

DOES GOD PROMISE YOU HEALTH AND WEALTH? Pt.3 **(Examining the Prosperity Gospel Under the Searchlight of the Scriptures)**

A. The PRINCIPLES Derived from 1 Corinthians 12:1-3.

B. The POSITION ...What is the Gospel of Prosperity?

It is the teaching that God wants you to claim physical _____ and financial _____ by exercising great faith in God.

C. The PREACHERS ... Who Teaches the Prosperity Gospel?

D. The PROOF TEXTS ... How Do They Try to Support this Teaching Biblically?

E. The PROBLEMS Scripturally with the False PROSPERITY GOSPEL.

1. It was NOT preached or practiced by _____. (Luke 9:57-58; 12:15; 19:10; Mark 10:25; 12:40-44; Matt.6:21-24)
2. It was NOT preached or practiced by _____. (1 Cor.4:11; 2 Cor. 6:10; 11:24-29; Phil.4:10-19; 1 Tim. 6:3-10)
3. It was NOT preached or practiced by _____. (1:9-12; 2:5; 5:1-11)
4. It was NOT preached or practiced by _____. (1 Peter 2:23-25; 2 Peter 2:10-16)
5. It was NOT preached or practiced by _____. (3 John 1:2-3)
6. It was NOT preached or practiced by _____. (Jude 1:11-13)
7. It WAS preached and practiced by _____. (Job 2:4; Matt. 4:8-10)

F. The PROPER CONCLUSIONS.

- Ecclesiastes 7:14 In the day of prosperity be joyful, But in the day of adversity consider: Surely God has appointed the one as well as the other, So that man can find out nothing that will come after him.

1. **The prosperity gospel is not based upon sound _____ but faulty _____.** (2 Timothy 2:15)

2. **The prosperity gospel is a _____ gospel under the _____ of God.** (Gal.1:6-9)

3. The prosperity gospel breeds _____ and appeals to the _____ of man, encouraging _____ which is _____. (Colossians 3:5; 1 Thess. 2:3-10; Heb.13:5; 2 Peter 2:1-3, 10-17; Jude 1:11- 14; Acts 20:33; 1 Timothy 3:3)

4. The prosperity gospel is a _____ that either blinds the lost or corrupts the mind of the saved. (2 Cor.4:1-5; 11:3-4; 13-15)

5. The prosperity gospel misunderstands the place of _____ and the godly reasons for _____ today. (Romans 5:12; 8:17-24)

6. The prosperity gospel leaves its adherents _____, _____, or _____ due to its false promises.

7. The prosperity gospel needs to be _____, _____, and _____ from. (Romans 16:17-18; 1 Timothy 6:3-10)

- **Romans 16:17-18** Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them. 18 For those who are such do not serve our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly, and by smooth words and flattering speech deceive the hearts of the simple.

- **Philippians 3:18-19** For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: 19 whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame-- who set their mind on earthly things.

- **1 Timothy 6:11-19** But you, O man of God, flee these things and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness. 12 Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. 13 I urge you in the sight of God who gives life to all things, and before Christ Jesus who witnessed the good confession before Pontius Pilate, 14 that you keep this commandment without spot, blameless until our Lord Jesus Christ's appearing, 15 which He will manifest in His own time, He who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords, 16 who alone has immortality, dwelling in unapproachable light, whom no man has seen or can see, to whom be honor and everlasting power. Amen. 17 Command those who are rich in this present age not to be haughty, nor to trust in uncertain riches but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy. 18 Let them do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share, 19 storing up for themselves a good foundation for the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.