

Ending the Scarcity Cycle

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How do we inoculate ourselves against the scarcity mindset? How do we decide to live with the abundance mindset that reminds us God is more than enough? In this message, we find out how to stop the scarcity cycle using three principles of provision and how to stay positive through faith in God!

"... You eat, but never have enough. You drink, but never have your fill. You put on clothes, but are not warm. You earn wages, only to put them in a purse with holes in it." – Haggai 1:6

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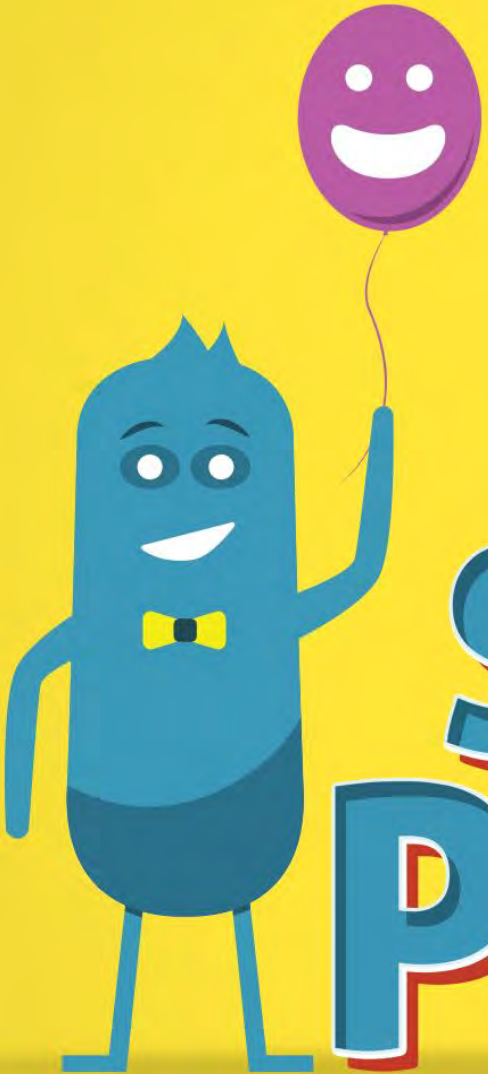
- I will starve my scarcity mindset and feed my abundance mindset.
- I will not diminish what I have, but instead offer it to the Lord.
- I will trust God to do something extravagant through what seems insignificant.
- I will "pour" because I belong to the God of "more."

Memory Verse: "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." - 2 Corinthians 9:8

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leaving the house in 2019: keys,
phone, purse, water

leaving the house in 2020: keys,
phone, purse, water, face mask, hand
sanitiser, latex gloves, holy water,
wooden stake, full medieval body
armour

**Moms of the future to
our daughters:
Pick yourself a man you
can quarantine with.**

SOMETIMES I WONDER IF ALL OF
THIS HAPPENED BECAUSE I
DIDN'T FORWARD THAT EMAIL
TO 10 PEOPLE.

**I had no idea that
when we changed our clocks**



**We'd be going from Standard Time
to the Twilight Zone**

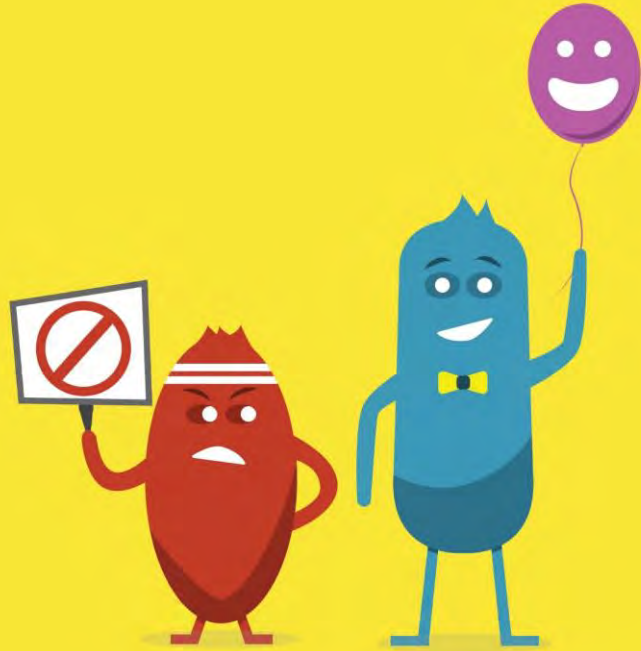


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My conspiracy theory is that time travel IS real & someone keeps trying to fix 2020 by changing something but every time they do, they unwittingly make it worse.

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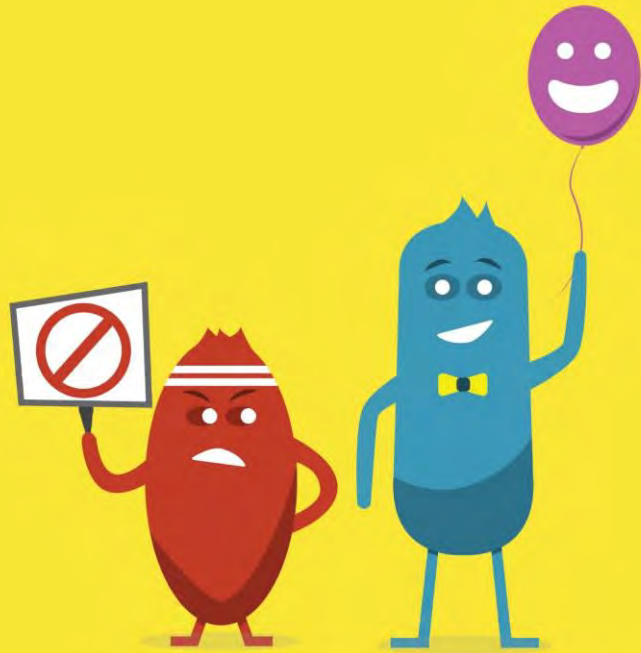
The **Paradox**
of 2020 ...

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**Abundance
vs.
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Scarcity Mindset:

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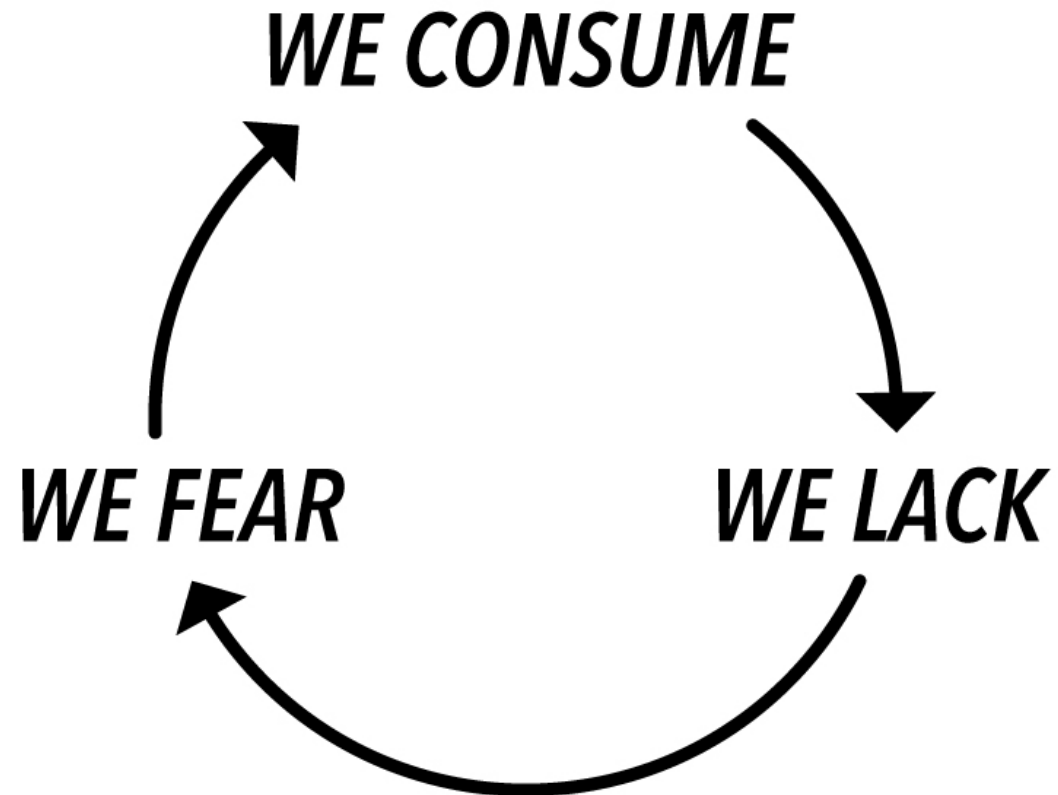


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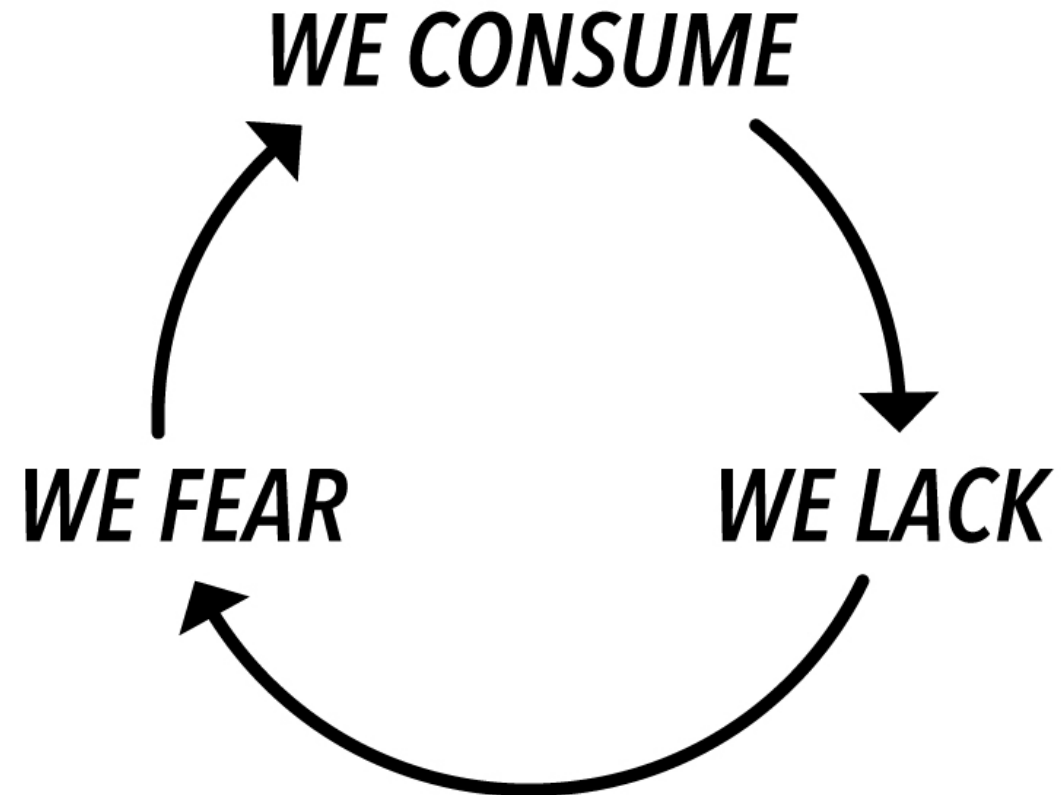


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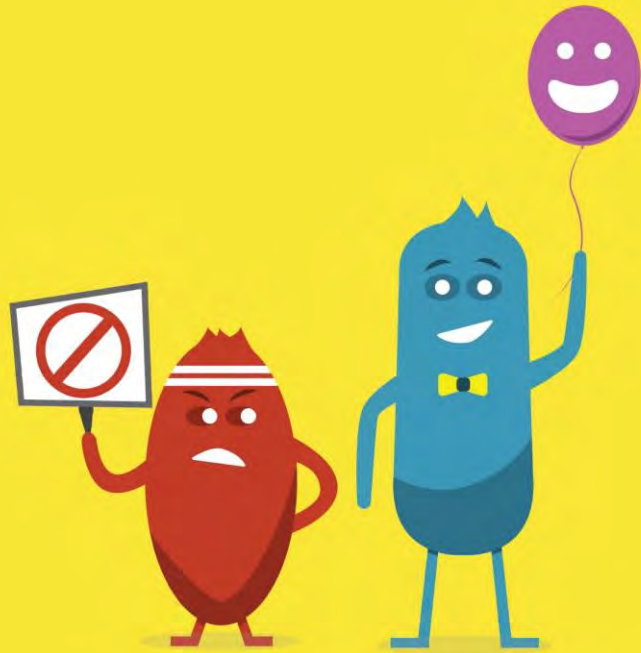




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Abundance Mindset:

**There is More than
Enough**

Ephesians 3:20

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.



John 10:10 ESV

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it **abundantly**.



2 Kings 4:1-2

The wife of a man from the company of the prophets cried out to Elisha, “Your servant my husband is dead, and you know that he **revered the Lord**. But now his creditor is coming to take my two boys as his slaves.”

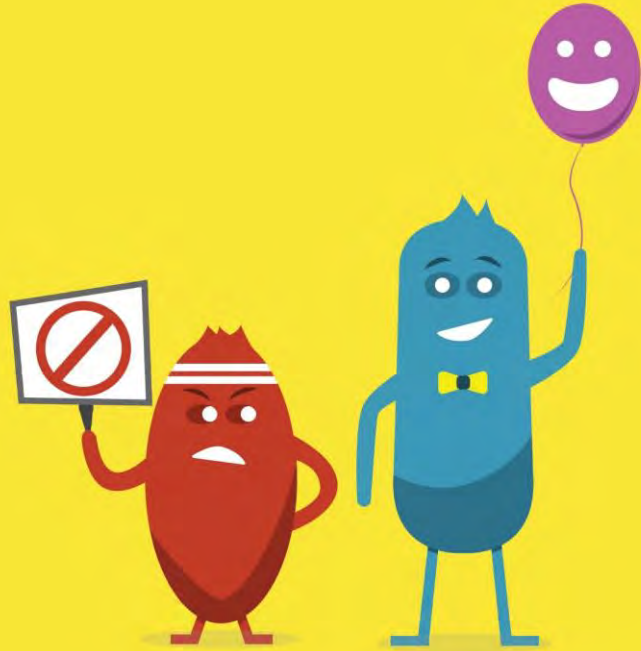


2 Kings 4:1-2

Elisha replied to her, “How can I help you? Tell me, **what do you have** in your house?” “Your servant has **nothing** there at all,” she said, “**except** a small jar of olive oil.”



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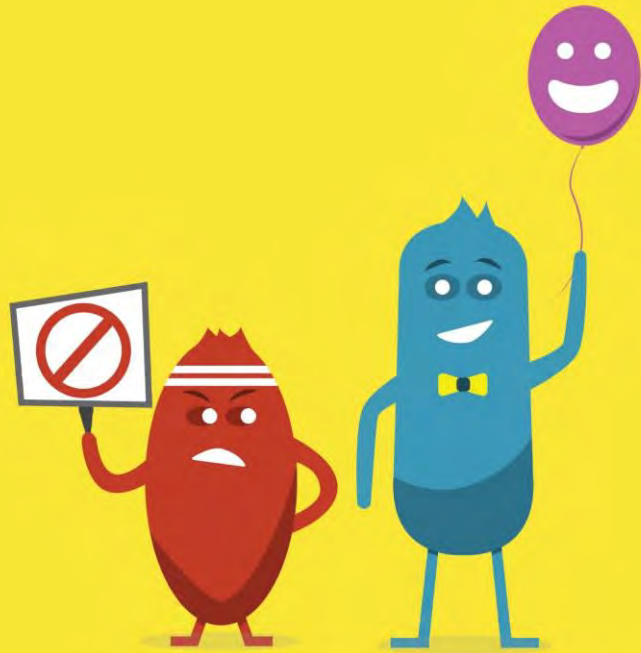
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Three Principles of God's Provision

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Abundance asks the question,
“what do I **have**?” Scarcity asks,
“what do I **lack**?”

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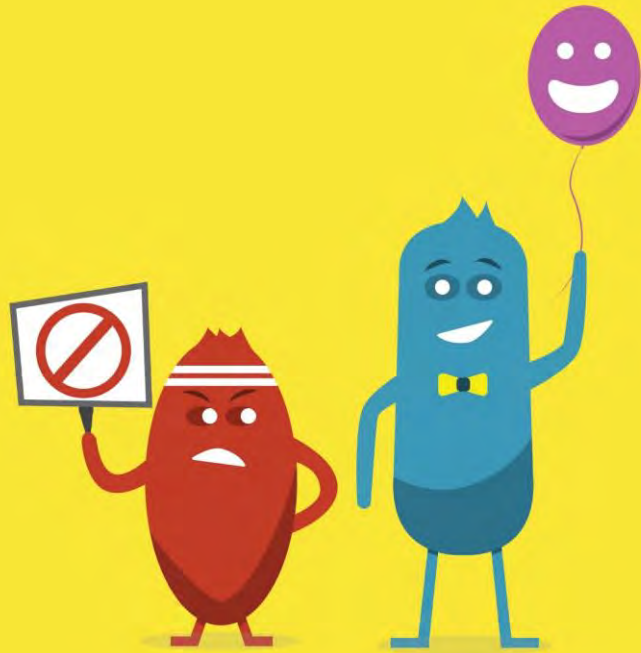
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2 Kings 4:3-5

Elisha said, “Go around and ask all your neighbors for empty jars. Don’t ask for just a few. Then go inside and shut the door behind you and your sons. Pour oil into all the jars, and as each is filled, put it to one side.” She left him and shut the door behind her and her sons. They brought the jars to her and she **kept pouring**.



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God uses the **small** to
work the **magnificent**.

Malachi 3:10

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3. God's abundance often follows your faith.

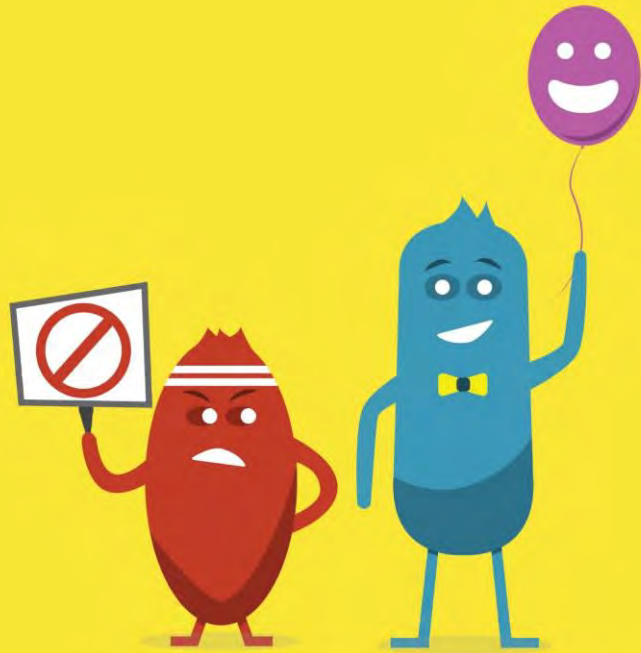
2 Kings 4:6-7

When all the jars were full, she said to her son, “Bring me another one.” But he replied, “There is not a jar left.” Then the oil stopped flowing.

She went and told the man of God, and he said, “Go, sell the oil and pay your debts. You and your sons can live on what is left.”



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God waits until you have
the **faith to pour** before
He gives you **more.**

2 Corinthians 9:8, 11 NIV

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. ... You 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.



