Delight in God's Word

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Do you want to be prosperous, wise and successful regardless of the conditions in the world?

Examine yourself. Are you speaking God's Word continually? Are you meditating day and night on the holy Scriptures? Are you constantly learning and obeying your Father's instructions? All Christians want to receive the blessings of prosperity, wisdom and success. God does not lie. You will be prosperous, wise and successful regardless of the conditions in the world if you obey the three specific instructions your Father has given to you.

Meditating day and night on God's Word is vitally important for every Christian during these difficult times. Your Father has given similar instructions in the following passage of Scripture.

"But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on His law [His precepts and teachings] he [habitually] meditates day and night. And he will be like a tree firmly planted [and fed] by streams of water, which yields its fruit in its season; its leaf does not wither; and in whatever he does, he prospers [and comes to maturity]." (Psalm 1:2–3)

If you sincerely desire to be prosperous in every area of your life and to be spiritually mature, you must "delight" in God's Word. You must "desire" to learn and to do exactly what your Father has instructed you to learn and to do to receive blessings.

If you delight in the Word of God, you will have a consuming passion to continually learn everything you can from God's supernatural book of instructions. If you delight in the Word of God, the holy Scriptures will always be at the forefront of your consciousness. If you delight in the Word of God, you will meditate day and night on the Holy Scriptures.

Your Father gave the same instructions to receive prosperity in Psalm 1 that he did in Joshua 1 where he also instructs you to meditate day and night on His Word. Do not disregard the correlation between being prosperous and the instructions in both Joshua 1:8 and Psalm 1: –3 to meditate day and night on the Word of God.

If you delight in the Word of God, you will have a great hunger and thirst for God's Word. You will not be able to get enough of it. The more difficult the problems you face might seem, the more you should meditate on the Word of God. You should be like the psalmist who said:

"I will meditate in thy precepts and have respect unto thy ways. I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy word." (Psalm 119:15 16)

You will be blessed abundantly if you truly do delight in the Word of God. "Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who finds great delight in his commands. His children will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed. Wealth and riches are in his house, and his righteousness endures forever." (Psalm 112:1–3)

You ignite the power of God when you consistently speak the Word of God. The Hebrew word "Hagah" that is translated as "meditate" in both Joshua 1:8 and Psalm 1:2 means "to murmur, mutter, speak, talk, utter." Your ears should continually hear your mouth boldly speaking and personalizing the supernatural promises of God as you meditate day and night on his Word.

You release spiritual power with your mouth. Spiritual power is released in your life as you meditate on God's Word each day and night. The cumulative effect of repeatedly speaking God's promises will steadily increase your faith in God. You give substance to the promises of God as you boldly speak these promises with absolute faith in God. The more you speak God's promises, the more substance they will have in your life.