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 Part 6 – Stop the Scarcity Cycle
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Philippians 4:8 Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

The Abundance Mindset

1. There is _____ !
2. _____ is more than enough!

Ephesians 3:20 Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us...

John 10:10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly. (NASB)

3 Principles of Provision

- I. Do not _____ what you _____.

II Kings 4:1-2 The wife of a man from the company of the prophets cried out to Elisha, “Your servant my husband is dead, and you know that he revered the Lord. But now his creditor is coming to take my two boys as his slaves.”

Elisha replied to her, “How can I help you? Tell me, what do you have in your house?”

“Your servant has nothing there at all,” she said, “except a small jar of olive oil.”

- _____ focuses on what you _____.
- _____ focuses on what you _____.

1. _____ within your _____.

Proverbs 13:11 Wealth from get-rich-quick schemes quickly disappears; wealth from hard work grows over time. (NLT)

2. _____ for the _____.

Luke 14:28 “But don’t begin until you count the cost. For who would begin construction of a building without first calculating the cost to see if there is enough money to finish it?” (NLT)

- II. God often does the _____ through what seems _____.

II Kings 4:3-5 Elisha said, “Go around and ask all your neighbors for empty jars. Don’t ask for just a few. Then go inside and shut the door behind you and your sons. Pour oil into all the jars, and as each is filled, put it to one side.”

She left him and shut the door behind her and her sons. They brought the jars to her and she kept pouring.

2 Corinthians 9:6 Remember this—a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop. (NLT)

2 Corinthians 9:8 And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others. (NLT)

- III. God’s _____ often follows _____.

II Kings 4:6-7 When all the jars were full, she said to her son, “Bring me another one.”

But he replied, “There is not a jar left.” Then the oil stopped flowing.

She went and told the man of God, and he said, “Go, sell the oil and pay your debts. You and your sons can live on what is left.”

“I’ve got the faith to _____, because I belong to the God of _____!”

2 Corinthians 9:9-11 *As the Scriptures say, "They share freely and give generously to the poor. Their good deeds will be remembered forever."*

For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, he will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you.

Yes, you will be enriched in every way so that you can always be generous. And when we take your gifts to those who need them, they will thank God. (NLT)

Conclusion: Start _____!

All scripture references are NIV unless otherwise noted.

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