

Joshua 1:8

This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

Did you just read what I did in today's verse?

Think about it, the world has it "Get Rich" schemes. Hundreds, if not thousand of books have been written on being prosperous and successful. But not one of them mentions God's way as mentioned in today's verse.

† *"For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success."*

Why, because if they did, then they couldn't tell you to walk all over people and use whoever you could to obtain the status that you want in this world., because if you read God's word, the way to be prosperous and successful is not by being self-seeking, but rather by looking out for the needs of others.

Yet, when we start seeing things going bad, a lot of times it's because we see things the world's way, and not God's way. The world says if you don't have, and don't have lots of it, then you are a failure. God says that if you give what you have to those in need, then you are successful.

† *Mark 10:21-22 Then Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "One thing you lack: Go your way, sell whatever you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, take up the cross, and follow Me." But he was sad at this word, and went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.*

† *Luke 14:13-14 "But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you; for you shall be repaid at the resurrection of the just."*

The world wants to listen to it's own way of obtaining prosperity and success. But, whose way are you listening too, or who or what are you loving more, the things of this world, or those in the world who have need of things (food, clothing, homes, etc...)?

† *1 Cor 13:3 And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing.*

† *James 1:27 Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world.*

† **Romans 12:13 (NLT2)** *When God's people are in need, be ready to help them. Always be eager to practice hospitality.*