



## OPEN HEAVEN FOR TODAY 24 AUGUST 2023 DEVOTIONAL: GOD DELIGHTS IN OUR PROSPERITY

### Description

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### **TOPIC: GOD DELIGHTS IN OUR PROSPERITY**

### **MEMORISE: Joshua 1:8 (KJV)**

*This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.*

### **BIBLE TEXT: Luke 13:6-9 (KJV)**

<sup>6</sup> He spake also this parable; A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came and sought fruit thereon, and found none.

<sup>7</sup> Then said he unto the dresser of his vineyard, Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none: cut it down; why cumbereth it the ground?

<sup>8</sup> And he answering said unto him, Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung it:

<sup>9</sup> And if it bear fruit, well: and if not, then after that thou shalt cut it down.

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## RCCG OPEN HEAVEN FOR TODAY 24 AUGUST 2023 MESSAGE

The first lesson I want us to learn in today's devotional reading is that God is delighted in our prosperity and this is why He gave us His commandments.

Psalm 1:1-3 says:

***Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.***

As we progress in this second half of the year, we should take note of the factors that will aid our all-round prosperity.

Some people misinterpret or do not know why the rich man in Luke 12:16-21 died the way he did at the peak of his prosperity.

It was simply because he did not acknowledge God as the Source of his wealth.

He was also so engrossed in acquiring wealth that he did not know when his time was up; hence he did not prepare for eternity (Luke 16:21).

His error was not that he became rich because as a matter of fact, God is interested in the prosperity of His children.

The Bible says in 3 John 2:

***Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.***

The Bible says further that God gives the power to get wealth (Deuteronomy 8:18). The Church also is expected to prosper through all-round growth.

For example, Luke 12:1 describes the audience of Jesus as an 'innumerable multitude of people' which signifies a huge growth in His ministry.

Zechariah 1:17 also says that, through prosperity shall the cities of the Lord be spread abroad.

The Bible, however, also says that the so-called prosperity of sinners shall destroy them (Proverbs 1:32).

Beware of ungodly means of getting wealth, so that you can avoid the sorrows that come with ill gotten riches (1 Timothy 6:6-10).

## OPEN HEAVEN FOR TODAY 24 AUGUST 2023 PRAYER POINT

Father, use me to prove to the world that you love the prosperity of your children.

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## **RCCG BIBLE IN ONE YEAR**

Ezekiel 1-4

### **RCCG HYMN 26: There Shall Be Showers of Blessing**

<sup>1</sup> There shall be showers of blessing:  
This is the promise of love;  
There shall be seasons refreshing,  
Sent from the Saviour above.

Refrain:  
Showers of blessing,  
Showers of blessing we need;  
Mercy drops round us are falling,  
But for the showers we plead.

<sup>2</sup> There shall be showers of blessing,  
Precious reviving again;  
Over the hills and the valleys,  
Sound of abundance of rain.

<sup>3</sup> There shall be showers of blessing:  
Send them upon us, O Lord!  
Grant to us now a refreshing;  
Come, and now honour Thy Word.

<sup>4</sup> There shall be showers of blessing,  
Oh, that to-day they might fall,  
Now, as to God, we're confessing.  
Now as on Jesus we call!

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