

MORE THAN RESTORATION

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DIVINE COMPENSATION is God paying you back with interest for the trouble, the tears, and the brutal cost of surviving the season you came through.

JOEL 2:25 NASB - *“Then I will compensate you for the years That the swarming locust has eaten, The creeping locust, the stripping locust, and the gnawing locust— My great army which I sent among you.”*

MARK 10:29-30 NLT - *“I assure you that everyone who has given up house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or property, for my sake and for the Good News, will receive now in return a hundred times as many houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children, and property—along with persecution. And in the world to come that person will have eternal life.”*

JOB 42:10,12 KJ21 - *“And the Lord released Job from captivity when he prayed for his friends. Also the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before...So the Lord blessed the latter end of Job (the second half of his life) more than his beginning...”*

***Only God can turn deep loss into abundant gain.
His compensation exceeds our devastation!***

THREE KEYS TO DIVINE COMPENSATION

1. Job humbled himself before God (Job 42:1–6).

1 PETER 5:6 NIV - *“God opposes the proud but shows FAVOR to the humble. Humble yourselves, therefore, under God’s mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.”*

God fills empty hands, not clenched fists.

2. Job prayed for those who had wounded him (Job 42:10).

MATTHEW 5:11-12, 43-45 TLB - *“When you are reviled and persecuted and lied about because you are my followers—wonderful! Be happy about it! Be very glad! for a tremendous reward awaits you up in heaven...There is a saying, ‘Love your friends and hate your enemies.’ But I say: Love your enemies! Pray for those who persecute you! In that way you will be acting as true sons of your Father in heaven.*

***Stop looking back—you’re not headed that way!
Look ahead and declare, “God will compensate me!”***

3. Job trusted God without having all the answers.

PHILIPPIANS 1:6 NLT - *“And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.”*

When you lack the answers, simply trust that God will complete the work of grace He began in you. Rest in His ability to finish what He starts.

JAMES 5:11 TLB - *“Job is an example of a man who continued to trust the Lord in sorrow; from his experiences we can see how the Lord’s plan finally ended in good, for he is full of tenderness and mercy.”*