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"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)

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 health, relationships, marriages, and in our families. True prosperity is being successful in every arena of our lives; in my spirit, my soul, my body, in my relationships and in my 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.

SUBJECT: PROSPERING WITH A CHRIST MINDSET-Part 2

As believers, we are not merely to resemble Jesus. We are to have His mind, which means we are to think his very thoughts. We love what he loves, and we hate what he hates. This is a lifelong process and it will take a combination of (1) an act of our will; (2) prayer and; (3) self-confidence.

Five (5) Characteristics of the Christ-like Mind

- 1. Alive. Choosing the Spiritual over the Flesh. See Romans 8:5-8. Jesus Christ mind is always filled with the life of God. His mind is completely possessed by the Holy Spirit, that's why there is no room for him to satisfy the desires of the flesh. His mind is set on the doing the will of the Father. The carnal mind is dominated by the sinful nature; it is hostile to God's will; it is death; and it will never please God.
- 2. Focused. Paying attention to the person, the commands and teachings of Jesus Christ. See John 4:31-34. While on earth the one thing which gave Jesus Christ ultimate satisfaction and delight was to fulfill the calling of God his Father on his life.
- **3.** Pure. **See 1 John 3:1-3.** The mind of Christ is pure; therefore he has a pure heart. To possess a pure heart, your mind first must be pure, clean, and undefiled.
- **4.** Gentle and lowly in heart. **See Matthew 11:28-30.** To be lowly means having the attitude of esteeming others better than yourself. A lowly person value other's interest and respect people whoever they are even though they have humble status in life. As Christians, we submit to one another through lowliness.

5. Peaceful. See John 16:33. To enjoy peaceful mind, your mind must be completely controlled by the Spirit, so that it will be focused on the will of the Holy Spirit. There are so many things in the world that will take away peace from your mind such as Covid 19-Corona Virus; wars and rumors of wars, famines, economic crashes, long unemployment lines, inflation, food shortage, sickness, death, and many others. Therefore if you are not at peace with God, all these things will trouble you. However when you mind is completely possessed by the mighty Holy Spirit, then you will learn how to trouble your troubles.

Five (5) Confessions regarding having Characteristics of a Christ-like Mind

- 1. I confess that I have a Christ-like mind and I choose the Spiritual over the flesh. My mind is filled with life of the Spirit of God.
- 2. I confess that I have a Christ-like mind and I focus by paying attention to the person, commands and teachings of Jesus Christ.
- **3.** I confess that I have a Christ-like mind and my mind and heart is pure.
- **4.** I confess that I have a Christ-like mind and I am gentle and lowly in heart. I have the attitude of esteeming others better than myself.
- **5.** I confess that I have a Christ-like mind and my mind is peaceful. My mind is controlled by the Holy Spirit, and I will learn how to trouble my troubles.

Father in the Name of Jesus, I thank you that Jesus was a true prophet of God, and one of the reasons why You sent Him was to develop a foundation for winning in true prosperity. I thank You that because I have the mind of Christ; I choose the Spiritual over the flesh and my mind is filled with the life of the Spirit of God. I pay attention to the person, commands and teachings of Jesus Christ. My mind is pure; I am gentle and lowly in heart, and my mind is peaceful, because my mind is controlled by the Holy Spirit. Because of this, I will learn how to trouble my troubles. As I realize this, I understand that I will experience more of "God's Grace of the Plenty in 2020". In Jesus Name. I pray. Amen.