

## OPEN HEAVENS & SUPER SE

### I. A Renewed Mind or a Poverty Spirit

*God's goal* that our souls prosper. What does that mean?

It means our personalities are suited for the blessings of God. It's a wholesome way of thinking and a way of feeling about life, health, money, ... You name it! It is Kingdom Thinking! It reflects **Who** He Is and **How** He Is.

3 John 2 NAS Beloved, I pray that *in all respects* you may prosper and be in *good health*, just as your soul prospers.

### II. Blessings of First Fruits

A. Your Last can be your First. Widow and Elijah

B. Firstfruits is Causes a Blessing that Remains

Ezek 44:30 NKJ The best of all firstfruits of any kind, ... shall be the priest's; also you shall give to the priest the first of your ground meal, **to cause a blessing to rest on your house.**

C. The Prophetic Opportunity

**The tithe is what we give after the harvest, the first fruits is what we give before.**

### III. Principles and Patterns

A. First Fruits is a **Pattern** not Law.

Simply, we honor the Lord with the **first** and the **best** and the **whole** is blessed.

A Pattern reveals how the Lord works, it is a revelation of **His ways.**

B. The Function of First Fruits

1. Through Firstfruits we sanctify our **whole** life and **all** we love.

**Rom 11:16 NIV** If the part of the dough offered as **firstfruits is holy, then the whole batch is holy**; if the root is holy, so are the branches.

When something is **sanctified** to the Lord, He **treats it as His own**. It is kept, blessed, increased and enlarged to great capacities.

2. Firstfruits Principle in New Testament:

**1 Cor 15:20 NKJ** But **now Christ** is risen from the dead, and **has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep**.

**James 1:18 NKJ** Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that **we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures**.

3. Firstfruits Makes Your Voice Heard

**Heb 11:4** By faith Abel offered God a better sacrifice than Cain did. ... And **by faith he still speaks**, even though he is dead.

4. Generosity is Readout of Love Quality

**2 Cor 8:8-9** I am not commanding you, but ***I want to test the sincerity of your love*** by comparing it with the earnestness of others.

## C. Giving Connects Us to that which is Beyond

We Give According to What We Have. In offerings give part of ourselves— our offerings **take us beyond** our present situation.

**2 Cor 8:12 NIV** For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to **what one has**, not according to **what he does not have**.

## IV. GM Seeds (God-Mandated)

A seed an embryonic information capsule, carrying all the instructions needed for increase and multiplication. A seed is alive and packed with limitless potential.

Seeds are “future containers” holding God’s blueprint for future generations.

### A. Part of the **Time Structure** of creation!

**Gen 8:22** “While the earth remains, Seedtime and harvest,  
Cold and heat, Winter and summer,  
And day and night Shall not cease.” **NKJV**

### B. God's Eternal **Purposes** are in seeds of **joy!** “*Yitzhak*”

**Gen 21:12** But God said to Abraham, “Do not let it be displeasing in your sight ...; for in *Isaac* your seed shall be called.  
**NKJV**

The seed of **JOYFUL, CRAZY LAUGHTER** blesses all the nations on Earth.

**Gen 26:4...** in your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed; **NKJV**

C. **Children are seeds.** The Creator Himself became a seed of His creation and as a seed broke the bondage of decay and released the power of an endless life!

**Gen 3:15** And I will put enmity  
Between you and the woman,  
And between your seed and **her Seed**;....” **NKJV**

D. **Words are Seeds**, containing a potential future. Every word contains in a future reality in an immature form:

**Luke 8:11** “Now the parable is this: **The seed is the word of God.** **NKJV**

E. **Offerings are Seeds**, containing a potential future. Every offering contains in a future reality in an immature form. It releases the creative activity of God:

## V. The Importance of Sowing!

**Sowing seed is the response of faith** to God's SOVEREIGN purposes. As seed sowers, we participate in filling the earth with the **glory** of the Lord, the **knowledge** of the Lord and the **joy** of the Lord!

We have a different sense of time and timing than the world, because we see and participate in a superior reality.

**Gen 26:12** Then Isaac **sowed** in that land, and **reaped** in the same year a **hundredfold**; and the LORD blessed him. **13** The man began to **prosper**, and **continued prospering** until he became **very prosperous**; **NKJV**

**2 Cor 9:6** But this I say: He who **sows** sparingly will also **reap** sparingly, and he who **sows bountifully** will also **reap bountifully**. **7** So **let each one give** as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for **God loves a cheerful giver**. **8** And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work.

**10** Now may He who supplies **seed to the sower**, and **bread for food**, supply and **multiply** the **seed you have sown** and increase the fruits (NIV—harvest) of your righteousness, **NKJV**

**11** You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. **NIV**

**FIRST FRUIT INSTRUCTIONS— GET YOUR OFFERING READY.**

## **Principle 1: Firstfruits make it all holy**

### **Practical Steps**

#### **RELEASING THE BLESSING— Charles & Anne**