prophesy to these over here." See if your protégé can separate their offense from their calling to serve. Offense is simply undigested revelation of a truth that God is trying to impart to a rigid mind. People get offended because they cannot digest a truth they were not ready for, so they decide that it stinks. In reality, the fragrance of truth is a wonderful thing.

The Apostle Paul lets us know that we are "...crucified with Christ, nevertheless we live, yet not us, but Christ that liveth in us." "Christ" means "the anointed one." When God puts you under a leader, he is your "anointed one." Your leader stands as a "Christ" in your life. Paul said, "Follow me as I follow Christ."

It is here at this critical juncture that many accost the true servant by saying, "You mean to tell me you're following a man? I don't follow no man. They're not God. They're just like me." Yet the Scripture indicates that we must submit to someone. Anyone that doesn't follow a man is dangerous. A refusal to follow shows that they are out of control. They do not allow any man the power of influence in their lives.

Now, when we begin to understand this we must ask you, "Are you crucified with your leader, and yet live, yet not you, but your leader living in you?" The reception of the leader's spirit is implicitly shown in the Scriptures.

After Jesus was arrested, and Peter, in search of Jesus, showed up at the inn, the damsel, upon seeing Peter, recognized him, and she announced his identity. Peter attempted to deny his association with Jesus, but the damsel answered, "You

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sound like Him; your speech betrays you." Peter started cursing and swearing, but he had been crucified with Christ already. Christ was living in him.

When you receive the spirit of your leader, and your leader begins to live in you, then the life you now live, you will live by the faith of that son of God. Look at Acts 6, when hands were laid upon those that were to function as deacons. Steven and Philip started working miracles, yet they were deacons. The anointing that was upon Paul came upon them and they started moving in his apostolic anointing. They received his spirit.

They started doing the same work that the apostle was doing. Why? Because they walked in the revelation, "Yet not I, but Christ." Elisha had Elijah's spirit, so he was able to execute the same miracles that Elijah performed. Elisha did double the miracles. Elijah's spirit was so evident that people could recognize Elijah's spirit upon Elisha. They said, "The God of Elijah is also upon Elisha."

Gehazi served under Elisha. Yet when Elisha sent Gehazi to raise the Shunnamite's son from the dead, was the child resurrected? He followed Elisha's instructions to a "t," but could not perform the miracle. Why? Perhaps Elisha was not living in him. If Elisha was truly living in Gehazi, he should have been able to perform the miracle. Gehazi should have been able to work miracles by the faith of that son of God who loved him.

Someone once said, "Success is not success unless there is a successor." Pastors, you need to ask yourselves, "Who am I living in? Who will keep me alive in the earth after I leave here?" I am making preparation to minister from the other side



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**Prophetic Principle  
# 86**

***Are you  
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because I am preparing me a body. You have to understand this spiritually. There are men that I am looking at and saying, "Which body will I prepare to live in after I depart?"

Elisha had a double portion of Elijah's spirit. Can I tell you that Elijah was still in the earth working miracles after he had gone up because he had prepared an "Elisha?" Elisha was trying to prepare Gehazi, but Gehazi would not allow Elisha entry into his body. That anointing ended up in the grave with Elisha's bones.

When your mentor lives in you, you never go anywhere alone. You won't even be standing there. You'll be just transacting the business, but it will be their wisdom operating in you and through you. If you're a senior pastor, and you can't tell me who you will live in after you leave here, that means you are not successful. You cannot have a success without a successor. The future really tests whether you were successful or not.

Elisha sought his master's spirit. How many times have you sent people to do things, and they failed? Did you wonder why? Simple; you were not living in them.

I Kings 10:1 *"And when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon concerning the name of the LORD, she came to prove him with hard questions."*

There are a lot of people that are anointed in the world, but people are not going to see them because they have not heard of their fame. When I went to the king's palace in Swaziland, at first, when I heard a man begin to shout the praises of the king, I thought he was out of order in the church. But I later realized

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that he was a herald. As the king was about to walk in, his job was to rehearse the greatness of the king in the ears of the people to build their faith in his leadership.

Pastors, your ministers should act as your praise leaders. If you don't have leaders in your church that are praising you, your church is not going to go anywhere. I watched as this man did nothing but rehearse the victories of the king in the ears of the people. He continued to proclaim until the king took his seat. As they introduced the king, the man began to shout, "Blessed be the king who has done ...". That person was paid to sing the praises of the king. When I saw that, I got a revelation.

There should be people that are assigned that should be able to get up and say, "Blessed is the Bishop who has prophesied that out of Arkansas that a leader of America would come forth. Blessed is the man who has prophesied the fall of the Russian government. Blessed is the man of God who prophesied the collapse of the wall between East and West Germany. Blessed is the man who has prophesied life and liberation to the Sharpeville Six, and prophesied that they would live when they were about to be hung. Blessed is the prophet of God who speaks into the destinies of nations." The purpose of spreading the fame of the leader is to build faith in the hearer, for faith comes by hearing.

The problem, especially among us "Pentecostal" folks of the Black church, is that we religiously say, "We don't give praises to no man". But public relations is very important. Miracles cannot happen without public relations. I was wondering why we hear of such tremendous miracles in ministries such as Oral

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**Prophetic Principle  
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Roberts and, Benny Hinn, yet within the Black church we weren't hearing of them by the same measure. And I realized that the difference is that someone was praising them for the works they were doing, and continuously built faith in the ears of the people.

Those ministries do the same thing the king of Swaziland does, but they had it packaged a different way. All of you are anointed. Some of you have some accurate words of prophecy in you, and some of you have done great things in the kingdom of God. Yet your ministries have not blossomed like an Oral Roberts. What is the problem? You do not publicize what God has done through you. You call it humility, but God calls it stupidity.

There are people in our church who are assigned to monitor the prophetic utterances in the church. My wife got up and prophesied that a plane was going to fall out of the sky. She prophesied that, "There's something going on in the airways and there's a plane that is falling out of the sky." And three hours after she prophesied, the plane went down. We're collecting all of these prophetic words for the purpose of publicizing them. We are developing a team that will be paid just to record and recite the awesomeness of the Word of the Lord just to build faith in other people. Are the people hearing of your fame? Or are they subject to the the slanderers that whisper and shame your name?

The Queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon concerning the Name of the LORD, and she came to prove him with hard questions. Can I tell you that perhaps Solomon had a revelation of the Name of the Lord which is "I AM." Could it be

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# 89**

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that the Queen of Sheba may have heard that the I AM had manifested and called Himself "Solomon?" Remember, people will come to see you just over the Name of your Lord. They're coming now to prove you with hard questions.

They want to see if I AM is manifesting Himself through you. I AM the Way, the Truth and the Life. I AM is God. I AM shows up and calls Himself "Jesus." I AM the Light of the world. You are the light of the world. You are a city that is set upon a hill. When God said, "Light be," what He was really saying is "You be." He wasn't saying sun, moons and stars. They were created on the fourth day. You are light. You were there from the beginning. Before you were formed in your mother's belly, He knew you.

God says, "As a matter of fact, I already had ordination with you way back in the past. You are ancient." God is not sitting in heaven as an old man with a beard. He is forever young. He sits in heaven, and He changes not. He looks like He did the very day He created. He created Adam in His image and in His likeness, and He's forever young.

Verse 2-3 states, *"And she came to Jerusalem with a very great train, with camels that bare spices, and very much gold, and precious stone; and when she was come to Solomon, she communed with him of all that was in her heart. And Solomon told her all her questions; there was not any thing hid from the king, which he told her not."*

Solomon was not operating by natural wisdom. I believe that God moved through Solomon. The queen came there over the Name of the LORD. She came with hard questions, and there was nothing hidden.



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Verse 4 further states, *"And when the queen of Sheba had seen all Solomon's wisdom, and the house that he had built..."*

Pastors, when people come to your church, they're coming to see your wisdom. That's why I'm so hard on my church about packaging. When the queen of Sheba comes, she'll underwrite the tab when she sees your wisdom. Her offering is determined by what she sees. Some of you won't raise good offerings because of what is seen. There's no wisdom on display.

The atmosphere you worship in determines how you give. I knew of a church a professional ball player was attending. He was a man who had the potential to bless that church with millions of dollars. Yet he left the church. Why? Because he sat there for one solid year staring at a hole in the ceiling that no one took the initiative to fix. The man was faithfully tithing, and knew that there was no reason for a hole to remain in the ceiling. He counted it an insult for him to continue to worship in that atmosphere. You cannot worship in anything less than what you live in.

The queen came to see Solomon's wisdom and the house that he had built. Can I tell you that this was not his sanctuary, but it was his living quarters? You should build your own house before you build the house of God. When the queen of Sheba comes, if she's going to really leave a sizable gift, you're going to have to do more than impress her at the worship service.

Verse 5 continues, *"...and the meat of his table."*



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She noticed what his diet was like, and she watched the sitting of his servants. In other words, she was watching the ushers, and she watched their attendance. She was watching whether they were slouching in their seats, or if they were attentive to the message being taught by their pastor. She watched the attendance of his ministers, and their apparel.

When an individual picks me up from the airport, they've got to be dressed. I had one person show up in sneakers and jeans. I said, "You can't walk with me today." They said, "Why not?" I answered, "I cannot let you escort me like that. If you were called to escort the mayor or the president, you would not attend them dressed like that. So why do you insult me? Your apparel is not right. Your clothing shows that you don't even know who I am. My identity escapes you. You don't understand the office of the bishop as a prince in the church. Who do you say that I am?"

Pastors, don't allow anyone to hang around you whose dress is not appropriate. You never know when the queen of Sheba is coming to inspect you. When she comes, she's not only looking at you, but she's looking at the apparel of your servants.

Verse 5 continues, "...and his cupbearers, and his ascent by which he went up unto the house of the LORD; there was no more spirit in her."

The queen was so overwhelmed by what she saw that she passed out.

Verse 6 says, "And she said to the king, It was a true report

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**Prophetic Principle  
# 92**

***Pastors,  
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come to  
your church,  
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to see your  
wisdom.***

*that I heard in mine own land of thy acts and of thy wisdom."*

Have you've ever noticed that when you go into a rich neighborhood, their windows are open? You can look into their homes and view their wisdom. In poor communities, the windows are closed. Did you ever wonder why?

Verse 7 states, "*Howbeit I believed not the words, until I came, and mine eyes had seen it: and, behold, the half was not told me: thy wisdom and prosperity exceedeth the fame which I heard.*"

And then she noticed something about Solomon's servants. She said, "Happy are thy men." You know why they were happy? Solomon's wisdom was present. When wisdom is present, happiness is available. And happiness comes because of happenings.

Verse 8 says, "*Happy are thy men, happy are these thy servants, which stand continually before thee, and that hear thy wisdom.*"

The Queen of Sheba is coming to see your wisdom. She's coming to see your appearance. She wants to see what kind of car you drive. She's not going to leave a million dollar offering if you're driving a Toyota. The rich do not sit under individuals that are beneath them.

It was important that I bought a Rolls Royce. Rolls Royce folks wouldn't start sitting in my church until I got mine. Now I'm believing for an estate where I can just park at least two Rolls. And those that get offended are supposed to leave and

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vacate their seat for those that won't get offended and are supposed to occupy it. The queen of Sheba gave because of what she saw. Solomon was a rich man.

She gave him millions of dollars, according to the estimation of what her gifts would be worth today. Wealth begets wealth. That's why we tell people not to give money to the poor. Give them food or clothing, or meet their actual need. You give wisdom to the poor. They don't know what to do with money. Why give them something and they don't know what to do with it?

I don't lend my friends to people that don't know how to handle my friend. Money is my friend. Would you send your friend to people that would abuse them? Your friend won't come back to you. They'll say, "You have lost my friendship." I will not take my money and give my money to individuals that don't know how to increase what I have given them.

Elisha prayed to Elijah, *"Let a portion of thy spirit be upon me."* (II Kings 9) *He loved to be with his master, and now he seeks to be like him. You have to hang around whatever you want to be. You've got to sow into anything you want in your life and extract from it. Every believer has the common portion of the Spirit. Romans 8:9 says "But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his."*

How few seem to have the double portion. Elisha's double portion was not referring to the Holy Spirit, because there is no such thing. The Holy Spirit is immeasurable. God's Spirit is without end. Elisha received a double portion of Elijah's spirit.



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Elisha had to follow his master over Jordan, the place of death, to see him taken up. Before Christ lives in us, we die with Him. You've got to see the elevation of your mentor before you can go places. You got to see him when he goes up. Your vision has got to die, or you've got to die with your mentor.

There's got to be a real marriage between the mentor and the protegee'. There must be a covenantal bond forged in the crucible of relationship. The only time a man is told to love another man is in covenant relationship. If a man's wife is not careful and does not understand the spirit of the relationship, and the devil steals her heart, she will start reading that relationship incorrectly. The Bible says that Jonathan loved David, and that his love surpassed that of the love of a woman. That can only transpire in covenant.

You will know that the devil is challenging the covenant when your mate says, "You spend more time with Bishop than you do with me. Why don't you just move in with the Bishop, since you live over there anyway?" That is when you know that you have entered into covenant. The world would take that and try to pervert it. John laid on Jesus' breast. Lay your head on your mentor's breast, and tell me what rumor they'll be spreading about you!

Yet when this type of covenant occurs, your spirits become joined. You become of one mind. You can be in another state, and think the same thing. Manifest your master's likeness. You'll know when you've entered that realm when people say you sound like your leader. You're quoting the same principles that he's quoting. You walk like him. You look like him, and you stand like him. What's going on? You've got your leader's spirit, and he's living in you.

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# The Mystique of Money

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Prophetic Principle  
# 95

***God  
desires  
for you to  
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1. God desires for you to prosper.

**III John 1:2**

*Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.*

One of the biggest obstacles we have yet to overcome is the religious notion that equates poverty with piety; as though God desired for His people to live in a continual state of want and need. Ignorance mixed with religiosity has created an enigma--a mystery of the gospel which has remained hidden to most of us for generations.

The fact is, that when Jesus first announced His call to the ministry, He began with a very obvious implication; "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me to preach the gospel to the poor." We can all agree that the gospel means "good news," therefore, Jesus wanted to bring good news to the poor--that they didn't have to be poor any more! It becomes overwhelmingly apparent that God does not get any joy out of our lack, for Jesus came to give us life, and that more abundantly!

2. Make friends with mammon of unrighteousness.

**Luke 16:9**

*And I say unto you, Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness; that, when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations.*

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These are the words of Jesus. He has commanded us to make friends with mammon of unrighteousness. In other words, we are to make friends with dirty money! We need to know how to use the avenues of revenue that are brought into our path, becoming friends, yet never entering into a covenantal relationship with those that are unrighteous.

We are to use the minds that God gave us, for He wants us to be wise as serpents and harmless as doves. Jesus Himself said that the children of this world are wiser in their generation than the children of light. There is a wisdom which must be pursued in the handling of money.

3. Understand money, but do not be controlled by it.

**Matthew 6:24**

*No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.*

Money is the only substance that Jesus placed on the same level as God. He said, "Serve God or mammon." Money should be understood for the power it exerts, and because we are called to multiply the substance which God places in our hands. Yet money must never supplant God as our Lord and Saviour. Our dependency must always rest upon Him with whom we have to do.

4. Wealth grows where men exert energy.

**Proverbs 13:4**

*The soul of the sluggard desireth, and hath nothing; but the soul of the diligent shall be made fat.*

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If energy is not exerted, money cannot grow. It will stagnate. It will rot and diminish before your eyes. Multiplication of money requires the energy of thought and labor. Wealth is a reward for wisdom in action.

5. Opportunity wastes no time with the unprepared.

**Matthew 25:1-10**

*Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom. And five of them were wise, and five were foolish. They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them: But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept. And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out. But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves. And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.*

Opportunities will pass those who are not prepared to take advantage of the harvest. Like the ten virgins, only five were in a state of readiness, while the other five missed their opportunity to feast with the king...all because they were unprepared. The king was not about to inconvenience himself waiting for them to get their act together. No, the show went on and they missed their moment. How many times have you missed your moment in life because you were unprepared?



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6. Money is designed to work for you.

**Ecclesiastes 7:12**

*For wisdom is a defence, and money is a defence: but the excellency of knowledge is, that wisdom giveth life to them that have it.*

Money is designed to work on your behalf as your servant and will act as your defense against calamity. It is designed to be a tool of your increase and comfort. Money is a witness; it will tell the world of your wisdom or your foolishness.

7. Money is a means of exchange.

**Matthew 25:27**

*Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury.*

8. A part of everything you earn is yours to keep.

**Ecclesiastes 2:8-10**

*I gathered me also silver and gold, and the peculiar treasure of kings and of the provinces: I gat me men singers and women singers, and the delights of the sons of men, as musical instruments, and that of all sorts. So I was great, and increased more than all that were before me in Jerusalem: also my wisdom remained with me. And whatsoever mine eyes desired I kept not from them, I withheld not my heart from any joy; for my heart rejoiced in all my labour: and this was my portion of all my labour.*

You should always pay yourself. If you do not pay yourself, you are operating like a slave. A portion of everything you receive should be set aside so that it can multiply on your behalf and

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increase your stature in life. A good rule of thumb is to pay your tithes and pay yourself at the same time.

9. Wealth is not determined by the amount a man has in his hands, but by his ability to create more substance.

## **Ecclesiastes 2:13-15**

*Then I saw that wisdom excelleth folly, as far as light excelleth darkness. The wise man's eyes are in his head; but the fool walketh in darkness: and I myself perceived also that one event happeneth to them all. Then said I in my heart, As it happeneth to the fool, so it happeneth even to me; and why was I then more wise? Then I said in my heart, that this also is vanity.*

True wealth is a demonstration of the wisdom that resides within a man's mind. If you are able to think, strategize and plan, your wealth will increase according to the proportion of your wisdom. Likewise, if you are a poor planner and fail to make wise decisions, your poverty will increase according to the proportion of your foolishness.

10. Wealth is reserved for those who understand its laws.

## **I Kings 4:30**

*And Solomon's wisdom excelled the wisdom of all the children of the east country, and all the wisdom of Egypt.*

Wealth will elude the foolish. If you are ignorant of the laws of wealth, you will still suffer the same consequences or experience the same prosperity when you stumble into one of the laws by happenstance. The laws of wealth operate for the righteous and the unrighteous. God will cause it to rain on the just and the unjust.



# The Mystique of Money

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**Prophetic Principle  
# 100**

***Money  
is designed  
to work  
for you.***

11. Money is currency and currency is designed to flow.

**Ecclesiastes 5:13-14**

*There is a sore evil which I have seen under the sun, namely, riches kept for the owners thereof to their hurt.*

*But those riches perish by evil travail: and he begetteth a son, and there is nothing in his hand.*

Money is at its best when it is not hoarded, but when it is allowed to properly circulate in your life. The power of money is wasted when it is laid up without a purpose.

12. Money works most diligently for those who can apply it to profitable work.

**Matthew 25:16**

*Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made them other five talents.*

Money is designed to sustain the ideas of wise men and reward them with profit. Money will follow lucrative ideas because money loves to increase. Money seeks the level of man's wisdom, and will not increase beyond that barrier.

13. Money slips away from the unskillful.

**Proverbs 3:5-6**

*Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.*

Like a woman, the persona of money must be courted. Money will cleave to those who treat her with care, and will flee from those who are rude and ignorant towards her. There are authorities in the earth concerning money. When the unskillful

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fail to sit at the feet of masters, they convince money that they are not only ignorant but unwilling to learn. The intelligence of money demands that money leaves when she is disrespected.

14. You must TITHE!

**Malachi 3:8**

*Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.*

Ten percent of every dollar that comes into your possession belongs to God...without exception. You are commanded to give that 10% to God because it belongs to Him...it doesn't even belong to you. Tithing is absolutely the most crucial foundation in understanding how to manage money. Tithing is a law that must be obeyed before you will ever experience lasting wealth.

15. The firstfruit is your key to financial breakthrough!

**Malachi 3:10**

*Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.*

Giving the firstfruit--the tithe--positions you for the blessings of the Lord that maketh rich and addeth no sorrow. The Scripture says that the windows of heaven are opened, in other words, the windows (your eyes) of heaven (your understanding) will open, and ideas will be given that will produce wealth on your behalf.



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16. If your tithe is not released, you have not given God an offering.

**Deuteronomy 14:22**

*Thou shalt truly tithe all the increase of thy seed, that the field bringeth forth year by year.*

It is impossible to give what doesn't belong to you. The tithe is not a gift; it is a law. It is a commandment. It already belongs to God. You are compelled to place yourself in the way of obedience to the law of God. Anything beyond the tithe qualifies as an offering. In other words, your giving begins at 11%.

17. Whatever position you are in is a direct result of the dime.

**Malachi 3:11**

*And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts.*

God requires 10 cents out of each dollar. Your financial status testifies to your obedience or disobedience of the law of God. If you are in financial captivity, check your tithing. If your tithing is secure, then you need to check to see if you are violating any other law of God. For instance, if you have made a vow unto God, did you keep it? (Ecclesiastes 5:1-7) Are you involved in any type of sexual sin? (Proverbs 6:26) Remember that there are laws concerning wealth that will bring retribution when broken.

18. There is a wild beast crouching at your door, waiting for your moment of disobedience!

**Malachi 3:9**

*Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation.*

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## **Malachi 3:11**

*And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts.*

This scripture literally indicates that there is a wild beast crouching at your door, waiting to avenge your disobedience to God, retrieve that which belongs to God and devour your substance without your permission. You can think of it like a trained pit bull. Your disobedience yells "Sick 'em!," and the dog goes on attack. So when you refuse to tithe, your car suddenly breaks down and demands the money. Or you get sick. Or an unexpected bill appears. Or you get fired. The pressure is on, and the only recourse of wisdom is to bring yourself back into a place of covenantal obedience before God and tithe according to His commandment.

19. That which is food to God may be poison to men.

## **Malachi 3:18**

*Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not.*

The tithe is edible to God, yet will cause gross indigestion when it is spent upon the lusts of men. The tithe was designed to be brought into the storehouse of the Lord, not to be used to sustain your lifestyle. Mixing the tithe with your substance can be dangerous, because you cannot take that which is consecrated to God and place in other situations for which it was not ordained without grave consequences.

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20. Bring your gift to the altar.

**Matthew 5:23-24**

*Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee; Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.*

Once you discover that God has graced you with a gift that has the potential to create wealth, the first thing you should do is dedicate that gift before God. Get into covenant with Him, and ask for His wisdom to flow that will bless your endeavors.

21. Success is determined by obedience.

**Deuteronomy 4:30-31**

*When thou art in tribulation, and all these things are come upon thee, even in the latter days, if thou turn to the LORD thy God, and shalt be obedient unto his voice; (For the LORD thy God is a merciful God;) he will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which he sware unto them.*

Success is contingent upon your ability to submit to the laws of God. Success is accessible to all who will follow the law with diligence.

22. You must understand the law of sowing and reaping.

**II Corinthians 9:6**

*But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.*

There is no such thing as "overnight wealth." You must possess

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patience, and understand that there is also the law of sowing and reaping to contend with. You must give in order to receive. You must plant and await the harvest to grow. Sowing and reaping occurs in financial realms, also. You see this law operate in investments. You plant your money and await a return. And the process of time brings a harvest with interest.

23. God does not remain in the midst of an offering of disobedience.

**Acts 5:1**

*But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession,*

Offerings have a fragrance, and an offering of disobedience is offensive to God. It literally stinks in His nostrils. He will not bless it with His presence.

24. Dare to interrupt the cycle of your present to move into the cycle of your future.

**I Kings 17:11-16**

*And as she was going to fetch it, he called to her, and said, Bring me, I pray thee, a morsel of bread in thine hand. And she said, As the LORD thy God liveth, I have not a cake, but an handful of meal in a barrel, and a little oil in a cruse: and, behold, I am gathering two sticks, that I may go in and dress it for me and my son, that we may eat it, and die. And Elijah said unto her, Fear not; go and do as thou hast said: but make me thereof a little cake first, and bring it unto me, and after make for thee and for thy son. For thus saith the LORD God of Israel, The barrel of meal shall not waste, neither shall the cruse of oil fail, until the day that the LORD sendeth rain upon the earth.*



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And she went and did according to the saying of Elijah: and she, and he, and her house, did eat many days.

And the barrel of meal wasted not, neither did the cruse of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by Elijah.

You can continue doing the same things that you've been doing and remain at your present level, or you can change your approach and create a new cycle for your future. You must do something you've never done to obtain something you never had. Your seed will determine what you will come into.

25. Money exposes your character.

**Luke 12:34**

*For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.*

How you handle money will reveal your personal integrity or the lack thereof. If you are a worshipper of God, then your money will rest where your heart is. If your moneys are never sowed into the work of God, then you are not a lover of God from your heart.

Your treasure will rest where your heart is. They are indubitably linked because your money will follow your passion. If you have a love for people, your money will flow into the lives of others to bring empowerment, contentment and joy. But if your money is stagnant, and kept hidden away, never allowed to circulate, what does that say about your heart?

Money magnifies who you are, because it will allow you to be seen when you would otherwise be hidden. If you are essentially good, money will magnify your wisdom and righteous-

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ness. But if you are essentially evil, money will magnify your evil, and all will see your foolishness.

26. Money is the world's god.

**Luke 16:13**

*No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.*

The world is bound to the god of money--Mammon is his name. Mammon's wife--the labor god--dictates the behavior of individuals around the world. It will force people to leave their homes in the dead of night regardless of the weather, that its demands be met. It will force mothers to abandon their parental duties, so that money may be acquired. It will force people to tolerate behavior that insults their intelligence and destroys their self-esteem; that money may be obtained. It will force people to regiment their time in order that money be obtained.

The god of money rules the behavior of men who have not broken the control of its voice; the sound of need.

The world continuously asks questions, and money continues to answer their dilemmas.

27. Discern the seasons of God.

**Ecclesiastes 3:1-8**

*To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted; A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to*

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***There is  
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*mourn, and a time to dance; A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away; A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.*

"To everything there is a season..." is a literal truth, for everything is a byproduct of the law of sowing and reaping. One must discern the seasons of God to know what steps to take at particular times, so that you are not trying to plant flowers in the winter, and pick apples in the spring.

Seasons are also influenced by location, for when January comes, you can dress in shorts and tee shirts in Hawaii, but you better not dress that way in Maine. The seasons of God are also influenced by His divine placement of your life, and it is important to know which moves to make at which season in order to prosper and be in health.

28. Your seed determines your future.

**Genesis 8:22**

*While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.*

What you plant today will bring a harvest tomorrow, whether good or bad. Whether finances or actions. Everything you are experiencing today is the fruit of a seed that was sown in either your past or the past of former generations. Therefore it behooves you to calculate what you are sowing for the future.

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Are you sowing money to reap money? Are you sowing love to reap love? Are you sowing kindness to reap kindness? Or are you sowing sin to reap disaster?

29. Growth demands change.

**II Corinthians 3:18**

*But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.*

There is always a continual process of metamorphosis that is occurring in all phases of growth. There is a continual process of change. Some changes are more noticeable than others, but change is continual. You cannot have growth without having change. To cease growing one would have to accept the fridity of death....which mocks the desire to alleviate growth, for even death exacts the changes of putrefaction. Change is a fact of life that is inescapable. It cannot be alleviated through the demands of contentment, or it will succumb to the insinuation of decay.

30. Money is the easiest thing to replace.

**Genesis 41:51**

*And Joseph called the name of the firstborn Manasseh: For God, said he, hath made me forget all my toil, and all my father's house.*

The wisdom to acquire money will always produce more. This is why many millionaires may go bankrupt, but will reemerge as millionaires within a year or two of their devastation. Their millions are in their MINDS! Wisdom will always produce wealth. Wisdom produced money in the first place, and so it is always



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Prophetic Principle  
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***Success  
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obedience.***

replaceable if you follow the laws of reproduction.

31. Men fail because they lack the ability to organize details.

**Matthew 25:28**

*Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents.*

When you lack the ability to organize details, you leave yourself at the mercy of an unorganized mind, whose thoughts wander and meander into the path of least resistance.

32. Men fail because they lack humility in their service.

**Proverbs 11:2**

*When pride cometh, then cometh shame: but with the lowly is wisdom.*

Pride goes before a fall. When an individual becomes consumed with a haughty opinion about themselves, they will expect pay for what they think they know, rather than pay for what they actually produce. Pride places your mind into a state of delusion, causing reality to become distorted.

33. Men fail because they are harboring a fear of takeover.

**I Corinthians 13:4**

*Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,*

Insecurity invites its cousins of fear and envy that will cause you to hurt at another's success. Insecurity will block you from acknowledging that you need help, and lead you into the "Superman" trap. You'll be deluded into thinking that you can leap over tall buildings with a single bound, and bend steel with

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your bare hands because you are greater than everyone else. This attitude is treacherous and will guarantee your failure.

34. Men fail because their fear of being replaced will eliminate their ability to mentor.

## **I Kings 13:11-26**

*Now there dwelt an old prophet in Bethel; and his sons came and told him all the works that the man of God had done that day in Bethel: the words which he had spoken unto the king, them they told also to their father. And their father said unto them, What way went he? For his sons had seen what way the man of God went, which came from Judah. And he said unto his sons, Saddle me the ass. So they saddled him the ass: and he rode thereon, And went after the man of God, and found him sitting under an oak: and he said unto him, Art thou the man of God that camest from Judah? And he said, I am. Then he said unto him, Come home with me, and eat bread. And he said, I may not return with thee, nor go in with thee: neither will I eat bread nor drink water with thee in this place: For it was said to me by the word of the LORD, Thou shalt eat no bread nor drink water there, nor turn again to go by the way that thou camest. He said unto him, I am a prophet also as thou art; and an angel spake unto me by the word of the LORD, saying, Bring him back with thee into thine house, that he may eat bread and drink water. But he lied unto him. So he went back with him, and did eat bread in his house, and drank water. And it came to pass, as they sat at the table, that the word of the LORD came unto the prophet that brought him back: And he cried unto the man of God that came from Judah, saying, Thus saith the LORD, Forasmuch as thou hast disobeyed the mouth of the LORD, and hast not kept the commandment which the LORD thy God commanded thee, But*

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*camest back, and hast eaten bread and drunk water in the place, of the which the LORD did say to thee, Eat no bread, and drink no water; thy carcase shall not come unto the sepulchre of thy fathers. And it came to pass, after he had eaten bread, and after he had drunk, that he saddled for him the ass, to wit, for the prophet whom he had brought back. And when he was gone, a lion met him by the way, and slew him: and his carcase was cast in the way, and the ass stood by it, the lion also stood by the carcase. And, behold, men passed by, and saw the carcase cast in the way, and the lion standing by the carcase: and they came and told it in the city where the old prophet dwelt. And when the prophet that brought him back from the way heard thereof, he said, It is the man of God, who was disobedient unto the word of the LORD: therefore the LORD hath delivered him unto the lion, which hath torn him, and slain him, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake unto him.*

This attitude will cause you to hoard knowledge unto yourself in a vain attempt to appear superior to others. While you refuse to duplicate yourself, thinking that you are creating job security, in actuality, you're poisoning yourself with pride and breaking the law of sowing and reaping. If you sow wisdom, what will you reap?

35. Men fail because they lack imagination.

**Numbers 14:36-37**

*And the men, which Moses sent to search the land, who returned, and made all the congregation to murmur against him, by bringing up a slander upon the land, Even those men that did bring up the evil report upon the land, died by the plague before the LORD.*

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When you become too finite in your approach towards life, you become locked into the present level of expectation that exists within your own mind. You inadvertently stifle your ability to dream and see other perspectives.

36. Men fail because they do not cultivate their ability to dream and they remain a failure.

Your ability to dream must be enhanced through your own will coming into concert with God's will. The death of one dream is not a stigma of failure that should follow you for the rest of your life, but is simply a signal for you to continue to reach beyond yourself and become one with God in thought and creative ability.

37. Men fail because they are disloyal to those they serve and to those that serve them.

**II Kings 5:21**

*So Gehazi followed after Naaman. And when Naaman saw him running after him, he lighted down from the chariot to meet him, and said, Is all well?*

Disloyalty is a weed seed that will multiply sorrow in your life. Disloyalty is evidence that you are consumed with your own impure motivations, and you have selfishly sought your own benefit. Disloyalty will corrupt the bonds of covenantal relationship, and will destroy your link to destiny and purpose.

38. Men fail when they fall prey to the thief of time; procrastination.

Time must always be managed and respected. Procrastination



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is a form of rebellion; it is a sign that you are not 100% committed to the project at hand. Since rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, procrastination is evidence of your unsubmitted soul exerting control of a given situation.

39. Men fail because they lack self-control.

**II Samuel 11:3**

*And David sent and inquired after the woman. And one said, Is not this Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?*

If you cannot rule yourself, you'll never rule a city. If you cannot rule your home, you are disqualified from ruling in the House of the Lord. Rulership is progressive; the first level is yourself. If you are not under control, you will gravitate towards whatever path your desire demands; whether good or evil.

40. Men fail because they never learn to develop inward restraints.

Inward restraints must be developed within your own mind, for the mind is the place where decisions are made. Jesus lets us know that sin first occurs in the realm of thought, therefore, inward restraints must be placed upon the mind that will reject the thoughts that will misconstrue its actions as "otherness," and accept the thoughts that bring the mind into oneness with God.

41. Men fail because they are overcautious.

**Luke 15:25-31**

*Now his elder son was in the field: and as he came and drew*

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*nigh to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants, and asked what these things meant. And he said unto him, Thy brother is come; and thy father hath killed the fatted calf, because he hath received him safe and sound. And he was angry, and would not go in: therefore came his father out, and entreated him. And he answering said to his father, Lo, these many years do I serve thee, neither transgressed I at any time thy commandment: and yet thou never gavest me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends: But as soon as this thy son was come, which hath devoured thy living with harlots, thou hast killed for him the fatted calf. And he said unto him, Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine.*

Like the “eldest son,” one can be so consumed with caution, that they miss the reality of their true identity. The eldest son, while resentful of the celebration of the carousing youngest son who wasted his inheritance, never understood that all his father had was his. It was his all the time. Everything was his, even though he nurtured a grievance over a fatted calf.

42. Men fail because they are in the wrong location.

**II Kings 9:4**

*So the young man, even the young man the prophet, went to Ramothgilead.*

Location is important, because it affects the seasons and tides of your prosperity. If you are a furrier, you will not sell as many coats in the Fiji Islands as you would in Alaska. You must know your place of habitation.

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43. Men fail because they devalue their ideas.

**Job 3:25-26**

*For the thing which I greatly feared is come upon me, and that which I was afraid of is come unto me.*

*I was not in safety, neither had I rest, neither was I quiet; yet trouble came.*

Fear has torment, and will rob you of peace and prosperity. Every idea is worth money, but if you do not believe in its value, you'll never receive the key to work the field that your idea was called to prepare. Someone else will see what you refused to see, and they will reap where they have not sown.

44. You will always move towards the most dominant thought in your mind.

**Numbers 14:24**

*But my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it.*

If success dominates your thoughts, you will move towards success. If failure dominates, you will move towards failure. You are the sum of your thoughts. Riches always begin inside a man; never on the outside.

45. Any desire you hold in your mind will eventually seek an expression of its own.

**John 13:2**

*And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;*

The realm of thought is the realm of dimensional reality. What

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**Prophetic Principle  
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because they  
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you think already exists, for if you can see it, your sight is the proof of its existence. Whatever thought you hold in your mind already exists, but it is just a matter of time before it will manifest in the physical realm.

46. True wealth will only last when its based on truth and justice.

**Proverbs 10:22**

*The blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it.*

The blessing of the Lord is ordained to remain for those who operate in wisdom, truth and justice. Impure motives will corrupt wealth and cause it to flee, for eventually the "weed seeds" sown will produce a harvest of loss. When one is moving according to the laws of God, and in the wisdom of God, seeking the Kingdom of God first and His righteousness, then wealth will continuously grow and multiply for it is subject to the laws of the universe.

47. You must always have a definite aim.

**Matthew 25:24-25**

*Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strowed: And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, there thou hast that is thine.*

If you do not have a target or a goal, distractions will change your course in life. The story is told of a young man that wanted to know the secret of creating gold and silver. He was told by an old man that only one woman in the world knew the



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***Men fail  
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answer. The young man began a search that took him around the world for the next ten years as he searched for this woman and the answer to his question. He finally found the woman living in a castle on the side of a mountain, and he climbed his way to the wall of the castle, and scaled the wall, and after much difficulty with the guards, he managed to gain an audience with the woman. The woman, devastatingly beautiful, greeted him warmly, and told him he could only ask her one question, since her husband was away on an expedition and expected home soon.

The man proceeded to ask her, "What time is your husband coming home?" His ten year search for the secret of gold and silver proved to be an illusion, for evidently, the true thought in his mind was the lust for the woman which distracted him from his original stated purpose and caused him to waste ten years and the opportunity for greatness upon the base desires of his flesh. Moral of the story? Distraction is a thief.

48. Know the exact amount of money you want.

**Hebrews 11:1**

*Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.*

You can tell God the amount that you desire, but do not tamper with the powers of the universe that are gathering together to get your request in your hands. Don't become cemented into a particular way or method that your prayers must be answered. The way must be God's, while the faith must be yours.

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# 119**

***Men fail  
because they  
are disloyal  
to those they  
serve and to  
those that  
serve them.***

49. Determine what you will do to generate the money.

**Luke 16:8**

*And the lord commended the unjust steward, because he had done wisely: for the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light.*

You may have a plan for the generation of what you desire, but do not become limited by your plan. Explore every opportunity, but be willing and ready to accept a change on the agenda.

50. Establish a deadline for when you want the money to come in.

**Malachi 3:10**

*Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.*

A deadline brings your focus into covenant with the power of time. And while every covenant is tested, covenants made with God will stand the test of time and create a demand for fulfillment.

51. Determine what you will give in exchange for the money.

**Galatians 6:7**

*Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.*

Remember the laws of sowing and reaping. They are cyclical in nature. they never stop. If you reap, remember to plant again.

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# 120**

***Men fail  
because  
they lack  
self-control.***

52. Your imagination is the place where plans and ideas evolve.

**Phillipians 2:6**

*Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:*

It is not robbery to be equal with God. You were made in His image and in His likeness. You are an immortal being who was known by God before you came here. Jesus came to the earth remembering Who He was, but you forgot who you are! The same power that raised Christ from the dead dwells in you. The same power of creation brings ideas and plans to life.

53. Poverty is attracted to the mind that is favorable to it.

**Proverbs 10:15**

*The rich man's wealth is his strong city: the destruction of the poor is their poverty.*

Poverty follows minds that cleave to its laws. A mind that will declare, "I hate money," will never have money. A mind that declares, "I hate work" will reap the spoils of laziness.

54. You determine your own economic destiny.

**Proverbs 9:9**

*Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser: teach a just man, and he will increase in learning.*

It is your responsibility to draw your own conclusions concerning your financial future. You must remove the pictures of poverty from your thoughts, and replace them with thoughts and pictures and images of prosperity. You must decide to apply the laws to your own life, and put them into constant practice. No one can do it for you.

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***Men fail  
because  
they never  
learn to  
develop  
inward  
restraints.***

55. Money is shy; it must be wooed and pursued.

**Proverbs 2:6**

*For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding.*

You must make yourself attractive to money. Entertain wisdom. Prepare a place for her to dwell. Prepare accounts for her to multiply within. Prepare your mind to entertain her presence. She cannot come if there is no habitation for her.

56. Money deadens the voice of the poor.

**Ecclesiastes 9:14-16**

*Money has the ability to magnify your voice so that you can be heard above the din of this world. A poor man may be wise, but his wisdom will be lost in the clamor of poverty. Wealth creates a platform that can demand change.*

57. Defeat is a temporary signal to try again.

**Acts 2:14**

*But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto them, Ye men of Judaea, and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words:*

Defeat is not a judgment that is meant to indict you and label you a failure for the rest of your life, but rather, defeat simply lets you know that your present approach is the wrong approach for you to use, and lets you know that you must try, try again! Like Edison, you may have thousands of attempts before you see success, but you must persevere. Thousands of light bulbs were tried before one finally worked! And you want to quit because you tried once? Twice??? Get your memory back!!!



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58. Quitters never win, and winners never quit.

**Luke 18:6**

*And the Lord said, Hear what the unjust judge saith.*

Perseverance is important, because you've got to know that behind every "no" there's a "yes." Poverty and riches frequently change places. You just need to cultivate tenacity and withstand opposition until you get what you want.

59. Destiny is not left up to chance, but it is a matter of choice.

**Deuteronomy 30:19**

*I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live:*

There is but one power, and that is of God. Poverty and prosperity are different sides of the same power. God said, "Choose you this day blessings or cursing; life or death." It is your choice as to which side of the power you will entertain in your life. The power of your tongue is often misunderstood, yet you have the ability to speak and decree a thing and it will be established. Every situation in your life is a by-product of your own mind. Your understanding has determined what you are standing under. You already have what you have said in the past....but what are you speaking for your future?



