

GRACE - THE KEY TO PROSPERITY

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SUMMARY STATEMENTS, DEFINITIONS, AND CITATIONS

PROSPERITY

Prosperity is more than financial abundance; it applies to every area of life.

Definitions from Webster' s dictionary:

Prosper: to succeed, thrive, flourish

Flourish:

- 1) To grow vigorously; succeed; thrive; prosper.
- 2) To be at the peak of development, activity, influence, production, etc.;
be in one' s prime.

Ps 92:13

Thrive: to grow vigorously or luxuriantly; improve physically.

Luxuriant: growing with vigor and in great abundance; lush; teeming.

Synonym: profuse

Profuse:

- 1) giving or pouring forth freely; generous, often to the point of excess.
 - 2) produced freely and abundantly.
- See also plentiful. Having plenty - a full or more than adequate amount or supply.
Antonym: limited, scant, spare

Gen 1:26-28

The blessing is the grace of God that enables man to fulfill the divine purpose.

Prospering is having an abundance of whatever is needed or desired.

Grace is the means by which God delivers that abundance.

II Cor 9:8

GRACE

Webster' s New International Dictionary (1917) defines grace (Theological) as:

- a) the divine unmerited favor toward man; the mercy of God as distinguished from His justice; also, any benefits His mercy imparts; divine love or pardon
- b) a state of acceptance with God; enjoyment of the divine favor; called more fully, *a state of grace*.
- c) A virtue or moral excellence regarded as coming from God; a Christian virtue; as the graces of self-denial, humility, meekness, temperance, peace, faith, love, etc.

This is the conventional view, and it derives from the Old Testament (Hebrew) meaning:

Chen (pronounced khane) - graciousness, favor. From chanan - to bend or stoop in kindness to an inferior.

In the New Testament, *grace* in every case is the Greek word *charis*, which Strong' s defines as follows:

Charis - graciousness of manner or act, abstract or concrete, literal, figurative or spiritual: especially, **the divine influence on the heart and its reflection in the life**

S&H 17:4-5

Un 14:12

S&H 4:3-4

S&H 67:23

We need the same deep, practical understanding of grace that we have of Truth.

CHRIST - GRACE AND TRUTH

John 1:14, 16, 17

Acts 4:23-33

Acts 5:14, 16

S&H 333:19-23

Eph 2:8

RECEIVING GRACE, AND ITS GLORIOUS EFFECT

Rom 5:17

Webster defines Areign@ as:

- 1) to rule as king or queen; wield royal authority

2) to hold sway; prevail; predominate
Rev 1:4 (to ,), 6 (to ;)
S&H 141:19-23 The
John 10:10
II Cor 9:8 B The Greek word translated sufficiency is autarkeia: self-satisfaction,
contentedness

God is a God of abundance

Ps 23:5
Mal 3:10
Luke 5:4-7
Matt 14:20, 21
Eph 3:14-20
Eph 4:7

Exceeding abundantly (Eph 3:20) and life more abundantly (John 10:10): in both cases,
according to Strong's, the Greek word translated abundantly is:

**Perissos - superabundant in quantity or superior in quality; by
implication, excessive**

S&H 60:29 (to ,)
S&H 210:11
S&H 258:15
John 16:14, 15
Luke 15:31
S&H 2:26-28
S&H 494:13 to
S&H 516:21
My 203:10-11

GRACE AND HEALING

Heb 4:16

**Grace isn't just a kind of divine oil for our gears to make our lives work more
smoothly. It's the oil of spiritual anointing, a mighty force that empowers us.**

Acts 10:38
Mis 77:19-1

Grace confers healing ability. Healing is grace in action.

S&H 494:15-19

S&H xi:9
S&H 323:28-32
367:24

GRACE AND FULFILLMENT OF PURPOSE

II Tim 1:9
No 7:18-20

How do we fulfill our purpose? Through grace.

II Cor 9:8
Matt 7:2 with what measure
Mis 149:22 all (to .)
Gal 5:22, 23
Mark 11:24 - See also The English Standard Version and The Message Bible

Divine Contentment Heals - a poem by Peter J. Henniker-Heaton, Anthology of Classic Articles II, p 41

Deut 28:8
Ps 1:3
John 14:12
John 5:19, 20
Eph 4:7

Jesus understood that he had no personal ability, but was empowered by the grace of God, bestowed through God's unconditional, unquenchable love.

And of his fullness have all we received, and grace for grace.

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