HOUSE OF FAITH CHRISTIAN CENTER "GOD'S GRACE OF THE PLENTY IN 2020" The Year of Vision, Clarity, and Abundance MAY 10, 2020

"So they rose early in the morning and went out into the Wilderness of Tekoa, and as they went out, Jehoshaphat stood and said, "Hear me, O Judah and you inhabitants of Jerusalem, Believe in the Lord your God, and you shall be established; believe His prophets, and you shall prosper." 2 Chronicles 20:20 (New King James Version)

Today's Message: Believing the Lord Jesus Christ as Your Prophet by Winning in Total Prosperity

Introduction: The message about prosperity has been greatly attacked over the years because many people have been deceived by the enemy. True prosperity is not just about money. What good is it for us to prosper in our bank accounts and not in our spiritual lives, our health, relationships, marriages, and in our families. True prosperity is being successful in every arena of our lives; in our spirits, our souls, our bodies, our relationships, our marriages, our families, on our jobs, in our businesses, in our churches, in our ministries, and yes in our finances. You may ask, "So why does God want us to have true prosperity?" He wants to show the world that there is profit in serving Him. When we prosper, we can help and serve others. When the church prospers, we are empowered to further the Gospel message around the world.

Steps in Developing a Foundation for True Prosperity

2. Maturing in God's Love.

Four (4) Facts about Maturing in God's Love

- 1. The Kingdom of God is a Kingdom of love. See 1 John 4:8 & 16. The world has contaminated our understanding of love. The world thinks that love is what makes a person feel good, and that it is all right to sacrifice moral principles and others rights in order to obtain such "love". But that isn't real love; it is the opposite, which is either "lust" or "selfishness". Real love is like God, who is holy, just, and perfect. If we truly know God, we will love as He does.
- 2. Love is a commandment of Jesus and it replaces the law under the Old Covenant. See John 13:34-35. Love does not excuse nor tolerate sin. See John 5:1-14; John 8:1-11.
- **3.** Being immature in love is equal to being a child spiritually. **See 1 Corinthians 13:4-7; 11.** In order to be spiritually mature men and women of God, we have to operate in God's love. If we refuse to forgive others, we are not mature in God's love.
- **4.** If we refuse to develop and mature in God's love, we will not receive the Kingdom of God's prosperity which is greater than the prosperity the world system offers. When we prosper God's way, there is no trouble attached to it. **See Proverbs 10:22**

Four (4) Confessions about Maturing in God's Love.

- 1. I confess that the Kingdom of God is the Kingdom of love. Because I am in His Kingdom, and I truly know Him, I will love as He does.
- 2. I confess that love is a commandment of Jesus, and I love others as He loved me.
- 3. I confess that I am a spiritually mature adult; I forgive others; therefore I operate in God's love.
- 4. I confess that I mature in God's love, therefore I receive the Kingdom of God's prosperity and there is no trouble attached to it.

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

Father in the Name of Jesus, I thank you that the Lord Jesus Christ is a true prophet of God; and one of the reasons why you sent Him was to teach me how to develop a foundation for true prosperity. I confess that the Kingdom of God is the Kingdom of love, and as I know you, I will love as You do. Love is a commandment of Jesus, and I will love others as He loved me. I am a spiritually mature adult, and because I forgive others, I operate in your love. I mature in God's love, therefore I receive the Kingdom of God's prosperity and there is no sorrow attached to it. As I realize this, I understand that you have given me "God's Grace of The Plenty in 2020". In Jesus Name. I pray. Amen.