IT WORKS IF YOU WORK IT!

Let Me Tell You Why!

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Dear Reader,

This free booklet is an excerpt from the Introduction to The Rev. Dr. Johnnie Colemon’s book, *It Works If You Work It*, available on Amazon as an e-book [here](#) or in soft cover at the Universal Foundation for Better Living Store [here](#).

Dr. Colemon’s introductory remarks explain:

1. Why she chose New Thought Christianity although she was acquainted with a more traditional spiritual path;
2. Why she finds the Bible relevant and helpful;
3. Why she follows the teachings of Jesus; and
4. Why it’s up to you to understand who and what you are as a prosperous child of God.

Enjoy!

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INTRODUCTION

Sometimes I’m asked the question, “What is it that you like most about this ministry, Johnnie Colemon?” Sometimes I stop and ask myself this question. There is something particular about this ministry that makes it extremely wonderful to me. It is a teaching ministry. I like it because it teaches you what to do. We teach you how to live a better life.

I share with you what I believe, and what I have discovered that will work in your life, and in my life, and in the lives of people everywhere. Some of this might be a new thought to you, and that’s what we are called—a New Thought ministry, because this is a new age. If what you have been using all these years has not worked for you, then it is time for a new thought. That’s why I changed. I went into the New Thought movement because I’d been in “church” all my life. Now, don’t ask me how many years, because that doesn’t matter. The point is that I was brought up in church, and had been going since I was three years old. In my family, you go to church on Sunday, and that’s all there is to it. So I went to church, and I always walked out the same way I was when I went in there. They used great, big, beautiful words, and they sounded wonderful, but I never really knew what they were talking about.

I went to the New Thought movement because, with this teaching, I make demonstrations in my life, in my body, in my world, in my affairs. Anything that can change things for the better in my life—I don’t care if it is called the Tin Tub society—I will go with it! If you don’t want to use it, then that is your choice, and that’s okay. But if you do…take as much of it as you can.
You don’t have to take my word for what I am teaching because I am getting it out of the Bible. I think God wrote the Bible as a pattern for us. It gives us direction and the instructions on how to unfold. And if it was good enough for those rich guys in the Old Testament, and if it was good enough for the Man from Nazareth, then I’m going to follow it, too. I’m going to keep right on reading that Old Testament and that New Testament until I can get an understanding. That’s all we need—an understanding of how to use the Bible.

Where does Jesus fit in? Jesus Christ is our Wayshower. I say “is” and not “was.” Jesus is still your Wayshower. Jesus is the name of the man; Christ is the title. Christ is the principle. Jesus is the Christ; and Jesus, as your Elder Brother, said, “I am here to show you that it can be done.” Jesus became the Christ. You can become the Christ if you can get into the Christ consciousness. God placed in me, and in you, the same thing He placed in Jesus, and that’s what I’m working with. The Christ is the I AM that is within every man, woman, and child. Jesus multiplied the loaves and fish, but He said that even greater works you would be able to do when you step out and do them in His name.

When our phases of mind within us understand who and what we are and why we were born, and really hear what Jesus is saying, we will no longer experience lack or limitation in any way on this earth. I’m excited about it! I’m excited because I’ve discovered that these principles work, and I’m excited to be able to share them with you because I love you so much. If you could get turned on with the idea of abundant, prosperous living, you could then give it to everyone you contact. One person with the consciousness of abundance can
raise the consciousness of a thousand others. All you have to do is BE it. Get the teaching for yourself, then go out and live it. If you let God be what He really is THROUGH you, He will change your life. You will become what you are supposed to be—a messenger for prosperity in every way. Do you understand? All you have to do is get it for yourself, then go out and live it. It’s up to you to practice these principles. It’s up to you to speak the word. It’s up to you to know for the whole world that things CAN change. You don’t have to go out and try to convert anybody; you don’t have to go out and try to share what you’ve read. Just go out a changed person, and when your friends see that it was great enough to change even you, they will come and ASK you what caused the change.

The change is already beginning in you and from this moment on, you will take it wherever you go. Wherever you go, people will see that there is something different about you because they are beginning to feel the Love of God that is within your heart. You will be blessed with rich ideas and rich results, from expected and unexpected ways.

*Where does prosperity begin? It begins with you.*

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