

1 Timothy 4:7,8,

But †reject profane and old wives' fables, and †exercise yourself toward godliness  
**Amplified says Train yourself toward godliness, [keeping yourself spiritually fit].**

**8** For †bodily exercise profits a little, but godliness is profitable for all things, †having promise **of the life that now is** and of that which is to come. these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident to all

The Life that now is means that God wants us to be profitable in this life. It is profitable not to just the spirit, but to the soul the body to all things.

**There are at least four things that Godliness insures**

## **1. Godliness Insures Protection**

**If you have property or anything of value you protect it**

### **Luke 8:43**

<sup>43</sup>And a woman having an issue of blood for twelve years, who had spent all her living upon physicians but could not be healed by any,

<sup>44</sup>came behind Him and touched the border of His garment; and immediately her issue of blood was stanchèd.

<sup>45</sup>And Jesus said, "Who touched Me?" When all denied it, Peter and those who were with him said, "Master, the multitudes throng Thee and press Thee, and sayest Thou, `Who touched Me?'"

<sup>46</sup>And Jesus said, "Somebody hath touched Me, for I perceive that virtue is gone out of Me."

<sup>47</sup>And when the woman saw that she was not hid, she came trembling, and falling down before Him, she declared unto Him before all the people for what cause she had touched Him, and how she was healed immediately.

<sup>48</sup>And He said unto her, "Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole. Go in peace."

I want you to notice that Jesus didn't say nobody touched me!

No he said somebody touched me!

In Leviticus this poor woman was in the same class as a leper, and a leper had to separate himself from the rest of society, if somebody got to close to him he had to cry Unclean! Unclean! Unclean!

Jesus was not upset that she was unclean, no; He transformed this nobody to a somebody. The world may say you're nobody and try to put you in a class of your own and separate you. I am here to tell you today you are somebody of great value to God.

You are a child of God, A joint heir with Jesus Christ- you have access to the same inheritance as Jesus. You are in the family of God!

## You are somebody!!!

### Eph 5:28

For <sup>t</sup>we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones.

If you have something of great value you protect it

You are valuable to God and he will protect you

### Psalms 91:2

I will say of the LORD, " *He is my refuge and my fortress; My God, in Him I will trust.*"<sup>3</sup> Surely <sup>t</sup>He shall deliver you from the snare of the <sup>t</sup>fowler *And* from

the perilous pestilence.<sup>4</sup> <sup>t</sup>He shall cover you with His feathers, And under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth *shall be your* shield and <sup>t</sup>buckler.

## 2. Promotion is coming

**Godliness insures promotion**

### Consider Joseph

He stayed true to God; yes he was sold into slavery, and then placed in prison  
But I want you to notice that God was with him. God blessed him in Egypt.  
Most people would become bitter after spending years in prison,  
But Joseph was faithful to God and God made him prime minister of a nation.  
Joseph said no to Potiphar's wife. What You Are Willing To Walk Away From  
Determines What God Will Bring To You. God doesn't always pay the first of the  
month but let me tell you this, with God payday is coming!

#### Gal 6: 7

Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.<sup>8</sup> For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life.<sup>9</sup> And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

If you keep with it sooner or later you are going to rise to the top!

## 3. Prosperity

#### Deut 8:18

“And you shall remember the Lord your God, for it is He who gives you power to **get wealth**, that He may establish His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day.

## **Duet 28:8**

The Lord shall open to you His good treasury, the heavens, to give the rain of your land in its season and to bless all the work of your hands;

The bible tells us that that as long as King Uzziah sought the Lord, God made him prosper

## **2 Chronicles 26:5**

He sought God in the days of Zechariah, who had understanding in the visions of God; and as long as he sought the Lord, God made him prosper.

## **Look at Joshua**

When Joshua had to step in to fill Moses shoes and lead the children of Israel into the Promise Land

God gave him the formula for true biblical success in Joshua 1:8

## **Joshua 1:8**

8 This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

## **1 Tim 4:15**

15 Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear to all.

## **4. It will lengthen your days**

## **Psalms 91:1**

He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High Shall abide <sup>t</sup>under the shadow of the Almighty.

**2** I will say of the LORD, “ *He is my refuge and my fortress; My God, in Him I will trust.*”

## **Jump down to verse 15**

15 He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him and honor him.16 **With long life I will satisfy him,** And show him My salvation.”

## **Eph 6:1-3**

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.**2** “*Honor your father and mother,*” which is the first commandment with promise:

**3** “*that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth.*”

- 1. You are Valuable to God- and he will protect you**
- 2. Promotion is coming**
- 3. It will cause you to prosper**
- 4. It will prolong your life**

Go after the things of God spend time in His word, this will profit every part of your life!