

THE OVERFLOWING LIFE

1. A SHORTAGE mindset: I never have enough and never will

2 KINGS 4:42-44 screen "A man brought Elisha the prophet some loaves of bread. Elisha said, 'Give it to the people so they can eat.' Elisha's servant said 'There's not enough here for a hundred people.' 'Just give it to them,' replied Elisha. 'The Lord has promised that there will be more than enough.' So the servant gave the bread to the people. They ate until full and still had some left over, just as God had promised." (CEV)

o The Focus of a SHORTAGE mindset: MY LIMITED RESOURCES

o The Result of a SHORTAGE mindset: AN OVERWHELMED LIFE

2. A SURPLUS mindset: God has more than I'll ever need

PH. 4:19 "You can be sure that God will supply everything - all that you need - from his abundant wealth that he pours out on us through not Jesus Christ."

o The Focus of a SURPLUS mindset: GOD'S LIMITLESS RESOURCES

o The Result: AN OVERFLOWING LIFE

It's the life David refers to in **PS. 23:5** "You fill my cup to overflowing."
"You give me more than I can hold." (ICB) "My cup overflows!" (NIV)

The Growing Relationship in Christ.

Compare vs 1 "I have everything I need. vs. 5 "I have MORE than I need!"

The key to an Overflowing Life is to completely trust in Jesus!

WHAT IS AN OVERFLOWING LIFE? A def:

To be filled beyond capacity with an endless supply of God's goodness

Because GOD IS GOOD -everything He does in my life is for my good!

ISA. 48:17-18 "I am the holy God 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! Then your success and good fortune would have OVERFLOWed like a flooding river!" (CEV)

JN. 10:10 (Amp) Jesus "I've come that you may have real life, and enjoy it in abundance - to the fullest, until it overflows!"

SO HOW CAN I EXPERIENCE AN OVERFLOWING LIFE?

4 Daily Habits- scientific proof of the value

1. STAY CONNECTED TO JESUS EVERYDAY!

JN.15:5 Jesus "I am the vine, and you are the branches. If you stay connected to me... you'll produce a lot of fruit. But you can't do anything without me

JN. 15:7-11 Jesus "If you stay connected to me and My Words remain in you, you may ask any request you like, and it will be granted! My true disciples produce much fruit. This brings glory to my Father... So, stay connected to my love. You stay connected to my love when you obey me... I've told you this so that you'll be filled with my joy. Yes, your cup of joy will OVERFLOW!" (NLT/LB)

2. STOP COMPLAINING AND START BEING GRATEFUL

PH. 2:14 "In everything you do, stay away from complaining and arguing.."

COL. 2:7 "Let your lives overflow with thanksgiving for all God has done."

1 TH. 5:18 "No matter what happens, always be thankful, for this is

3. STOP COMPARING AND START BEING CONTENTED

2 COR. 10:12 "We do not make the mistake of comparing ourselves with others. When we compare ourselves we are foolish."

1 COR. 4:7^{screen} "Who says you are better than others? And what do you have that was not given to you? And if it was given to you, why do you brag as if you did not receive it as a gift?" (NCV)

PR. 14:30 "It's healthy to be content, but envy will eat you up." (CEV)

ECCL. 4:6 "It is better to be content with what you have than to always be struggling for more. That is like chasing the wind." (NCV)

4. STOP BEING STINGY & START BEING GENEROUS

2 COR. 9:6-8 "Remember this: A stingy planter will only reap a small crop. But anyone who sows generously will also reap generously. So, each of you should give serious consideration to what you want to give God, not reluctantly or under pressure, for God loves a cheerful giver. And you can be sure that God is able to bless you with all his grace, so that in ALL things, at ALL times, you will ALWAYS have ALL you need, and you'll ALSO OVERFLOW so you can give to EVERY good work."

HAGGAI 1:6 "You've spent a lot of money but don't have much to show for it. You have food, but not enough to fill you up. You have drink, but not enough to satisfy your thirst. You have clothes, but not enough to stay warm. You earn money but it disappears fast as if you had holes in your pockets! And the income you bring home gets blown away. Consider why this is happening! It's because you are too busy building your own fine house that you haven't built My Temple, the house of worship. That's why I'm withholding your blessing." (NLT)

MAL. 3:10 "Bring your full tithe to My Storehouse, so that there will be food in My House. Test Me now in this," says the Lord, "and see if I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you a blessing until it OVERFLOWS." (NAS)

LK. 6:38 Jesus: "If you give, you will receive back. Your gift will be returned to you in full measure, packed down and shaken to make room for more, and running over. Whatever measure you use in giving—large or small—it will be used to measure whatever is given back to you." (NLT)