

# KINGDOM ADVANCING PRAYER

*Mark: 1:35 & Matt: 11: 11-12*

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## Wealth Transfer

### Acts 4:33-37

“And with great power the Apostles gave witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And great grace was upon them all. Nor was there anyone among them who lacked; for all who were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the proceeds of the things that were sold, And laid them at the Apostles’ feet; and they distributed to each as anyone had need. And Joses, who was also named Barnabas by the Apostles (which is translated Son of Encouragement), a Levite of the country of Cyprus, Having land, sold it, and brought the money and laid it at the Apostles’ feet.”

As we move deeper into the restoration of Apostles, the restoration of wealth back to the house of God will become very evident. At the beginning of the Church, in the book of Acts, we read that money was brought and laid at the feet of the early Apostles, and they distributed it as they saw fit.

Please note that the wealth that was laid at the Apostles’ feet was for distribution and not for them. The Apostolic has a grace gift to attract wealth to fulfill its God-given mandate.

**Wealth has always been** a turning point for most churches, either for good or for bad, but with the restoration of the Apostles, God will release greater clarity on how to manage wealth.

Another powerful scripture that will be fulfilled in this season of Apostolic restoration is Proverbs 13:22b

“But the wealth of the sinner is stored up for the righteous.”

Please note that the word of God declares that wealth is stored up for the **righteous**, and not just the Christian. The righteous spoken of here, are the saints who do not compromise the word of God, who are willing to obey God at His word. However, this wealth is stored up somewhere, and as such, there must be what we call a wealth transfer. In Isaiah 45:1-3 the Lord declares:

“Thus says the Lord to His anointed, To Cyrus, whose right hand I have held – To subdue nations before him And loose the armour of kings, To open before him the double doors, So that the gates will not be shut: ‘I will go before you And make the crooked places straight; I will break in pieces the gates of bronze And cut the bars of iron. **I will give you the treasures of darkness And hidden riches of secret places**, That you may know that I, the Lord, Who call you by your name, Am the God of Israel.”  
(Emphasis added)

The treasures and riches are hidden and in this hour the Lord is beginning to uncover them to His holy Apostles and Prophets. We are going to see tremendous sums of wealth transferred into the treasuries of the righteous. One of the main avenues of this transfer is through the avenue of business.

**This brings us to the issue of Kingdom Business!**

### **What Is A Kingdom Business?**

Every so often we need to re-define things in order that they may remain relevant. One thing that is being re-defined with the restoration of Apostles is Christian Business.

What does it mean to be a Christian businessman or woman? Why should a Christian own a business? What is kingdom business? A proper understanding of the subject is needed, if we are going to position ourselves to receive the promises God made to us, about wealth transfer and the acquiring of treasure that is hidden in secret places.

In exploring this, one of the very first things that we need to understand, is the fact that Almighty God has made a covenant to bless His people, in order that His Kingdom could advance.

Deuteronomy 8:18 states:

“And you shall remember the Lord your God, for it is He who gives you power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day.”

From this passage of scripture we can learn several things. One is the fact that God confirms the Abrahamic covenant to the seed of Abraham with prosperity. As the children of Abraham through faith, we step into this heritage. There are so many scriptures that confirm God’s promise to prosper His people. So the first point is that a kingdom businessperson must have his/her faith secure in these promises for prosperity.

**You must believe that God** is with you, and for you, because He wants to make good on His word. Secondly, it says in that verse, that God gives us the power to get wealth. The first step to receiving power, or ability from God to obtain or acquire wealth, is to have vision for the wealth. The same amount of wealth that existed on the earth from its creation is still on the earth today. It has only changed its form or switched hands over time, but it is still on the earth.

You need to have a vision that includes a strategy to transfer some of that wealth out of the hands of the wicked, and into the hands of the righteous (the Church).

As a “Kingdom businessman or woman, you can’t be satisfied to be in business, just to be in business. You need a large enough vision that would turn God on, to give you the ability to achieve your goals. You need to know where the wealth is located (which market) and come up with a strategy to transfer that wealth.

Isaac knew where to dig for water. I fear that too many believers enter business without clear direction as to what resource they are trying to tap. They end up doing something in business that they see others doing. They have not studied the market to see where the money is. They limit themselves to their present ability, and settle down in their comfort zones, while God is waiting for them to make a move, so that He can transfer wealth into their hands.

Don’t let your present ability limit your vision. You must know where the resources of wealth are in the earth, and devise a plan or strategy to obtain it. God is going to help you in that. But if you just want to be in business for some other reason without having a vision to transfer the wealth in the earth from the wrong hands into the right hands, you are not going to trigger God’s blessing in any major way.

**Jesus said in relation to money**, that, “the sons of this world are more wise in their generation, than the sons of light.” He was observing something that is a tendency with God’s people. They tend to rely on God so much, that they don’t put forth enough effort in obtaining something. God is with us to give us the wisdom and the ability to get wealth, but we must apply ourselves.

**Please understand** that wealth is always being transferred from one place to the next, for certain periods of time. As a result “Kingdom Businesses” need to recognize certain shifts in the market, and move with it. Your power to get wealth is only as good as your vision or your ability to see where the wealth is.