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*A Biblical Field Guide for Becoming
the Man Your Family Can Count On*

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INTRODUCTION

More Than a Paycheck

Most men measure their success as a provider by one thing: **MONEY**

And while money matters, it is the smallest part of what God called you to provide.

The word *provide* comes from the Latin *providere* — "to see ahead."

A provider doesn't just bring home a check. He sees what his family needs before they have to ask.

He anticipates. He prepares. He leads.

But here is a question I want you to sit with before we go any further:

Are you providing or are you just surviving?

There is a version of provision that looks successful from the outside but is running on fear from the inside. The man who works hard because he's afraid of what happens if he stops. Who measures his value by his income and has never stopped to ask whether any of it is actually filling him.

I know that man. I was that man.



God's original design for your life was never scarcity.

It was never grind.

It was never fear about where the next dollar would come from.

It was abundance.

And understanding that truth changes everything about how you work, how you give, and how you see yourself as a man.

"But if anyone does not provide for his relatives, and especially for members of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever." —1 Timothy 5:8

That is not a guilt trip. That is a calling.

And God never calls you to something He hasn't already equipped you to do.

Let's go back to the beginning and find out what He put inside you.

Jehovah Jireh

The God Who Provides First

Day 1

What Does It Really Mean for God to Be Our Provider?

Jehovah Jireh.

Most men have heard the name.

Few have built their lives on what it actually means.

The name appears in **Genesis 22**.

It's the moment Abraham raises the knife over his son Isaac and God stops him, providing a ram in the thicket at the exact moment it was needed. Abraham named that place Jehovah Jireh.

"The Lord Will Provide."

Not *"The Lord provided once."*

Not *"The Lord provides when you deserve it."*

But here's what most men miss:

God didn't just provide the ram in that moment.

He had already placed the ram on that mountain before Abraham ever arrived.

The provision preceded the need.

That is who God is.

**He doesn't scramble.
He doesn't react.**

He prepares the provision before you even know you need it.

***"I have never seen the righteous
forsaken or their children begging
bread." —Psalm 37:25***



Jehovah Jireh.

The Lord Will Provide.

Not the Lord might provide.

Not the Lord will provide if you're good enough.

He placed the ram on the mountain

before Abraham left home.

***"And my God will supply every need of yours
according to his riches in glory in
Christ Jesus."***

Philippians 4:19

How Does God Provide for the Ones He Loves?

Think about how God has provided throughout Scripture.

He didn't give His people a financial plan.

He gave them manna in the desert.

DAILY, FRESH, EXACTLY ENOUGH.

He sent ravens to Elijah.

He fed five thousand with a boy's lunch.

God provides through His character.

He is faithful by nature.

Through His creation He built a world loaded with resources.

Through His Spirit who lives inside you.

Through His people, community is a form of provision.

"Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?" - Matthew 6:26

He is not stingy.

He is not withholding.

He is not watching to see if you fail.



Reflection & Response

Take a moment to slow down and think deeply.
Success isn't about what you've achieved — it's about who you're becoming.

1. How do you currently define success?

What would "making it" look like for you right now and who told you that's what success means?

2. Where have you been chasing achievement more than purpose?

Are there areas in your life where you've been striving for approval, control, or comfort instead of God's will?

3. What would success look like if you measured it the way God does?

How would your priorities shift — in your work, your marriage, your time, and your heart?

Action Step

Write down one area of your life where you've been chasing the world's definition of success.

Confess it to God out loud and declare:

"Lord, I want Your definition of success — not mine, not the world's. Teach me to measure my life by eternal impact, not temporary applause."

Before the Fall

*What Provision Was Always Meant
to Look Like*

DAY 2

God Prepared the Table Before He Made the Guest

Here is something that should stop you cold.

*When God created the world,
He didn't make man first and
then scramble to figure out
what he needed.*

He spent five days building out an entire planet.

Filling it with food, water, beauty, purpose, and resources and then

He made man.

Man walked into a fully furnished world.

Adam didn't earn any of it. He didn't hustle for it. He didn't perform for it. He received it.

*"I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food." —
Genesis 1:29*

God's original design for provision was this:

**You are cared for.
You are covered.
You lack nothing.**

Now go tend what I've given you and fill the earth with My glory.

THAT WAS THE ASSIGNMENT.

Not to survive, but to steward.
Not to scrape, but to multiply.
Not to grind out existence, but to enjoy it with God.

This is not a picture of passive laziness.

Adam worked. He tended the garden, he named the animals, he cultivated. But he worked from rest, not from fear. He worked from abundance, not from scarcity.

"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it." —Psalm 24:1

God set the table

before He made the man.

Provision was never something
you were meant to chase.

It was always something

you were meant to steward.

What Would Your Day Look Like If You Were Fully Provided For?

This is a question worth sitting with.

**IF EVERY NEED WAS
GENUINELY MET.**

financially, spiritually, emotionally,
physically

What would you do?

Not what would you buy.

What would you do? How would you
treat people? What risks would you
take? What generosity would flow out
of you? What dreams would you
finally pursue?

Here's the uncomfortable truth:

***that question is not
hypothetical.***

That is actually the life you were
designed to live. A man rooted in God's
provision doesn't make decisions out of
fear. He makes them out of faith. He
works hard — not to survive, but to
multiply. He gives generously — not
because he has extra, but because he
trusts the supply.

***"For God has not given us a spirit of
fear, but of power and of love and of a
sound mind." —2 Timothy 1:7***



**What would
you do?**

Reflection & Response

Slow down. This is about God's original dream for you — not the survival mode you may have accepted.

1. What would you do differently tomorrow if you truly believed you were fully provided for?

In your work, your generosity, your leadership at home — how would fear-free living look?

2. Are you working from rest or from fear?

Be honest. Is your work motivated by calling and purpose — or by anxiety about what happens if you stop?

3. What does God's original design for your provision look like — and how far are you from it?

Not the dollar amount. The posture. The peace. The confidence that you are covered.

Action Step

Write down one area of your life where fear is driving your financial decisions. Lay it before God.

Ask Him: "Show me what stewarding in faith looks like here."

"God, I was designed for abundance, not survival. Teach me to work from rest and trust — not from fear and striving."

Lack Is Not God's Design

How the Fall Broke Everything

DAY 3

Where Scarcity Came From

If God's original design was abundance, then why do so many men, including good, faithful men, live with financial stress, scarcity, and fear?

BECAUSE SOMETHING WENT WRONG.

When Adam and Eve stepped outside of God's design, it broke the entire system. **Sin** fractured the relationship between **man** and his **Creator**, **man** and the **earth**, **man** and his **purpose**.

"Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat food from it all the days of your life. By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food." - Genesis 3:17-19

Before the fall, man worked from a place of rest, creativity, and abundance. After the fall, work became grinding, exhausting, and uncertain.

This is the origin story of every economy built on scarcity and fear. Every stock market driven by panic. Every man who works himself to death trying to feel like enough.

LACK IS NOT GOD'S DESIGN.

Lack is the result of the fall. And the good news, the life-changing good news is that Jesus came to reverse it.

"And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus." —Philippians 4:19



THE WORLD'S ECONOMY

is built on scarcity and fear.

Buy low. Sell high. Guard what you have.

GOD'S ECONOMY

is built on abundance and faith.

Sow generously. Trust the harvest. Give freely.

***"Give, and it will be given to you —
good measure, pressed down, shaken
together, running over."***

Luke 6:38

There Is No Lack With God

Here is the theological bedrock under everything else in this resource:

GOD DOES NOT EXPERIENCE SCARCITY.

And neither should the man who walks with Him.

***"And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
- Philippians 4:19***

His riches.

Not your performance.
Not your hustle.
Not the economy.

His riches, which have no ceiling, no recession, and no end.

Whether you make a lot or a little, you do not have to live in fear.

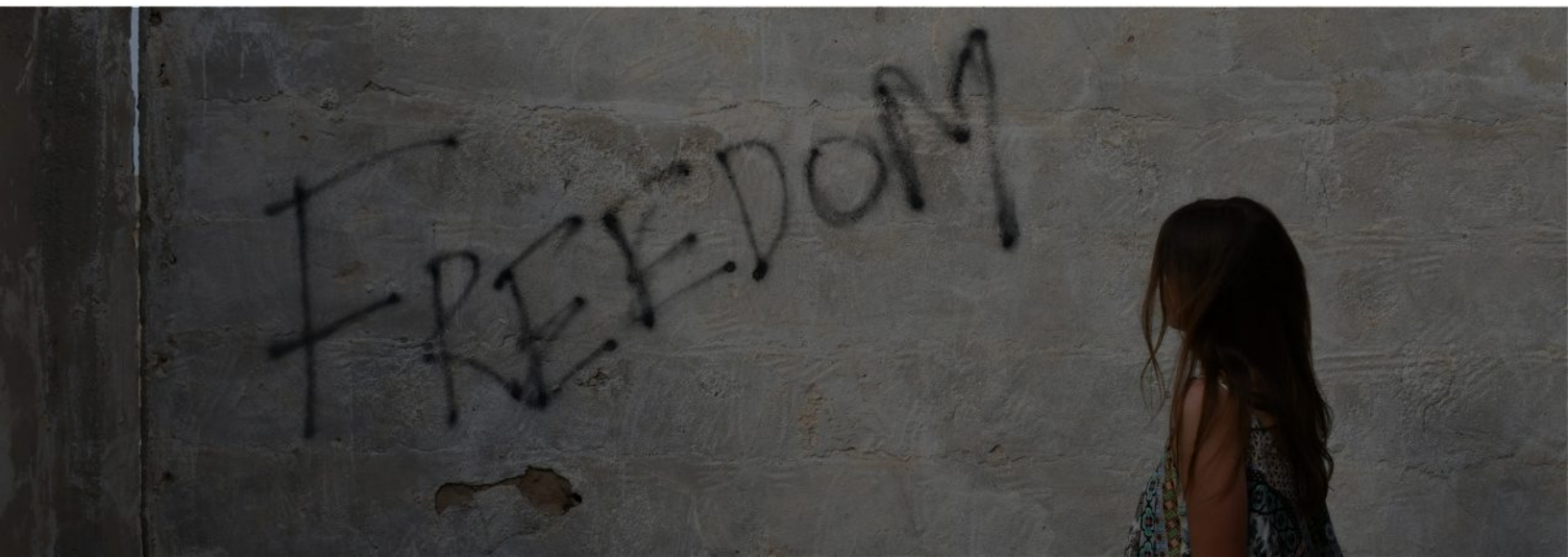
That is freedom.

And it is available to every man in Christ.

Not because he earned it, but because Jesus paid for it.

The man who lives by the world's economy is always one bad quarter away from panic. The man who lives in God's economy has a source the world cannot touch.

"Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you." —Matthew 6:33



Reflection & Response

Get honest with yourself today. This isn't about money — it's about what you actually believe.

1. What fears about money are you carrying right now that you haven't surrendered to God?

In your work, your generosity, your leadership at home — how would fear-free living look?

2. Has the world's scarcity economy shaped how you think more than God's Word has?

Be honest. Is your work motivated by calling and purpose — or by anxiety about what happens if you stop?

3. What would shift in your home if you led from abundance instead of fear?

Not the dollar amount. The posture. The peace. The confidence that you are covered.

Action Step

Write down the biggest financial fear you carry. Then write next to it: "God's supply has no ceiling." Pray over it and surrender it today.

Pray over it and surrender it today.

"God, there is no lack with You. I choose Your economy over the world's. Teach me to live and lead from abundance."

Two Economies

The World's System vs. God's System

DAY 4

Buy Low, Sell High — or Sow and Reap?

The world has a system. Buy low, sell high. Find a product or service, deliver it, protect your margin. Compete. Guard your edge.

It's not evil. But it's limited. And it's built on a foundation of scarcity.

The assumption that there isn't enough for everyone, so you better get yours first.

God operates on a completely different system.

The world says: get yours.

God says: sow yours.

"Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap." —Galatians 6:7

You reap what you sow. You reap more than you sow. You reap later than you sow. But you always reap.

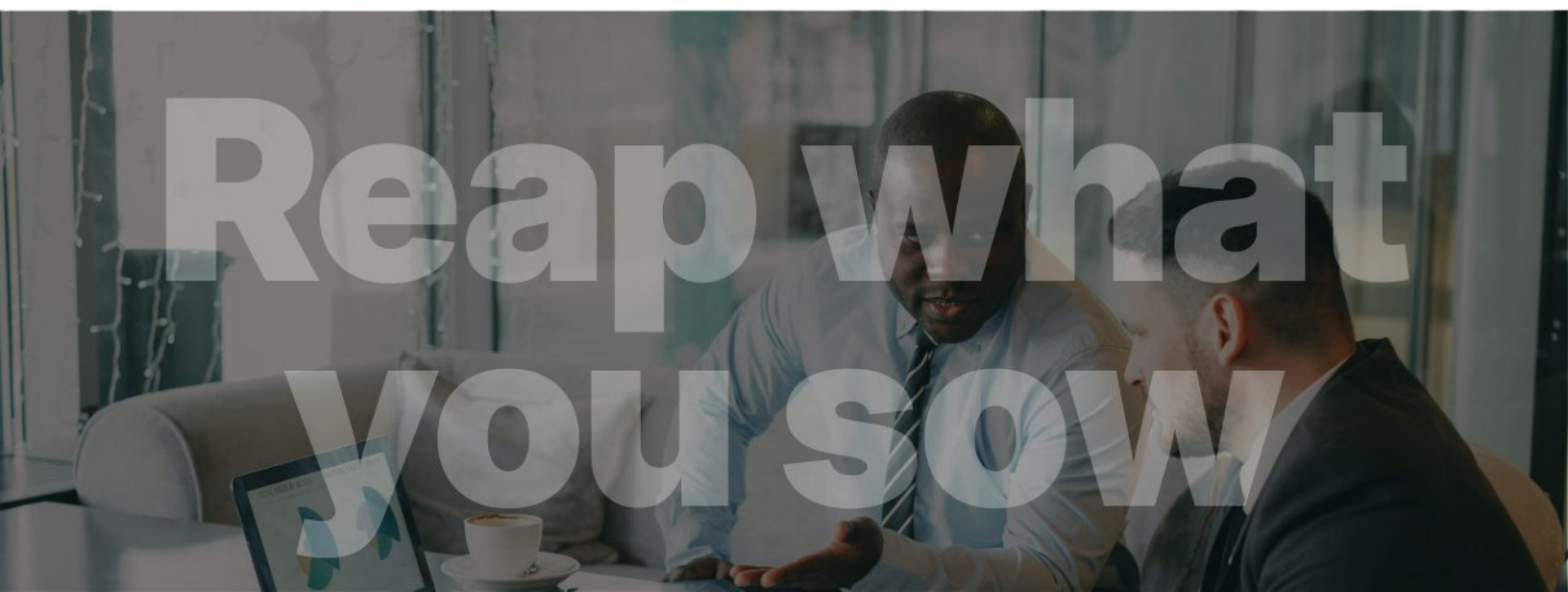
This means generosity is not just a spiritual discipline.

It is a financial strategy in God's economy.

The man who holds tightly finds it shrinks. The man who opens his hands finds God filling them.

"Work, so that you have something to sow." —Ephesians 4:28

The goal of your work isn't just personal comfort. It's sowing capacity. The incredible provider works not just to earn but to give.



The world says:
"Get yours."

God says:
"Sow yours."

***"For we live by faith, not by sight."
2 Corinthians 5:7***

We Live by Faith, Not by Sight

THIS IS NOT A PASSIVE VERSE. It is a description of how an incredible man makes financial decisions.

The man who lives by sight makes decisions based on

**what the bank account shows,
what the market is doing,
what fear is telling him.**

The man who lives by faith makes decisions based on

**what God's Word says,
what his calling demands,
what the Spirit is leading him toward.**

This doesn't mean you ignore reality.

It means you don't let reality have the final word.

When circumstances say "don't give"
the man of faith gives.

When circumstances say "don't risk"
the man of faith obeys the call.

*When circumstances say
"it's not possible"*
***the man of faith remembers
who owns the resources.***

Whether you make a lot or a little, you should not — and do not have to — live in fear.



Live by Faith
Not by Sight

Reflection & Response

Today is about examining which economy is actually running your life.

1. Are you making decisions based on what the bank account says or what God's Word says?

Think about a financial decision you're facing right now. Which voice is louder — fear or faith?

2. Where are you operating from the world's system instead of God's?

Hoarding? Refusing to give until it 'makes sense'? Letting scarcity drive your leadership at home?

3. What would one act of faith-based generosity look like this week?

Not when you have more. Now. What would it look like to sow something this week and trust the harvest?

Action Step

Identify one area where you've been operating from the world's economy.

Write down one faith-based step you will take this week — a giving decision, a trust decision, a surrender decision.

"God, I choose Your economy. Teach me to sow in faith, trust the harvest, and make decisions based on Your Word — not my fear."

Purpose Before Provision

The Fish Doesn't Struggle to Swim

DAY 5

Most Successful People Are Living Out of Their Purpose

A fish doesn't struggle to swim. An apple tree doesn't strain to produce apples. An eagle doesn't take a course on flying.

They produce according to their design. And when something operates according to its design, it doesn't just function — it thrives. It becomes highly efficient, naturally effective, and genuinely fruitful.

You are no different.

God did not design you to force a career, manufacture outcomes, or grind against the grain of who you actually are.

He designed you with specific gifts, passions, abilities, and purpose — and when you walk in that design, provision tends to follow with far less friction.

The problem is that most men try to find their purpose in what they do. They build the career first and then search for meaning inside it. And when meaning doesn't come — when the success arrives but the satisfaction doesn't — they go numb.

**YOUR PURPOSE IS NOT WHAT YOU DO.
IT IS WHO GOD MADE YOU TO BE.**

*"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."
—Ephesians 2:10*



**Your purpose is
not what you do.**

A fish doesn't struggle to swim.

An apple tree doesn't strain to bear fruit.

They produce according to their design.

So do you — when you discover it.

"Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you. Before you were born I set you apart."

Jeremiah 1:5

My Story:

From the Hustle to the Calling

I grew up pretty poor in Houston, Texas. From an early age I figured out one thing: hard work could make me money.

I was seven, eight years old, knocking on neighbors' doors — pulling brush to the curb for fifty cents, hauling trash, washing cars, mowing yards. One summer I saved twelve hundred dollars and bought a brand-new motorcycle off the showroom floor. I was the only kid in my neighborhood who had ever done that.

But underneath all of it: I was deeply ashamed of where I came from. Ashamed of the trailer park. Ashamed of what I drove, what I wore, what family I came from. I thought money would solve all that.

So I kept working. Kept grinding. Selling real estate at nineteen in Las Vegas. Opening businesses in my twenties. Always striving — always in fear.

Even when I had money, even when I could create income, I was always coming from a place of fear. It became a vicious cycle of lack — even inside success. I had income. But I didn't have peace.

It wasn't until my late forties that I truly understood — there is a God in heaven who genuinely cares for me. Who wants to provide for me. My heavenly Father.

Now I work hard at the things God placed inside me. Not from fear — from obedience, surrender, and faith. Now my hard work gives me life. Before, it just gave me a living.



Reflection & Response

This is one of the most important days in this guide. Don't rush it.

1. Are you working from fear or from purpose?

What is the primary fuel underneath your work right now — anxiety about providing, or calling from God?

2. Have you ever asked God what He made you for — and actually waited for an answer?

Not what career makes sense. Not what pays well. What did He put inside you before the world told you what to do?

3. What would it look like to build your work around your God-given purpose — starting now?

Not someday. Not when finances are stable. What is one step toward the lane God designed for you?

Action Step

Write down your answer to this question: "If money were not a factor, and I could do anything God called me to — what would it be?"

Pray over it. That answer is a clue.

"God, I want to work from who You made me to be, not from fear of what I might lose. Show me my lane. I will run it."

From the Sweat of Your Brow

to the Spirit Inside You

DAY 6

Jesus Broke the Curse of Grind

"By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground." - Genesis 3:19

Sweat of your brow.

That phrase describes a way of living — striving, grinding, forcing, exhausting yourself just to produce enough.

For most of my life, I was living that verse without knowing it had a name. From the kid mowing yards in Houston through decades of businesses — so much of my work was driven by fear. Fear of going back. Fear that the bottom was always about to fall out.

That is the curse of the sweat of the brow. And it is more common among successful, hard-working men than anyone wants to admit.

But here is what most men don't know: Jesus came to break that curse.

At the cross, when the crown of thorns was pressed into Jesus' head — thorns, the very symbol of the cursed ground from Genesis 3 — He was literally absorbing and reversing the curse of painful toil.

He bled where the curse lived.

"Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us." — Galatians 3:13

Hard work — yes. But there is a difference between working hard in Christ, empowered by His Spirit — and working hard under the curse, grinding against the grain of your design.



**Jesus Broke the
Curse of Grind**

Jesus broke the curse of grind.

The thorns on His head
were the thorns of the cursed ground.

He bled where the curse lived.

**"It is the blessing of the Lord that makes
rich, and he adds no sorrow to it."**

—Proverbs 10:22

God Has Given You Everything You Need to Create Wealth

But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth." - Deuteronomy 8:18

This is not a verse about luck. It is a verse about design. God deposited inside you specific gifts, intelligence, creativity, and drive — and they are your means of creating abundance.

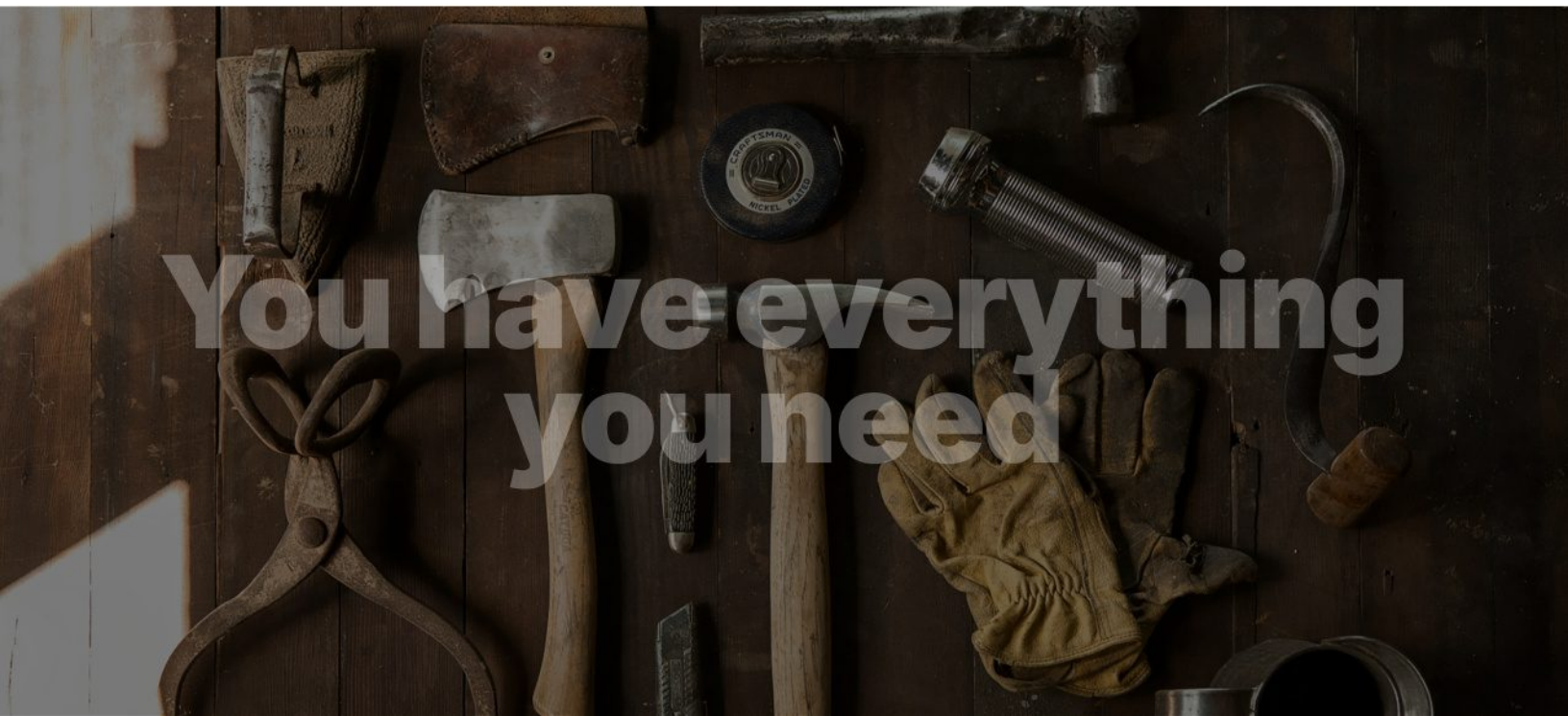
His Spirit inside you is not just for Sunday morning. It is the source of wisdom for your business decisions. The creativity for your solutions. The discernment for your investments.

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us." - Ephesians 3:20

That power is at work within you. Not around you. Not available someday. In you. Now.

The incredible provider doesn't just earn a living. He taps into the unlimited creative potential of the God who made him — and uses it to build something that outlasts him.

**"He who did not spare his own Son — how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?"
- Romans 8:32**



**You have everything
you need**

Reflection & Response

Today is about receiving — not earning.
God has already deposited everything you need inside you.

1. Are you working from the Spirit or from the curse?

Is your work giving you life or draining it? That's a clue about which one is running you right now.

2. What gifts, abilities, or passions has God placed inside you that you haven't fully deployed?

What comes naturally to you that others find difficult? Where do you produce without straining?

3. What would it look like to invite the Holy Spirit into your work this week — not just your prayer time?

A specific decision, a creative problem, a conversation you've been avoiding. Ask God into it.

Action Step

Write down three gifts or abilities God has placed inside you.

Pray over them and declare: "God, I will steward what You've given me — and trust You with the results."

"God, Your Spirit is inside me. You've given me everything I need to create, build, and provide. I work with You — not alone."

The Incredible Provider & Protector

Putting It All Into Action

DAY 7

Provider vs. Bill Payer - The Difference That Changes Everything

Imagine two men.

Both earn the same salary.
Both pay their bills on time.

One is a bill payer. He sees his role as financial. His family is fed. The lights are on. But they're hungry for something money can't buy.

The other is a provider. He provides financially, emotionally, and spiritually, through his presence. His family knows not just that the bills are paid, but that they are covered.

One is transactional. The other is transformational.

Showing up to your kid's game. Putting your phone down at dinner. Asking your wife how she's really doing. Praying over your home before everyone wakes up.

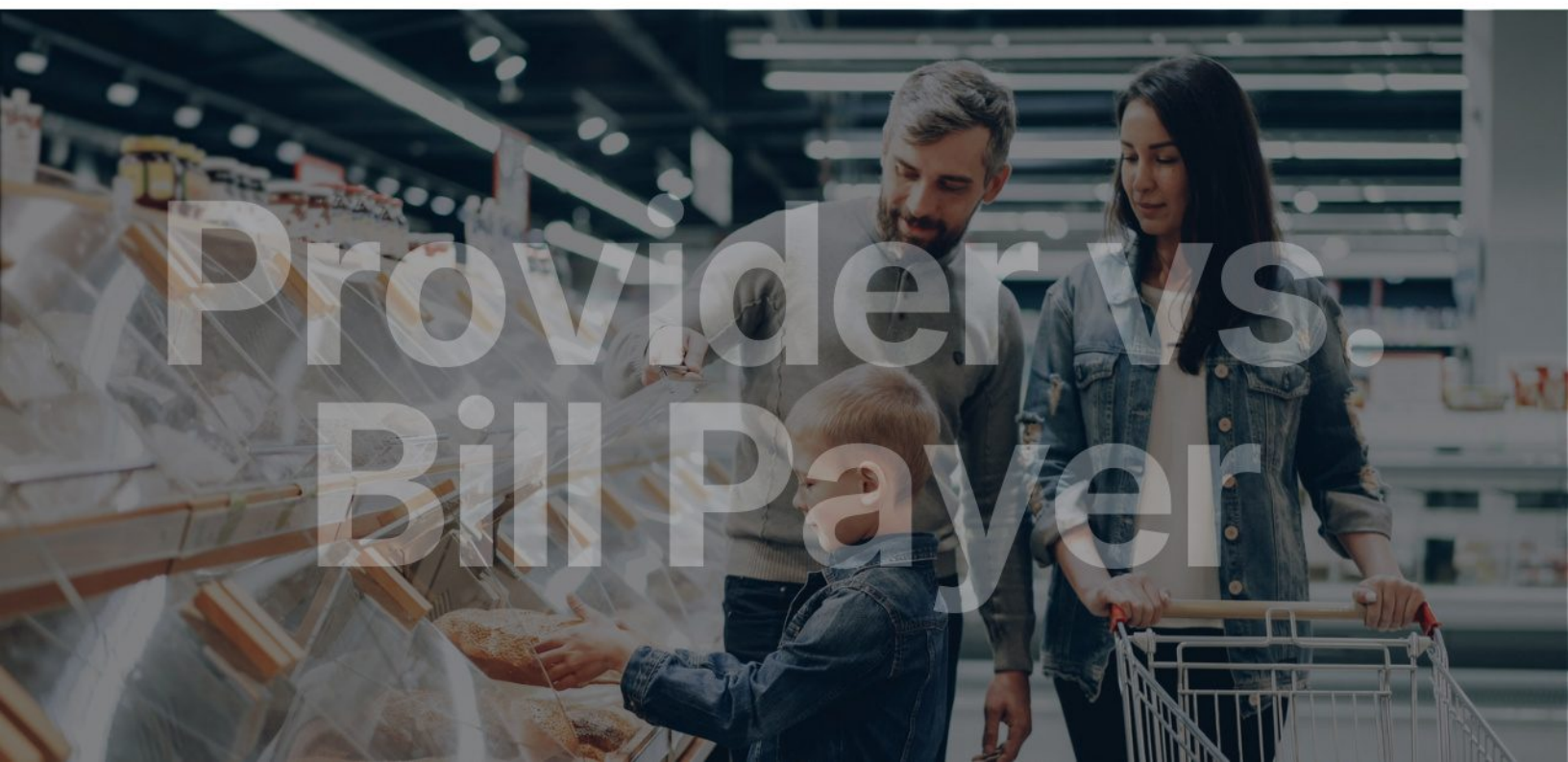
THESE ARE ACTS OF PROVISION.

They cost nothing financially.
They cost everything personally.

And they are some of the most powerful investments you will ever make.

"Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much."

- Luke 16:10



WHEN PROVIDERS LEAD FROM FEAR

they make financial decisions out of panic
instead of prayer.

They hoard instead of give.

They control instead of trust.

They confuse provision with performance.

**A man provided for by God doesn't
scramble.**

He stewards.

Protection — The Forgotten Calling

"I looked for someone among them who would build up the wall and stand before me in the gap on behalf of the land — but I found no one." — Ezekiel 22:30

He was looking for a man willing to stand.

He found no one.

Provision and protection always walk together in Scripture. The man who provides also stands guard — not just financially, but spiritually and emotionally.

Spiritual Protection: Pray over your home. Guard what enters through screens, relationships, and influence.

Emotional Protection: Create a home where it is safe to feel, safe to fail, safe to grow. Be steady — not perfect, but predictable in love.

Physical Protection: Show up. Be present. Be the kind of man that when your family is afraid, they feel safer simply because you're there.

"Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love."

- 1 Corinthians 16:13-14



Protection

Reflection & Response

This is the final day. Don't just reflect — decide.
What kind of man will you be from here?

1. Are you a bill payer or a provider and which does your family experience?

Don't answer what you intend to be. Answer what they actually experience. That's the real answer.

2. Where does your family need you to stand in the gap right now?

Spiritually, emotionally, physically — where are you needed most, and what's kept you from fully showing up?

3. What is one concrete change you will make this week as an incredible provider and protector?

Not someday. This week. Name it specifically.

Action Step

Write down your commitment as an Incredible Provider & Protector. Make it specific — one financial step, one act of protection, one way you will show up differently for your family starting today.

"As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. I will provide and protect — by the Spirit of God inside me, not by my own strength."

The Man Your Family Will Remember

Your family will not remember your salary. They will remember your presence.

They will not remember the car you drove. They will remember whether you showed up. They will not remember the house you bought. They will remember whether they felt safe inside it.

God's design was never for you to grind out a living in fear and scarcity. It was for you to walk with Him as a steward of His abundance — providing not just financially, but spiritually, emotionally, and through your presence.

**"As for me and my house,
we will serve the Lord."**

Joshua 24:15

You are that man.

Not perfect. But present.

Not fearless. But faithful.

Not wealthy by the world's standard. But rich in the One who owns all things.

Rise up, Incredible Man. Your family is waiting.

Final Prayer

Father God,

Thank You for being Jehovah Jireh — the God who provides before I even know I have a need. Thank You for creating a world of abundance before You made me.

Thank You for putting Your Spirit inside me as the source of every creative gift, every idea, every ability I have to provide for those I love.

Forgive me for the times I've carried this in my own strength. For the fear that has driven my decisions. For believing the world's economy more than Yours.

Teach me to live and lead from abundance, not scarcity.

Help me discover and walk fully in the purpose You designed me for — so that I stop forcing and start flowing in what You built me to do. Make me a man whose family feels covered — financially, spiritually, emotionally, and through my presence.

Not for my glory. For my family's good and Your name's sake.

Amen.



Stay Connected

If you've made it this far—well done.
You've taken a step that most men never do. You've invested in your soul.
You've chosen growth over comfort, and that's what makes you incredible.

I'm proud of you.

Remember—being an Incredible Man isn't about perfection. It's about showing up, leading with integrity, and pursuing the man God created you to be. The road is long, but you don't have to walk it alone.

You can stay connected with me and the movement at **IncredibleMan.org** — where men like you are growing stronger in faith, leadership, health, and purpose. Join our community, get coaching, receive weekly encouragement, and keep building a life that's rooted in God and driven by purpose.

I'm honored to walk this journey with you.

With you in the fight,

Pastor Dustin Sample
Founder Incredible Man