**Sunday, 1 January, 2023**

**Year of Prosperity and Success**

Are you ready for a year of prosperity and success? First, God reveals His will is for us to prosper and succeed in all things. Then, God provides four simple steps to enable us to prosper and succeed in 2023 and every year. Joshua 1:7-8

Four steps to prosperity and success in all things

1. Be strong and courageous – Joshua 1:6, 7, 9
   1. To turn away means not following God’s Word or commands.
   2. How can we be strong and courageous? Deuteronomy 31:7-8
2. Put God’s Word in your mouth - Speak God’s Word – Joshua 1:8
   1. Your Words produce fruit – Proverbs 18:20
   2. God’s Word in your mouth has power – Proverbs 18:21
3. Put God’s Word in your heart – meditate day and night – Joshua 1:8
   1. God’s Word in your heart will produce faith to believe the impossible - Romans 10:8, 17
4. Live by the Word – Joshua 1:8
   1. The ability to be a doer of the Word comes from speaking the Word and putting the Word in your heart (meditating in the Word every day) – Deuteronomy 30:14
   2. Living by the Word will cause you to be blessed in all you do - James 1:25

Conclusion: God wants you to prosper and succeed in everything in 2023 and every year. He gives you four simple steps that will help you begin this new year to be strong and courageous, put God's Word in your mouth and heart, and be a doer of the Word in every area of life. Then God will bring prosperity and success.

Discussion Questions:

1. How can you be strong and courageous?
2. Where does God's Word need to be to prosper and succeed?
3. How do you receive the ability to live by the Word?