

FROM OVERWHELMED TO OVERFLOWING

Enjoying the Goodness of God – Part 10

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2 WAYS TO APPROACH LIFE:

1. A SHORTAGE MINDSET: “I never have enough and never will.”

The Focus: My limited resources

The Result: An overwhelmed life

2. A SURPLUS MINDSET: “God has more than I’ll ever need.”

The Focus: God’s limitless resources

The Result: An overflowing life

PSALM 23:5 (NCV) –*You fill my cup to overflowing.*

WHAT IS MY CUP? My life

On the final and climactic day of the Feast, Jesus took his stand. He cried out, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Rivers of living water will brim and spill out of the depths of anyone who believes in me this way....” – John 7:37-38 MSG

WHAT IS AN OVERFLOWING LIFE? A life filled beyond capacity with God’s goodness!

“I am the holy LORD God, the one who rescues you. For your own good, I teach you, and I lead you along the right path. How I wish that you had obeyed my commands! Your success and good fortune would have then overflowed like a flooding river.” – Isaiah 48:17-18 CEV

Jesus: *“I came that they may have and enjoy life, and have it in abundance—to the full, til it overflows.” – John 10:10 AMP*

HOW CAN I EXPERIENCE AN OVERFLOWING LIFE?

1. Stay connected to Jesus every day.

“I am the vine, and you are the branches. If you stay joined to me, and I stay joined to you, then you will produce lots of fruit. But you cannot do anything without me.” – John 15:5 CEV

But if you stay in me and obey my commands, you may ask any request you like, and it will be granted! My true disciples produce bountiful harvests.... When you obey me, you are living in my love.... I have told you this so that you will be filled with my joy. Yes, your cup of joy will OVERFLOW!” – John 15:7-8, 10-11 LB

2. Stop complaining and start being grateful.

Do everything without complaining and arguing.... – Phil. 2:14 NLT

Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus. – 1 Thess. 5:17

3. Stop being stingy and start being generous.

Remember this: The farmer who plants a few seeds will have a very small harvest. But the farmer who plants because he has received God's blessings will receive a harvest of God's blessings in return. Each of you should give whatever you have decided. You shouldn't be sorry that you gave or feel forced to give, since God loves a cheerful giver. Besides, God will give you his constantly OVERFLOWING kindness. Then, when you will always have everything you need, you can do more and more good things. – 2 Cor. 9:6-8 GW

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in My house, and test me now in this," says the LORD of hosts, "if I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out a blessing until it OVERFLOWS." – Mal. 3:10 NASB

Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full—pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, RUNNING OVER, and poured into your lap. The amount that you give will determine the amount that you get back." – Luke 6:38 NLT