

God's Provision For Perfect Victory

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God's provision for perfect victory means to be victorious in everything, spiritually, physically, financially, and in all else that concerns us.

God has made the provision for us to be victorious; the Blood has been provided as the merit; the entire power of God is the means, and the Word of God tells us how to receive it.

Furthermore, God does not ask us to do anything in our own strength, for He has provided not only the things we need and desire, but He has also furnished the wisdom and the power to receive them.

Satan's great object, his greatest delight, is to have us continue with some unscriptural thing or cause us to be short of perfect victory on some one thing, just enough to defile our conscience and hinder our faith. He tries to make us think that we cannot have perfect victory in everything.

The devil focuses on one area in our lives where we are not victorious and puts up his greatest fight in order to defile our conscience. We must not tolerate the devil and his plans by making excuses and accepting excuses from the devil, which he uses and supplies to keep us out of victory.

God has made a provision for our spiritual deliverance from every power of the devil and every evil thing and for us to have a heart and conscience in a position to exercise real faith and also to enjoy God Himself.

The greatest and the only all-sufficient need that we all have is to realize the presence of God and His favor and blessing and of the manifestations of His presence and of union and fellowship with Him.

Our uniting with Jesus Christ's death and resurrection life and power depends on a clear conscience. If we do not have a clear conscience, we are not in a position to believe that our heart is pure and clean. If there are things in our lives that we know are not Scriptural, whether one or more, things that we are tolerating, we can never believe we are united to Christ.

It is a real fact that the full power of the resurrection life of Christ cannot flow through us unless we believe with our hands clean and our hearts pure. We are to be kept by that Life, by the power of God; but it is through faith. Well, with a defiled conscience we cannot believe.

John says— *"For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things."* (1st John 3:20)

If we are tolerating anything in our lives that is not according to God's will, we cannot believe. *"If our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart."*

This does not mean that the Blood of Christ does not cover our sins, but it does mean that through our defiled conscience we will be unable to believe God's Word. Our sins are forgiven from the foundation of the world. God does not have a thing against us. But we cannot believe this when we have a defiled conscience, and then it goes on— *"Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God. And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight."* (Verses 21,22)

That shows the condition of using Mark 11:24, *"What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them."*

It certainly means we are to have a clean heart, or we will not be in a position to believe. If we do not, Satan can overwhelm us with his doubts and fears and block our answers to prayers.

In Proverbs 28:13, it reveals to us—and any of us can do it—just how to get thoroughly free from every defilement of conscience. It says— *"He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy."*

This means to go along with something in our lives that we know is not right." It may be a little thing, it may be a grudge against somebody, it may be an unwillingness to meet things right in our home, and it may be some other thing that is not just right; that we are not willing to believe God and instead listen to Satan's suggestions more than God's.

Well, now, we do not have to have any of those things, for it says that if we cover them up or tolerate them, "we will not prosper." It will work against us somehow or other, in our lives. It will be like a lump of leaven—hindering our whole Christian life and robbing us of the blessings of God.

You know, this Christian life if it is not lived right, makes people miserable. None of us have it right at first, but there comes a time when we can have it right, if we will. We can understand things and be in a position to receive just the Light we need.

But to have the real thing, the fellowship with God, real faith in Him, getting what we desire in answer to prayer—things worth having—that is what makes it glad tidings of great joy and real good news. That is the meaning of the word "Gospel"—good news. But if we do not believe it or are not in a position to believe it, it is really no better than bad news.

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So, if there is anything in any life, yours or mine, any time or anywhere, that is defiling our

