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Bible Study

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Proper Preparation for Prospering Financially

1 Kings 3:3-13

III John 2 reads, "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth." (KJV) This verse records God's desire for His followers to experience success in every area of their lives. If the truth was shared, most individuals would confess that they have a strong passion to see a major upgrade in their personal finances. The good news is that there are ways believers can go about positioning themselves for significant increase with their money. This lesson is designed to share proper preparation that can lead to financial prosperity.

Breakdown of 1 Kings Chapter 3

- 1. The Appearanceof SolomonVerses 1-92. The Appropriationfor Solomon.Verses 10-153. The Applicationby Jesus.Verses 16-28
- 1. Loyalty to God can help position you to prosper financially. Verse 3

"Solomon showed his love for the Lord by walking according to the instructions given him by his father David, except that he offered sacrifices and burned incense on the high places." (NIV)

2. <u>Genorosity</u> towards God can help position you to prosper financially. Verse 4

"The king went to Gibeon to offer sacrifices, for that was the most important high place, and Solomon offered a thousand burnt offerings on that altar." (NIV)

3. <u>Receptivity</u> of God can help position you to prosper financially. Verse 5, 6

"At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream, and God said, "Ask for whatever you want me to give you." 6) Solomon answered, "You have shown great kindness to your servant, my father David, because he was faithful to you and righteous and upright in heart. You have continued this great kindness to him and have given him a son to sit on his throne this very day." (NIV)

4. Honesty with God can help position you to prosper financially. Verse 7

"Now, LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David. But I am only a little child and do not know how to carry out my duties." (NIV)

5. <u>Humility</u> before God can help position you to prosper financially. Verse 8, 9

"Your servant is here among the people you have chosen, a great people, too numerous to count or number. 9) So give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong. For who is able to govern this great people of yours?" (NIV)

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