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The BLESSING Brings ABUNDANCE

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God wants HIS kids to enjoy His blessing!

It has been long enough. Get behind the wall of BLESSING. Live behind the wall of BLESSING!

Galatians 3:13,14

13 **Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law**, being made a curse for us: for it is written,
Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

14 **That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ;** that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

BELOVED: Jesus didn't go to the cross so that we could live under the curse.

One of the main reasons we don't ENJOY the BLESSING is because we are NOT humbling ourselves to God's system.

We LOVE our system too much to yield to God's system.

Abundant Blessings

1 Peter 5:6 – "**Humble yourselves** therefore under the mighty hand of God, that **he may exalt you in due time:**"

"Exalt" – hupsoo - to raise to the very summit of opulence and prosperity, dignity, honor and happiness.

SOUNDS like the BLESSING to me!

Proverbs 10:22 – "The blessing of the LORD, **it maketh rich**, and he addeth no sorrow with it."

Psalms 103:1-5

1 Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, and **forget not all his benefits:**

3 Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

4 Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;

5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

2 Peter 1:3 (AMP) – "For His divine power **has bestowed upon us all things that [are requisite and suited] to life and godliness**, through the [full, personal] knowledge of Him Who called us by and to His own glory and excellence (virtue)."

Deuteronomy 28:2 – “And **all these blessings shall come on thee**, and **overtake thee**, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.”

(MSG) – “**All these blessings will come down on you and spread out beyond you** because you have responded to the Voice of GOD, your God:

“**Overtake you**” – take over your life, overwhelm you, engulf you, pile up on you, cover you over and load you up with an excessive amount; avalanche, heap, swamp, overflow, flood.

Psalms 84:11 – “For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: **no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.**”

I don't know about you...but I don't think I need a lot of theological insight to try and figure out what is suppose to come to us if we live under the BLESSING of God.

Malachi 3:10 – “Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if **I will not open you the windows of heaven**, and **pour you out a blessing**, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.”

NOTE: This is NOT just a sprinkle...it is a deluge! Genesis 7:11 (describing the flood that flooded the earth).

BELOVED: God's desire is to RAISE us to the very summit of opulence, prosperity, dignity, honor and happiness.

So much so, that the nations will envy us!

(PERHAPS: Discuss Job...everyone wanted to be Job.)

HOWEVER: Just because that BLESSING is available...doesn't mean you will receive.

AGAIN: Too many love their own system more than God's system...and that will never work.

It takes Humility

REMEMBER: To be RAISE to the very summit of opulence, prosperity, dignity, honor and happiness... you must HUMBLE yourself.

“**Humility**” – to take a lower rank, submit yourself

AGAIN: Matthew 8 – Speak the Word only.

When the Word is spoken...we go, we come, we do!

When God speaks and we don't go, come or do...we are not humbling ourselves. We are not seeing Him at a higher rank...we are seeing OURSELVES at the HIGHEST rank.

Deuteronomy 28:1,2 – Hearken unto the voice...

Matthew 13:16 – “But blessed are your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear.”

“**Hear**” – listen, understand, learn

John 10 – Our Shepherd

3 To him the porter openeth; and **the sheep hear his voice**: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out.

4 And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the **sheep follow him: for they know his voice.**

10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am **come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.**

NOTE: Would you look at that...abundance!

27 **My sheep hear my voice**, and I know them, **and they follow me:**

ILLUSTRATION (show the video from youtube) – The sheep know the voice of the shepherd...and respond when he calls. Four different people called a group of sheep...they only responded to the shepherds voice, the others they didn't even entertain.

BELOVED: If we are HIS sheep...we will respond when He calls, directs, says go, come or do!

James 4 – To the church scattered...due to persecution.

6 But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, **God resisteth the proud**, but **giveth grace unto the humble**.

7 **Submit yourselves therefore to God**. Resist the devil, and **he will flee from you**.

NOTE: What is the LOGICAL counter to this verse...if you don't submit yourself to God...the devil will stay around. John 10:10 – steal, kill and destroy.

10 **Humble yourselves** in the sight of the Lord, and **he shall lift you up**.
“Lift you up” – hupsoo – yep, same as EXALT.

17 Therefore to him that **knoweth to do good**, and **doeth it not**, to him it is sin.

I will not say you won't go to heaven...but you will miss out of the BLESSING on the earth.

You've missed it!

This is what Deuteronomy 28:15 is all about...you've heard what you've been told to do, but you have not done it.

THEREFORE: You will live under the curse...things will NOT go in your favor.

Just Do What He Says...the Blessing Follows

Luke 5:2-9

2 And saw two ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and **were washing their nets**.

NOTE #1: They had just spend the MOST LOGICAL time of the day fishing (and caught nothing).

3 And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and **prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land**. And he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship.

NOTE #2: Jesus needed the boat, so He asked Simon to use his boat.

UNDERSTAND: When He says do...and you do...you will be exalted.

- * This got Him away from the press;
- * it allowed His voice to carry (on a calm sea);
- * it allowed many to see Him.

4 Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, **Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught**.

5 And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net.

NOTE #3: This didn't make sense. Leave the fishing to the pros, not to the carpenter!

QUESTION: Have you ever had that feeling? Yeah? Me too!

“Let down the net” – not quite what Jesus said, but close...they did go out.

BELOVED: Don't hold back...go all the way, so you receive all the blessings.

6 And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net brake.

7 And they beckoned unto their partners, which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink.

NOTE #4: When they humbled themselves (fishermen vs. carpenter), **EVERY FISH in the Sea of Galilee showed up!**

8 When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord.

9 **For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken:**

NOTE #5: The increase was SO GREAT that it amazed fishermen!

Conclusion

BELOVED: God's BLESSING is upon you...whether you enjoy it or not in 2025 is up to your OBEDEINCE and HUMILITY.

Are you willing to do it God's way? Are you willing to yield to God's system over your own?

The blessing will be attached to your obedience!

Isaiah 1:19,20

19 If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:

20 But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.

NEXT WEEK: We will go into an area of obedience...I think!