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“Ways to joyfully prosper this January”

*“Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health,
even as thy soul prospereth.” - 3 John 1:2*

I. What should we know about 3 John?

- 1) Shortest book in the Bible based on Wordcount.
- 2) 1 of 3 letters written by John.
- 3) 3rd to last book in the Bible.
- 4) Written to a generous man named Gaius.
- 5) Addresses an issue w/ Diotrephes who was oppositional to those who carry God’s Word.

II. What are John’s desires for the reader in 3 John 1:2?

- a) Financial prosperity – “I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper...”
- b) Physical prosperity – “...and be in health”
- c) Spiritual prosperity – “...even as thy soul prospereth.”

III. Practical & easy ways to joyfully prosper in life

- 1) Fuel your soul with prayer
- 2) Fill your heart with God's word
- 3) Follow God's plan for your life
- 4) Flow according to the Holy Spirit
- 5) Function in the love of Christ & spread this love
- 6) Find time for rest, laughter, & recreation
- 7) Form healthier habits all around
- 8) Foresee yourself in the future
- 9) Fight for what you believe in
- 10) Fly high when others fly low
- 11) Focus on your purpose/passion
- 12) Feverishly read about new topics
- 13) Flourish & excel without apology
- 14) Fertilize the dreams of others
- 15) Free yourself of toxic people
- 16) Faithfully tithe & give God your first fruits
- 17) Figure out how to do more w/ less
- 18) Feed your savings & investments
- 19) Be fruitful with your time, talent, temple, & treasure
- 20) Remember that future finances are impacted by present decisions
- 21) Frequently check on family & friends
- 22) Foster friendships that are life-giving
- 23) Familiarize yourself with your ancestry
- 24) Forgive always & forget the best you can
- 25) Flip the page & write a new chapter