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We've been on a series on the BLESSING.

Since the beginning of the year, I have felt directed by God that too many of HIS KIDS, who should be expecting and living in HIS BLESSING, are expecting and living under the curse.

MOST OF THE REASON? Because they don't know any better.

They feel like...well, we live in EGYPT...so we've got get what Egypt gets.

UNDERSTAND: That was NOT the way it was for the children of Israel...and that is NOT the way it should be for the child of God.

Galatians 3:13,14,29

- 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.
- And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

QUESTION: What specific promise? **ANSWER:** The BLESSING promise!

LET ME ASK YOU another question: What did Joseph, Jacob, Isaac, etc. have to do to **HAVE the BLESSING** in their lives?

NOTE: Not necessarily walk in the BLESSING, but have the BLESSING?

- ~ Did they have to fight for it?
- ~ Did they have to scheme for it?
- ~ Did they have to gripe and complain for it?

THE ANSWER: They were just born! It was theirs because they were born!

AS A MATTER OF FACT: The more they fought...schemed...or complained, the more the BLESSING eluded them.

BELOVED: We need to quit praying, "God, please bless me!?" We are already BLESSED because we are born-again.

All we need to do to HAVE the BLESSING is to be born again.

When we start doing our own thing...disobeying...striving...complaining, we are moving ourselves away from LIVING in that BLESSING.

Fullness of the Blessing

NOW: One of the main reasons that we RESORT to scheming, fighting or disobeying is that we are not seeing the full-fledged BLESSING operating in our lives.

AS A MATTER OF FACT: We are seeing more battles, then we are seeing blessings.

Romans 15:29 – "And I am sure that, when I come unto you, I shall come in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ."

(Notice the connection to Galatians 3:29..."If ye be Christ's...")

NOTICE: There is a fullness of the BLESSING.

"Fullness" - complete or having reached the greatest level or highest degree.

The blessing without measure.

Going beyond any previous limits (family, social, etc.)

THINK ABOUT THIS: The BLESSING is on you...but it's effects are PROGRESSIVE.

~ Think about the growth of a baby (walking, talking, thinking, etc.)

JOSEPH: Had the BLESSING...had a dream...had stupid brothers.

QUESTION: Did he rise to the fullness of the BLESSING?

ANSWER: Yes!

JACOB: Had the BLESSING...had a stupid father-in-law.

QUESTION: Did he rise to the fullness of the BLESSING?

ANSWER: Yes! Exodus 33:9,11

And Esau said, I have enough (plenty), my brother; keep that thou hast unto thyself.

(Part of Jacob's answer) Take, I pray thee, my blessing that is brought to thee; because God hath dealt graciously with me, and because I have enough (all). And he urged him, and he took it.

THINK ABOUT IT: When you get born-again...your debt doesn't get born again. Your troubles around you don't get born again.

Mark 4 tells us that the enemy comes in IMMEDIATELY to steal it.

BELOVED: From the time you are born-again...you will continue to grow into the FULLNESS OF THE BLESSING.

You say, "Well, I don't know about that...if I received it at salvation, then it should be in full swing."

UNDERSTAND: Everything, in Christ, has new levels: Prosperity, Healing, Favor, Faith, etc.

No matter how much you have...there is more to have (another level).

No matter what level of the BLESSING that you have reached, there is more!

It is POSSIBLE to live in the fullness of the BLESSING!

It's Your Choice

Deuteronomy 30:19,20

- I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before **you life and death**, **blessing and cursing**: therefore **choose life**, that both thou and thy seed may live:
- That thou mayest love the LORD thy God, *and that thou mayest obey his voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto him*: for he is thy life, and the length of thy days: that thou mayest dwell in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.

REMEMBER: Abraham and his descendants HAD THE BLESSING, but it was their choice whether or not to ENJOY it or MISS it!

- Genesis 12 Abraham had the BLESSING, but had to leave his father's house and go to a land God would show him.
- Genesis 12 Abraham had the BLESSING, but decided to pimp out his wife (which was not the best).
- Genesis 12 Abraham had the BLESSING, but brought his nephew Lot with him (which caused strife).

The pattern went on and on, until...

Romans 4:19-22

- And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sara's womb:
- He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God:
- And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.
- 22 And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness.

THINK ABOUT IT: He enjoyed blessings (Genesis 13:1,2) but there was a lot of problems...frustrations... because he kept trying to strive or help God out.

When he quit trying to help God and just obey God (**REMEMBER:** Sacrificing Isaac) he moved into the fullness quickly.

The Key?

Why do we take so long to choose?

Our greatest deterrent to the BLESSING is our satisfaction in life without it.

"Eh, it's okay. I will make it."

UNDERSTAND: To enjoy the BLESSING in its fullness WE MUST place a very HIGH VALUE on it. You can't imagine your life without it! You can't imagine living life without it...making it through life without it.

When you find the value of the BLESSING...you will do ANYTHING to enjoy it.

BELOVED: Do you really understand how LIMITED your life is without the BLESSING?

Do you really understand how HOPELESS your life is without it.

Do you really understand how CONNECTED you are to the WORLD and it's messed up system without the BLESSING?

Once you understand the VALUE of the BLESSING...you will do whatever you have to do to LIVE in it! Which comes down to simply obeying.

Genesis 25:29-34 – Esau didn't value his birthright (carried the BLESSING).

Vs. 34 – "Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentiles; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: *thus Esau despised his birthright*."

He valued a bowl of soup over his birthright...the BLESSING.

THINK ABOUT IT: How often do we value money over the BLESSING...Do we value sleep over the BLESSING...Do we value looking good to others (lack of faith) over the BLESSING...Do we value breaking covenant over the BLESSING.

When Jacob received the BLESSING (Genesis 27) and Esau found out...he KNEW he had blown it, but it was too late.

BELOVED: Don't let it become too late...choose life!

Conclusion

As God concluded breaking covenant with Abraham...he made this statement.

Genesis 17:7 – "And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee."

REMEMBER: The whole thing of covenant is the BLESSING of it.

THEREFORE: God is saying the BLESSING is being established with Abraham and his descendants.

NOTICE: The way it is declared: "I will establish my covenant (BLESSING) between me and thee and thy seed after thee IN THEIR GENERATIONS."

BELOVED: Let's be those that carry this BLESSING in our generation.

Let's be those who walk in and stand behind the wall of BLESSING in this generation.

Let's be those who ENJOY the FULLNESS of the BLESSING in our generations!

Let's put such a high value on the BLESSING that nothing stops us from ENJOYING the BLESSING in our generations.