

Prosper Your Soul and Be in Health Series - Part 9a

Overview: 3 John 1:2 says, Beloved, I wish above all things that you prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospers. (Strong's Concordance G2137 = Euodoō = Prosper, Successful). We are going dig deeper into the Word of God in this study concerning some topics previously addressed in this Prosper Your Soul and Be in Health Series from Part 5, Section C, and Sub-Sections 9, 10 and 11.

A. The Word of God Prospers Your Soul.

1. When you speak the WOG, it becomes transformed with the manifestation of healing as your mind is renewed because your soul is prospering.
 - a. Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, (overflow of wickedness), and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls. Mt 8:8
Rom 12:2
3 Jn 1:2
Jas 1:21 KJV
 - b. So get rid of all uncleanness and the rampant outgrowth of wickedness, and in a humble (gentle, modest) spirit receive and welcome the Word which implanted and rooted [in your hearts] contains the power to **save** (G4982 = **Sozo** = To Save, Heal, Make Whole, Deliver, Rescue from peril or danger) your **souls** (G5590 = **Psychē** = Breath of Life, Soul, The seat of the **feelings**, desires, affections, aversions {our heart, soul etc.} according to the Blue Letter Bible Word Study.) Jas 1:21 AMPC
 - c. God is saving our souls from ungodly emotions.
2. Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 2 Tim 2:15
3. Pastor Joshua says it's important to let the WOG be an anchor to your soul:
 - a. Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil. Heb 6:19
 - b. A good anchor to your soul is reminding yourself of past testimonies of victory God gave you.

B. Other Bible Verses About Emotions.

1. Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. Philippians 4:6-7
2. A fool uttereth all his mind: but a wise [man] keepeth it in till afterwards. Proverbs 29:11
3. A wrathful man stirreth up strife: but [he that is] slow to anger appeaseth strife. Proverbs 15:18
4. [This] I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. Galatians 5:16-24
5. A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance. Ecclesiastes 3:4

6. Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. Romans 12:15
7. A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance: but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken. Proverbs 15:13
8. [Let] love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good. Romans 12:9
9. Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ. 2 Corinthians 10:5
10. And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to [his] purpose. Romans 8:28
11. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Ephesians 6:13
12. And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him. 1 John 4:16
13. And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. Matthew 10:28
14. Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. Colossians 2:8

C. True Forgiveness Releases Negative Emotions and Develops Maturity In Christ Jesus.

1. Emotions become “negative” when they are internalized or acted on in ways that harm yourself or others. Negative emotions are an energy drain and they may lead us into sin.
 - a. ²³ Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts (anxieties NKJV): ²⁴ And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. Psalm 139:23-24
2. The Destiny of the Wicked and of the Good. Psalm 37:1-11 (GNT)
 - a. ¹ **Don't be worried** on account of the wicked; **don't be jealous** of those who do wrong. ² They will soon disappear like grass that dries up; they will die like plants that wither. ³ **Trust in the Lord and do good**; live in the land and be safe. ⁴ Seek your happiness in the Lord, and he will give you your heart's desire. ⁵ Give yourself to the Lord; **trust in him**, and he will help you; ⁶ he will make your righteousness shine like the noonday sun. ⁷ **Be patient and wait** for the Lord to act; **don't be worried** about those who prosper or those who succeed in their evil plans. ⁸ **Don't give in to worry or anger**; it only leads to trouble. ⁹ **Those who trust in the Lord** will possess the land, but the wicked will be driven out. ¹⁰ Soon the wicked will disappear; you may look for them, but you won't find them; ¹¹ but **the humble** will possess the land and **enjoy prosperity and peace**.
3. Character of the New Man. Col 3:12-17 (BV)
 - a. ¹² Therefore, **as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on** tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; ¹³ bearing with one another, and **forgiving one another**, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. ¹⁴ But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. ¹⁵ And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful.

¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

¹⁷ And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

4. Forgive Others As God Forgives You.

Matt 6:14-15 (AMPC)

a. ¹⁴ For if you **forgive people their trespasses** [their]reckless and willful sins, leaving them, letting them go, and [giving up resentment], your **Heavenly Father will also forgive you.**

¹⁵ But if you do not forgive others their trespasses [their]reckless and willful sins, leaving them, letting them go, and [giving up resentment], neither will your Father forgive you your trespasses.

5. Forgive As Many Times As Is Necessary.

Luke 17:3-4 (AMPC)

a. ³ Pay attention and always be on your guard [looking out for one another]. If your brother sins (misses the mark), solemnly tell him so and reprove him, and if he repents (feels sorry for having sinned), forgive him. ⁴ And even if he sins against you seven times in a day, and turns to you seven times and says, I repent [I am sorry], **you must forgive him** (give up resentment and consider the offense as recalled and annulled).

6. Grow Into the Stature of Christ.

Eph 4:12-15, 18, 22-24,

(Stature = Strong's Concordance G2244, Greek "hēlikia" means "maturity as an adult, an attained state.")

26-32 (AMPC)

a. ¹² His intention was the **perfecting and the full equipping of the saints** (His consecrated people), [that they should do] the work of ministering toward building up Christ's body (the church), ¹³ [That it might develop] until we all attain oneness in the faith and in the comprehension of the [full and accurate] knowledge of the Son of God, that [we might arrive] at **really mature manhood** (the **completeness of personality** which is nothing less than the standard height of **Christ's own perfection**), the measure of the **stature** of the **fullness of the Christ and the completeness found in Him.**

¹⁴ So then, we may no longer be children, tossed [like ships] to and fro between chance gusts of teaching and wavering with every changing wind of doctrine, [the prey of] the cunning and cleverness of unscrupulous men, [gamblers engaged] in every shifting form of trickery in inventing errors to mislead. ¹⁵ Rather, let our lives lovingly express truth [in all things, speaking truly, dealing truly, living truly]. Enfolded in love, let us grow up in every way and in all things into Him Who is the Head, [even] Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One).

¹⁸ Their moral understanding is darkened and their reasoning is beclouded. [They are] alienated (estranged, self-banished) from the life of God [with no share in it; this is] because of the ignorance (the want of knowledge and perception, the willful blindness) that is deep-seated in them, **due to their hardness of heart** [to the insensitiveness of their moral nature].

²² **Strip yourselves of your former nature** [put off and discard your old unrenewed self] which characterized your previous manner of life and becomes corrupt through lusts and desires that spring from delusion; ²³ And be **constantly renewed in the spirit of your mind** [having a fresh mental and spiritual attitude], ²⁴ And **put on the new nature** (the regenerate self) created in God's image, [Godlike] in true righteousness and holiness.

²⁶ **When angry, do not sin;** do not ever let your wrath (your exasperation, your fury or indignation) last until the sun goes down. ²⁷ **Leave no [such] room or foothold for the devil [give no opportunity to him].** ²⁸ Let the thief steal no more, but rather let him be industrious, making an honest living with his own hands, so that he may be able to give to those in need. ²⁹ Let no foul or polluting language, nor evil word nor unwholesome or worthless talk [ever] come out of your mouth, **but only such [speech] as is good and beneficial to the spiritual progress of others, as is fitting to the need and the occasion, that it may be a blessing and give grace (God's favor) to those who hear it.** ³⁰ **And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God** [do not offend or vex or sadden Him], by Whom you were sealed (marked, branded as God's own, secured) for the day of redemption (of final deliverance through Christ from evil and the consequences of sin). ³¹ Let all bitterness and indignation and wrath (passion, rage, bad temper) and resentment (anger, animosity) and quarreling (brawling, clamor, contention) and slander (evil-speaking, abusive or blasphemous language) be banished from you, with all malice (spite, ill will, or baseness of any kind). ³² And become useful and helpful and kind to one another, tenderhearted (compassionate, understanding, loving-hearted), **forgiving one another [readily and freely], as God in Christ forgave you.**

7. The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant

Matt 18:21,22,32-35

- a. ²¹ Then Peter came to Him and said, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?"

²² Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven.

³² **Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. ³³ Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?' ³⁴ And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him. ³⁵ "So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses."**

8. Walk in the Fruit of the Spirit, Not in the Flesh.

Gal. 5:16,19-26 (NKJV)

- a. ¹⁶ I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, ²¹ envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²² **But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. ²⁴ And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. ²⁶ Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.**