

Are Jews the Only Ones Father Allows to Prosper?

Years ago I remember hearing a Chinese gentleman say to a European man, “When you come to a city you start looking for a job. We don’t do that. We always look for the opportunity to start our own business.” That’s always stuck with me.

In our culture, it’s our mindset that wants others to provide employment for us, instead of forging out a living using our skills, experience and creativity. I see this same mindset ‘infecting’ the attitudes of Christians towards their prosperity. Let me give you an example.

Recently we received a distributed email with a summary of the life of Dr. Albert Bourla, CEO of Pfizer.¹ He is a survivor of the Nazi’s Birkenau concentration camp for Jews in Greece, where he was born. His family survived the incarceration and moved to the US where he studied biotechnology at university. He eventually became the CEO of Pfizer in 2019 and was a driving force in the developing a vaccine for COVID-19. His philanthropy resulted in Israel becoming the first nation to receive his companies new vaccine.²

My wife and I saw the information as an example of how non-believers can prosper under inspiration from Heaven, but Christians we know were thrilled at how God blesses Israel and it’s people.

There it was, hidden as an undercurrent in evangelical theology: God blesses the people of Israel, but followers of Jesus mustn’t prosper. I grew up with that mindset and experienced it in Christians all my life, so I know it’s rampant.

Why does that attitude exist?

Where does it come from?

The facts speak for themselves. Jews and atheists make inventions, discoveries and get wealthy. Jews make up less than 0.2% of the people on Earth,³ but they represent around 20% of the winners of Nobel Prizes.⁴ Is that because Yahweh has blessed them and their nation? Maybe, but we can’t verify that, except by asking him. I believe that rather than just being Yahweh’s blessing, it’s innate in the Jewish psyche that when they see something that will make money, they go for it. This is based on an OC promise to them.⁵

You’ll notice in the promise in Deuteronomy that **prosperity and Yahweh’s delight are connected**.⁶ Yet, it appears that under the NC, the Trinity are only delighted when we are poor – or so the teaching goes.

But, the original blessing at Creation was for humanity to prosper,⁷ and that was reiterated to Noah after the flood.⁸ Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Joseph prospered under the guidance of Yahweh, so why is it taught that prospering ceased with the NC? Has ‘God’⁹ made a U-turn?

The theological foundation for this mindset among Evangelicals, Charismatics and Pentecostals is that wealth (mammon) is evil. Along with that goes the teaching that to have wealth makes you an evil person. Now, this isn’t actually taught as such, but it’s the mentality that a believer picks up when they are part of these groups. Having been in all three of them, I have experienced this all-pervasive attitude towards

1 – Found in many places on the Internet (e.g. westcountrylink.com/threads/the-story-of-the-ceo-of-pfizer.218)

2 – Watch an interview with Albert Bourla as confirmation: www.youtube.com/watch?v=bzzHtvRHkMk

3 – www.ynetnews.com/articles/0,7340,L-4291987,00.html

4 – Israel High-Tech & Investment Report (December 2004) www.ishitech.co.il/1204ar3.htm

The Jewish Chronicle (10-10-2013) www.thejc.com/news/world/a-remarkable-week-for-jewish-nobel-prize-winners-1.49544

5 – Deuteronomy 5:33; 28:11; 29:9; 30:9

6 – Deuteronomy 30:9

7 – Genesis 1:28

8 – Genesis 9:1

9 – ‘God’: I use this term in inverted commas because ‘God’ is the generic term people use, while I don’t any more. I have an intimate relationship with the members of the Trinity, so I refer to them by name out of relationship.

wealth. I've even experienced the aversion they have towards rich people, which is quite palpable.

What has eluded modern Christians is that many of their organisation's members in the past made huge impacts on the world in the areas of discoveries and inventions. My article "100 Famous Bible-Believing Scientists"¹⁰ has an extensive list of significant scientists, engineers, chemists, astronomers, etc., who made impacts that are celebrated even today in their fields of endeavour. Apparently, it's OK for Christians to be significant and prosperous in the past, but not today. Where's the logic in that?

Probably the source comes from the teachings of Jesus. For example:

Luke 14:33 (NKJV) – *...whoever of you does not forsake¹¹ all that he has cannot be My disciple.*

This is in the section of Jesus' teaching where he states that his followers have to count the cost before they 'sign up' to it.¹² So does it spiritually follow that they can never be raised up to prosper by Father after they've abandoned everything to come into the Kingdom? We actually don't have biblical teaching that this will never happen. In fact, the teaching of the Apostles was not to become poor if you were rich, but for the rich to share their wealth with the poor. After all, the 'welfare' support of Jesus and later his apostles was more than likely finance supplied predominantly by rich benefactors.

Jesus did teach on what would happen to those who gave up all to follow him, and it wasn't, "Thou shalt all be poor". For example:

Matthew 19:29 (NKJV) – *And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife¹³ or children or lands¹⁴, for My name's sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life¹⁵.*

Notice that he states that they "*shall receive a hundredfold, **and** inherit eternal life*". "And" is an important word there as it clarifies the statement, but it's this single word that seems to have been ignored by the anti-rich. What Jesus was saying was that if you give up anything or everything, you will be reimbursed, and on top of that, you'll have "life age-during"¹⁶. What we did as evangelicals was to change this to read: 'we will receive a hundredfold of what we gave up **in** eternal life, which we will inherit'. Notice the subtle difference. We've changed the text from 'and' to 'in' and caused the verse to give a different message.

So what's been our problem with wealth?

The fear of having wealth and being prosperous is about losing our salvation because power and wealth corrupts us. You know the saying: "There are three destructive forces for men, gold, girls and glory". That fear of being taken over by wealth causes most Christians stay away from it. If they do have wealth, they will feel 'dirty', if they have any twinge of conscience. They look at Judas who was corrupted by the money he carried in the purse for Jesus and his entourage for living expenses. They take to heart the saying: "Money is the root of all evil". But the message from Paul is that "the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil"¹⁷. Now, that's different.

However, the question of corruption is actually an illogical one, because we are all corrupted. We live in a corrupted world since The Fall, and to one level or another we are all corrupted. Thinking that we're not at all corrupted is a bit like how biased we are. The reality is, it's not whether we're biased or not, because we're all biased. The question is, "In what areas are we biased", and "What is the bias that we're biased

10 – unmaskingevolution.com/29-100_scientists.htm

11 – MEANING: 'renounce', 'surrender claim to', 'give up', 'say good-bye to' (AMPC, PHILLIPS)

12 – Luke 14:32-34

13 – NU omits *or wife* www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+19%3A29&version=NKJV#en-NKJV-23792

14 – Literally *fields* www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+19%3A29&version=NKJV#en-NKJV-23792

15 – 'age-during life' (Young's Literal Translation)

16 – The literal meaning of the term.

17 – 1 Timothy 6:10 (NIV)

by”. The only thing that can be corrupted about us is that which is part of us which is not corrupt. That can only be our regenerated spirit, and any other part of us that has had corruption removed, but those will most likely be nothing at all when we look for them.

Fear of being corrupted by wealth, positions, status, authority and prosperity is not a fear that sons should be taken in by, because we know that fear doesn't belong in the Kingdom.¹⁸ That fear will stop us from stepping out in faith and actually being prospered and handling wealth. Joseph was trusted with wealth because he was trained and prepared, and he stepped out in faith. There was no Old Testament ban or fear of wealth; it was to be used to look after the less fortunate. The negativity is a Christian thing, because of our interpretation of scripture and of the influence of religion from the past. We're in a better Covenant now than the Old Covenant and the Old Covenant was based on Yahweh's blessing and favour for those who would align themselves with him. If we are in a better covenant, then prosperity and favour are ours as well. That's provided we align ourselves with what the Trinity want and we allow them to mold us, shape us and prepare us for handling authority and power and wealth and positions and the like.

So long as we administrate wealth and power in a righteous way and in alignment with the Holy Spirit, there is nothing wrong with them. We must get away from the mindset that only Jews are blessed under the Old Covenant and we're not. We must remember that not every Israelite in the past prospered. Many were slaves and servants, and the majority lived a menial life because the prosperity that was promised to them was not achieved by all. So, remember, we still live in a 'fallen' world where situations, circumstances and our choice in life make sure that we don't all prosper at the level we are destined to prosper.

What then is Heaven releasing to us in regard to sons prospering in their lives?

Here's a short account of one example:

Jim Maffuccio¹⁹ was led to visit Donald Trump's personal website before he became president and he was struck by the site and Trump's excellence. As he surfed the site he heard the Spirit say, "Why is that him and not you?"²⁰ He felt that he was hearing this question for the Body of Christ, not just for himself. The first thought that came into his mind was, "The devil isn't opposing him, because he's already got him, but he's opposing us Christians". As soon as he started thinking that, Jim heard a sharp rebuke in his spirit in modern vocabulary that he could understand. He heard, "When are you going to stop making excuses for why you don't succeed?" He then received an answer in reference to Trump. "Here's why it's him and not you. Number one: He doesn't have a picture of the future coming crashing to a close, where there's no real reason to build something long-term or generationally. He's actually out at sea on full throttle, not expecting to go off the edge of the Earth or to hit a cliff." (That's because he doesn't have any future baggage from Futurist Eschatology.) "Number two: For whatever reason, he actually expects to win." Jim was 'cut to the quick' by that because he realized that if anybody should expect to win and have a hope for the future, it should be God's people who have him living inside of them. That was an aha moment for Jim, one of many he's had over the previous two years. These moments have literally transformed the way he views his purpose on Earth. He now want to infect as many people as he can with a picture of hope for the future that's based in truth. One with accountability and an expectation that whatever we do, we're to do it with excellence so that the world will look at us and say, "Take me to your leader, because I want to learn his ways."²¹

This was recounted by Jim in an interview conducted by Bob Fraser, who made this statement: "I contend that we are kings and queens in the making, and kings control resources. Kings are influential. Kings

18 – "Fight Fear" canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Fight-Fear.pdf

"Nothing is Done Out of Fear in the Kingdom"

canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/Nothing-is-Done-Out-of-Fear-in-the-Kingdom.pdf

19 – Check Jim out here: "Ep. 32: Bob Fraser & Jim Maffuccio: Aspen Funds - Building a Business Partnership that Stands the Test of Time" thekingdomrei.com/ep-032-bob-fraser-and-jim-maffuccio-aspen-funds-building-a-business-partnership-that-stands-the-test-of-time

20 – Influential (29-11-2017) "Why Christians Lose: Permission to Win" www.youtube.com/watch?v=MhJtAYPVwg [8:07-8:15]

21 – 8:17-10:53

control. He wants to give us the ability to control resources and have influence, and have a pure heart in doing so. That's one of his objectives."²²

Jim Maffuccio added: "He raises sons and daughters, and chisels our character so that we can carry and contain and steward wisdom and riches and wealth and influence. That's his goal, for 'we are his workmanship'. We are what he's working on on the planet. And the way he works on us is, he gives us work to do under his tutelage, and he says, 'Go. Produce a return with what I've entrusted to you'. And it's really a joy. You enter into his joy when you actually do what he's given us to do, and exercise faith and good practice."²³

That's all different to what we've been taught in the past, and it may sound like the 'prosperity gospel'. However, the difference is humility, accountability, alignment with Heaven and the right heart attitude.

Father is preparing a selection of sons to handle wealth. There's a Joseph generation being formed who can handle money and authority (power) because they've been trained by him to be ready for it. The wealth creation or acquisition will be directed by Heaven and there will be no lust for it in these Josephs. They will have gone through 'the fire' of refinement so that humility and compliance are strong 'forces' in them. They will most likely even have an aversion to wealth and power, but they will acquiesce to Father's wishes so they can partner with him to carry out his plans.

Can you see how the Kingdom parable of the talents²⁴ is the background to what he's now doing?

Here's a message from our King to encourage you to move in the right attitude of blessing and favour:

"The Lord says, "You are in the Land of Discovery. No longer wandering the dry and desolate soil, you are seeing land of fertility. What you plant will grow and cause increase all around. Milk and Honey is in abundance and flowing fully for My Joy and Good Pleasure. The latter shall be greater than the former. Let that sink into your way of life. Take up the attitude of a winner for you are more than a conqueror.

*My Love is expanding in and through you. Just receive what I am doing this day. You do not need to strive to find My Love. It is available always, and you are increasing in ability to receive more and more. I am taking you from a poverty living in lack mindset into knowing that greater is coming on the horizon. When you shift your belief system to one that I am your Heavenly Father looking to give out blessing and favor, you will finally come to a place that I have desired you to live in."*²⁵

RESOURCES

VIDEO: "Why Christians Lose: Permission to Win" (Influent) [0:30-40:57]
www.youtube.com/watch?v=MhJtAYPVwg

VIDEO: "The Power to Create Wealth" (Influent) [2:05-19:57]
www.youtube.com/watch?v=dMhT3qp7cuo

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(Readers will need to look up for themselves any scriptures alluded to in this document)

22 – 19:04-19:28

23 – 20:04-20:45

24 – Matthew 25:14-29

25 – MaryEllen McCloud (17-11-2021) www.replenishedhope.com #replenishedhope #dailypropheticword #dailyprophetic @Replenishedhope