

Opening: Do you know how to be blessed? Have you developed the ability to walk in the blessing? God wants to equip you to not only receive the blessing but to multiply it and use it for His glory. Today we will look into the purpose of God's blessing in our life.

- a. **Purpose:** The closer you get into Jesus the closer you will be to your full purpose. It is God's desire and ability that will deliver you from lifeless work and pursuits that do not utilize your full potential.
 1. **Proverbs 19:21 "Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails" (Proverbs 19:21)**
 2. **John 15:16 You did not choose Me but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and that your fruit would remain, so that whatever you ask of the Father in My name He may give to you.**
 3. In Christ you have an APPOINTMENT with your Purpose, don't miss your appointment. Your appointment is your God given assignment, your mission, your victory, your legacy, the work you were made for that you will come alive by doing.
 4. The Blessing of God is in direct connection to your purpose, when you discover your purpose, you will discover the blessing to fulfill it.
 5. How do I discover my purpose? It is hidden for you in Jesus Christ. As you are found in Him you will discover the person He created you to be.
- b. **Power:** Biblical power is best understood as authority to do what should be done. God will give you power to accomplish His will and desire in the earth. The Holy Spirit will grant you the

upper hand. God's kingdom is not one of weakness, but of Power and demonstrations of His authority over all other authorities.

- 1. Isaiah 50:2 Why was no one there when I came? Why didn't anyone answer when I called? Is it because I have no power to rescue? No, that is not the reason! For I can speak to the sea and make it dry up! I can turn rivers into deserts covered with dying fish.**
 - 2. Matthew 22:29: Jesus answered, "You are mistaken because you do not know the Scriptures or the power of God.** The Sadducees religious leaders were often blind to God's full ability, and since they didn't believe in God's power to raise the dead or do much of anything they often lead people astray. We too will lead people astray if we preach a gospel that denies the power of God.
 - 3. Acts 1:8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."**
 - 4. God will grant Power (Authority) from His delegated authority to the submitted vessel to accomplish great a mighty works which we otherwise would not be able to do.**
 - 5. We need the power of God not to do what we can do in our own strength but to do the things that only God can accomplish in the earth.**
 - 6. God's power accompanies God's vision. If you have a God breathed, and God sized vision you will see the power of God to bring it to pass.**
- c. **Prominence:** Importance or famous, simply put you will be known because of your allegiance with Christ. This doesn't

mean fame like the world has fame. This prominence is important to God. God gives his faithful people a platform so that the world may see His blessing and return to Him.

1. **Proverbs 10:7 Proverbs 10:7 The memory of the righteous is a blessing, but the name of the wicked will rot.**
2. **Deuteronomy 28:1 “If you fully obey the Lord your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations on earth”**
3. **Isaiah 61:9 Then their offspring will be known among the nations, And their descendants in the midst of the peoples. All who see them will recognize them Because they are the offspring whom the LORD has blessed.**

2. **King David was blessed of God.**

- a. Why was King David blessed so abundantly even though He sinned in very big ways? David did not serve the Lord out of religious rhythms but King David truly loved God.
- b. Even when He sinned, which we all do, He repented quickly and returned to the Lord. Although David suffered because of His sins, God was gracious with Him and blessed His life.
- c. **John 14:21 Whoever has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me. The one who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and reveal Myself to him."**
- d. Did King David keep God's commandments? Yes, even though He stumbled He fulfilled the desire of God for swift humility. David's humility ensured that God could overcome the wrongs that David had committed and

ultimately bless David and His offspring. It is the same with us today.

- e. **Life Lesson: Quick repentance allows God to bless our lives even when we stumble.**

3. **The progression of Blessing:**

- a. **Exodus 23:29-30 29 I will not drive them out before you in a single year; otherwise, the land would become desolate and wild animals would multiply against you. 30 Little by little I will drive them out ahead of you, until you become fruitful and possess the land.**
- b. **God's blessings don't come all at once as if God is a genie or a get rich quick scheme. However, God has promised to give the land to each believer as we grow into it, and develop the ability to live in it by "possessing" it.**
- c. **Do I know how to be faithful to Jesus when I have been blessed?**
- d. **Will I seek the blessing or the one who blesses?**
- e. **Have I developed the ability to steward the blessings of God in my life?**
 1. Do you know how to be a good parent.
 2. Do you know how to be a good financial steward.
 3. Do you know how to love your spouse as Christ calls us to.
 4. Do you know how to give God the glory when He bestows honor on you?
 5. Would the blessing corrupt you if you had it all today or would you be the same person but with greater opportunity?
- f. **Key Point:** Israel had a cycle of serving God well for seasons, but as the blessings came they would often

return to the bondages and evil behaviors of the past, they did this because they would forget God.

- g. **Judges 2:10 Also, all [the people of] that generation were gathered to their fathers [in death]; and another generation arose after them who did not know (recognize, understand) the Lord, nor even the work which He had done for Israel.**
- h. **Judges 21:25 In those days there was no king in Israel. Everyone did what was right in his own eyes.**
- i. A Good memory is required to progress in the blessings, never forget who the source of your blessings is. Be careful not to take the credit or the glory for all the good in your life.

4. **The Abstract Blessings of God**

- a. **What would you give to have the following realities in your life?**
 1. Assurance that your children will grow up to love, honor and serve God in life?
 2. Health that doesn't fail, and when you get sick you swiftly recover.
 3. Friends that are there for you when you need them, who encourage, uphold and bless your life.
 4. A spouse who walks in unity with you, whom you love deeply and are loved by deeply.
 5. To know the truth and to never fall into a lie from your adversary.
- b. There are blessings that money cannot buy. God's blessing upon your life provides for things you didn't even think to ask for but you knew you always wanted and needed?

Conclusion: Allow God to paint the picture of His blessed life for you. Tear down the expectations for less and believe the good news. God is not just offering forgiveness, but He is offering promotion, not a handout but a hand up to become who you were meant to be!