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Receiving Provisions has keys, the most important are five:

The First: Being continuous upon the five daily prayers.

This is from the secrets of where paying Zakat is repeatedly connected to establishing the prayer.

This is - and Allaah knows best - an indication that whoever established the prayer then their provision will increase and they will possess wealth more than they need, so much so that paying Zakat becomes obligatory upon them. This is why the saying of Allaah is repeated [in the Qur'aan]:

(اقِيمُوا الصَّلَاةَ وَآتُوا الزَّكَاةَ).

«establish the prayer and pay the Zakat»

The Second: Seeking Forgiveness

Allaah Subhanahu says:

{وَيَا قَوْمِ اسْتَغْفِرُوا رَبَّكُمْ ثُمَّ تُوبُوا إِلَيْهِ يُرْسِلِ السَّمَاءَ عَلَيْكُمْ مِدْرَاراً وَيَزِدْكُمْ قُوَّةً إِلَى قُوَّتِكُمْ وَلَا تَتَوَلَّوْا مُجْرِمِينَ }

«And O my people! Ask forgiveness of your Lord and then repent to Him, He will send you (from the sky) abundant rain, and add strength to your strength, so do not turn away as Mujrimun (criminals, disbelievers in the Oneness of Allaah).» [Hud:52]

And Allaah Subhanahu says:

فَقُلْتُ اسْتَغْفِرُوا رَبَّكُمْ إِنَّهُ كَانَ غَفَّارًا {10} يُرْسِلِ السَّمَاءَ عَلَيْكُمْ مِدْرَارًا {11} وَيُمْدِدْكُمْ بِأَمْوَالٍ وَبَنِينَ [وَيَجْعَلْ لَكُمْ جَنَاتٍ وَيَجْعَلْ لَكُمْ أَنْهَارًا] {12} مَا لَكُمْ لَا تَرْجُونَ لِلَّهِ وَقَارًا

«"I said (to them): 'Ask forgiveness from your Lord; Verily, He is Oft-Forgiving; 'He will send rain to you in abundance; 'And give you increase in wealth and children, and bestow on you gardens and bestow on you rivers." What is the matter with you, [that you fear not Allaah (His punishment), and] you hope not for reward (from Allaah or you believe not in His Oneness).» [Nuh:10-13]

The Third: keeping good relations with relatives

The most important and at the forefront is being good to parents.

From Anas bin Malik -Radhi Allaahu anhu- who said I heard the Messenger of Allaah -sallAllaahu alayhi wa Salam- saying:

((مَنْ سَرَّهُ أَنْ يُبْسَطَ لَهُ فِي رِزْقِهِ أَوْ يُنْسَأَ لَهُ فِي أَثَرِهِ فَلْيَصِلْ رَحِمَهُ))

‘Whoever is pleased that his provision is increased or that his life is lengthened then he should keep good relations with his relatives’.

[Collected by Bukhari]

The Fourth: Taqqwa of Allaah

Allaah Ta'ala said :

(وَمَنْ يَتَّقِ اللَّهَ يَجْعَلْ لَهُ مَخْرَجًا} وَيَرْزُقْهُ مِنْ حَيْثُ لَا يَحْتَسِبُ وَمَنْ يَتَوَكَّلْ عَلَى اللَّهِ فَهُوَ
حَسْبُهُ إِنَّ اللَّهَ بَالِغُ أَمْرِهِ قَدْ جَعَلَ اللَّهُ لِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدْرًا)

«And whosoever fears Allaah and keeps his duty to Him, He will make a way for him to get out (from every difficulty). And He will provide him from (sources) he never could imagine. And whosoever puts his trust in Allaah, then He will suffice him. Verily, Allaah will accomplish his purpose. Indeed Allaah has set a measure for all things.» [Talaq: 2-3]

The Fifth: Performing Hajj & Umrah a lot.

From Abdullaah -Radhi Allaahu anhu- who said that the Messenger of Allaah -sallAllaahu alayhi wa Salam - said:

«تَابِعُوا بَيْنَ الْحَجِّ وَالْعُمْرَةِ؛ فَإِنَّهُمَا يَنْفِيَانِ الْفَقْرَ وَالذُّنُوبَ كَمَا يَنْفِي الْكَبِيرُ خَبَثَ الْحَدِيدِ مِنَ
الذَّهَبِ وَالْفِضَّةِ، وَلَيْسَ لِلْحَجَّةِ الْمَبْرُورَةِ ثَوَابٌ دُونَ الْجَنَّةِ»

‘Follow up between Hajj and Umrah since they wipe out poverty and sins, just as the furnace separates the iron slag from gold and silver. There is no reward for a Hajj done correctly except Paradise.’

[Collected by Tirmidhi, Nisa'ee & authenticated by Albaani in Saheeh Sunnan Tirmidhi]

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