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**Confession: *This is my Bible, the Living Word of God. I am, what the Word says I am. I have what the Word says I have. I can do, everything the Word says I can do, and I will do it, in Jesus Name!***

**Proposition/Purpose:** In this study on the subject of prosperity we will see what Biblical prosperity is and how we can live in it according to the Word of God and to know without a doubt that it is God’s will for us to prosper in every area of our lives!

**Text:** **3 John 1:2** Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in every way and [that your body] may keep well, even as [I know] your soul keeps well *and* prospers.

**VLFC #1 Core Value** – The Word of God is Truth and it is the first place and final authority.

1. **Faith Comes by Hearing** 
   1. **Proverbs 4:20-23** My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings. 21Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart; 22For they *are* life to those who find them, and health to all their flesh. 23Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it *spring* the issues of life.
   2. **Romans 10:17** So then faith *comes* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.
   3. **John 17:17** Sanctify them [purify, consecrate, separate them for Yourself, make them holy] by the Truth; Your Word is Truth.
   4. **Application:** We study the Word by reading our Bibles every single day! We cannot afford to miss our spiritual meals! Just like we feed our physical bodies we MUST feed our spirit man daily. When you feed on the Word of God and listen to anointed preaching and teaching of the Word then your faith begins to grow and you become stronger and stronger to do the will of God in your life and in allow Him to use you in the lives of others!
2. **Prosperity Covers More Than Finances**
   1. **3 John 1:2-4** Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in every way and [that your body] may keep well, even as [I know] your soul keeps well *and* prospers.In fact, I greatly rejoiced when [some of] the brethren from time to time arrived and spoke [so highly] of the sincerity *and* fidelity of your life, as indeed you do live in the Truth [the whole Gospel presents]. I have no greater joy than this, to hear that my [spiritual] children are living their lives in the Truth.
   2. **3 John 1:11** Beloved, do not imitate evil, but imitate good. He who does good is of God; he who does evil has not seen (discerned or experienced) God [has enjoyed no vision of Him and does not know Him at all].
   3. **Philippians 3:10** For my determined purpose is that I may know Him.
   4. **1 Timothy 6:10** For **the love of money** is a root of all *kinds of* evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.
   5. **1 Timothy 6:17** God, Who richly and ceaselessly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.
3. **Spiritual Prosperity:** We must be born again and accept Jesus as our Savior and make Him our Lord. When we become born again our spirit is reborn and brought into perfect fellowship with the Father. This then puts us in a position to receive from Him all the things promised in His Word and guarantees us eternal life!
4. **Prospering in our Soul**

We must be able to control your mind your will and your emotions. You control them by subjecting then to the Word of God and allowing who you are in Christ to dominate the flesh.

1. We must receive healing from past hurts and mistakes and be able to move forward in who we are IN Christ. **Philippians 3:13-14**
2. **John 16:13** But when He, the Spirit of Truth (the Truth-giving Spirit) comes, He will guide you into all the Truth (the whole, full Truth). For He will not speak His own message [on His own authority]; but He will tell whatever He hears [from the Father; He will give the message that has been given to Him], and He will announce *and* declare to you the things that are to come [that will happen in the future].
3. **John 14:26-27** But the Comforter (Counselor, Helper, Intercessor, Advocate, Strengthener, Standby), the Holy Spirit, Whom the Father will send in My name [in My place, to represent Me and act on My behalf], He will teach you all things. And He will cause you to recall (will remind you of, bring to your remembrance) everything I have told you. **27**Peace I leave with you; My [own] peace I now give *and* bequeath to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. [Stop allowing yourselves to be agitated and disturbed; and do not permit yourselves to be fearful and intimidated and cowardly and unsettled.]
4. **I Corinthians 10:5** casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ
5. **Isaiah 26:3** You will keep *him* in perfect peace, *whose* mind *is* stayed *on You,* because he trusts in You.
6. **Hebrews 4:12** For the Word that God speaks is alive and full of power [making it active, operative, energizing, and effective]; it is sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating to the dividing line of the breath of life (soul) and [the immortal] spirit, and of joints and marrow [of the deepest parts of our nature], exposing *and* sifting *and* analyzing *and* judging the very thoughts and purposes of the heart.
7. **Deuteronomy 30:19** I call heaven and earth to witness this day against you that I have set before you life and death, the blessings and the curses; therefore choose life, that you and your descendants may live.
8. **Emotions as Part of Our Soul**

A person who is emotionally prosperous has control over his emotions. Or a better way to say it is - we place our emotions IN CHRIST!

1. **Romans 8:14** For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God
2. **1 Thessalonians 5:23** And may the God of peace Himself sanctify you through and through [separate you from profane things, make you pure and wholly consecrated to God]; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved sound and complete [and found] blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ (the Messiah).

**Application: Confession:** We decree emotional wholeness rest upon us! We say that our thoughts, emotions, and imaginations receive a new outlook and divine touch from the Lord Himself. We say that we are liberated and emotionally whole in the Name of Jesus!

**COMMUNION:**

Christ has redeemed me from the curse of the law. I am redeemed from sin and sickness and have received the promise of the Spirit through faith. I boldly confess that through the blood of Jesus, I am healed in my mind, my will, my emotions, and my body. I am BLESSED with Abraham’s BLESSING of spiritual life, prosperity, and health because of the blood of Jesus. I thank God for the blood of Jesus!