

"How to Prosper in Hard Times"

All the various forms of "*to prosper*" are found a hundred times in the Bible. But what does the term actually mean? And what does God want to communicate to us?

1. Prosperity ***does not mean*** you will;
 - be _____ . **1 Timothy 6:9-11, 17-19**
 - never have a _____ .
 - never have _____ .
 - never _____ , have _____ or _____ .

* Because the Father actually uses these tools to _____
_____ . **Romans 5:3-5, 1 Peter 1:6-9**

2. The definition of Prosperity is "that a _____."
("fares well")
They: - _____
- _____
- _____ vs. fail (over the long term)

3. It is God's _____ and God's _____ that we would all prosper.
(Over _____ Bible promise recorded for our benefit.)
Psalms 35:27 – David said, "The Lord be magnified who _____
in the prosperity of His servant."
1 Kings 2:3 – "that you may succeed in _____ you do and
_____ you turn"

9 Observations of Biblical Prosperity from Joseph's Life:

1. You can "do well" in the _____ of circumstances with God's help. **Genesis 39:1, 20**
2. But the _____ from the Lord. **39:2**
3. Biblical success is about _____ from our _____ . **Ch.37, 40:8**
4. Biblical prosperity involves _____ of our life, not just in one. **"caused ALL" 39:3, 23**

5. First starts _____ with the _____, and then moves outside to our circumstances. **3 John 2**
(an attitude of _____ God is what He blesses)

6. Happens to people who cooperate with the Lord, rather than those _____ against His will. **39:9**
2 Chron. 13:12, 2 Chron. 24:20

7. Life is a _____ with God. His blessing is not _____. We must be _____, diligent, and _____. (our part)
v.6 "in Joseph's charge" v.22-23 "responsible"

8. One _____ from the Lord can change everything. **41:1**

9. Biblical prosperity is a over the _____, (many years), not over a short amount of time.
Joseph - age _____ (**37:2**) to age _____ (**50:26**)

Coming Studies: Proverbs 28:13, Deuteronomy 28, Psalm 1, Jeremiah 5:28, Proverbs 22:9, 2 Chronicles 26:5, Proverbs 22:7, Genesis 26:12-13