

THOUGHT 17

Get ready for our FAST FROM WRONG THINKING to change you from the INSIDE OUT.

Today we are fasting from the thought that says:

"I'm limited by my financial status".

I know that as you replace this wrong thinking, with RIGHT THINKING, you are going to see things change quickly in your finances and your peace of mind!

Today we deal with what I call a "**limitation mentality**".

The mindset that always tells you that you are limited; that you don't have enough; that if you only had more money you could be happy or do more for God.

All those thoughts actually keep us from doing more, and from being happy.

1. Be happy NOW. "Happy is the man who fears the Lord." (Psalm 112:1).

When you THINK that you need more to be happy, you program yourself to stay unhappy until you have more. This is a dangerous attitude. The truth is when you are grateful for what you have, you will become magnetic to more. More will come.

2. We need to recognize that God is not limited by money, therefore you do not need to be. You are made in God's image. He fed them manna from heaven. He commanded water out of a rock. He sent a raven to feed Elijah and a prominent family to take care of Elisha.

3. Believe in the God of ideas!

Proverbs 8 says He will give us witty inventions. These are ideas. When God opens up the windows of heaven, He is raining ideas, not \$100 bills.

4. GET WISDOM.

When offered one request from God, Solomon asked for wisdom. God was so impressed, that He gave Solomon wisdom, and with it came wealth, power, answers. James 1:5 says, "If any man lacks wisdom, let him ask of God who gives to ALL men generously."

5. Don't underestimate the power of imagination.

We are to cast down "imaginings" THAT EXALT themselves above the knowledge of God. But God-given imagination is a MUST. Ephesians 3:20 says, "He is able to do exceeding abundantly above and beyond all that you can ask, think or imagine." Note

the emphasis on: "YOU CAN ASK, THINK AND IMAGINE". You CAN and you MUST!

6. Expect open heavens.

When God said, He would open the windows of heaven, He wasn't saying He would just dump money in your lap. Heaven has a supply of so much more than money. Expect the heavens to open to you with angelic intervention, wisdom, ideas, hope, words of knowledge, etc.

7. Be "provision conscious", not "need conscious".

Make your mind expect that God will provide. Put your thoughts on His generosity and provision, rather than on what YOU NEED or what don't have. **EVERY time we give something valuable to God, we prove we are "provision conscious", not "money conscious"**.

THINK IT & SAY IT:

I fear, reverence and respect God, therefore I AM happy now.

I don't need any more to be happy. I am happy already. This present happiness will attract more of what I need, to my life.

God can work in my life, regardless of my financial status. He is not limited by money, therefore neither am I.

When He needed bread, He multiplied the 5 loaves He had been given. When He needed tax money, He got it out of a fish's mouth. When He needed wine, He used water! I believe God is a God of ideas. He has put His Spirit in me, therefore I expect ideas. Ideas are worth more than money. And I will be a vessel of God-given ideas.

I think wisdom, and ask for wisdom. God richly supplies me with wisdom, every time I ask for it. I will ask, think and imagine what God can do, and He will exceed my expectations and imaginations!

I do believe that the heavens will open over my life. I choose to be "provision conscious" rather than "need conscious".

I believe by changing the way I think, I become a magnet that attracts God's provision for my life.

With great expectation,

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