



## ***Expanding Your Capacity to Receive from God*** **Presented by Elder J.D. Hatchell**

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### **Sermon Notes**

#### **Capacity Defined**

- Capacity – The ability to receive or contain
  - The maximum amount or number that can be received or contained
  - Power of receiving impressions, knowledge, mental ability
  - Actual or potential ability to perform, yield, or produce

#### **Embrace Your Current Place**

- **Maximize Your Moment to Build Momentum**
  - **Use it or lose it**
    - Matthew 25:1-10 – Parable of the wise and foolish virgins (oil in lamps)
    - Matthew 25:14-30 – Parable of the Talents
    - 2 Kings 4:1-7 – The woman who only had a pot of oil

#### **Get Ready, Get Ready, Get Ready...**

##### **Isaiah 54:1-3 (NIV)**

"Sing, O barren woman,  
you who never bore a child;  
burst into song, shout for joy,  
you who were never in labor;  
because more are the children of the desolate woman  
than of her who has a husband,"  
says the LORD. 2 "Enlarge the place of your tent,  
stretch your tent curtains wide,  
do not hold back;  
lengthen your cords,  
strengthen your stakes.  
3 For you will spread out to the right and to the left;  
your descendants will dispossess nations  
and settle in their desolate cities.

#### **Prepare**

##### **John 14:1-3 (NKJ)**

1"Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. 2 In My Father's house are many mansions; if *it were not so*, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, *there* you may be also.

### **Overflow is Available**

#### **2 Corinthians 9:6-8 (NKJ)**

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.

### **Receive Godly Prosperity**

#### **3 John 1:2 (NKJ)**

2 Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers.

### **Joshua 1:5-9 (NKJ) -- Do what God already told you to do**

5 No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life; as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you nor forsake you. 6 Be strong and of good courage, for to this people you shall divide as an inheritance the land which I swore to their fathers to give them. 7 Only be strong and very courageous, that you may observe to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go. 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. 9 Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.”

### **Understand the Rules of the Game**