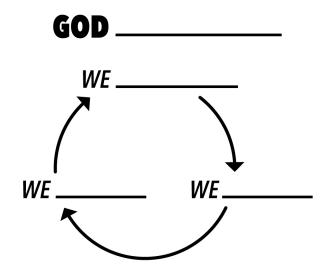


POSITIVE

8.2.20 - Part 6: Ending the Scarcity Cycle

SCARCITY MINDSET: THERE IS	

"... You eat, but do not have enough; you drink, but you are not filled with drink; you clothe yourselves, but no one is warm; and he who earns wages, earns wages to put into a bag with holes." Haggai 1:6 NKJV



MINDSET: THERE IS MORE THAN ENOUGH

Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us ... **Ephesians 3:20 NASB**

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly." John 10:10 NASB

HOW DO WE INOCULATE OURSELVES AGAINST THE SCARCITY MINDSET?

A certain woman, the widow of one of the guild prophets, cried out to Elisha: "My husband, your servant, is dead. You know that he revered the Lord, yet now his creditor has come to take my two children into servitude." ²Elisha answered her, "What am I to do for you? Tell me what you have in the house." She replied, "This servant of yours has nothing in the house but a jug of oil." **2** Kings **4:1-2** NABRE

THREE PRINCIPLES OF PROVISION

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can. ⁴ Then come back a all the vessels, and as ed	vessels from all your neighbors—as many empty vessels as you d close the door on yourself and your children; pour the oil into th is filled, set it aside." ⁵ So she went out. She closed the door on nd, as they handed her the vessels, she would pour in oil.
in this," says the Lord Al	o the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me nighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."
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When all the vessels were filled, she said to her son, "Bring me another vessel." He answered, "There is none left." And then the oil stopped. ⁷She went and told the man of God, who said, "Go sell the oil to pay off your creditor; with what remains, you and your children can live." 2 Kings 4:6-7 NABRE

I'VE GOT THE FAITH TO	
BECAUSE I BELONG TO THE GOD OF "	,,,

And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. ... ¹¹You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. **2 Corinthians 9:8, 11 NIV**

GOING DEEPER QUESTIONS

- How do you see that mindset affecting your life?
- How have you seen God work through someone's irrational generosity?
- How can you fight against the scarcity mindset?
- Start one of the *Positive* Bible Plans with friends: www.go2.lc/staypositive