



THE
Exchanged
LIFE

THE **NINE EXCHANGES**
MADE AT THE CROSS



Exchange #5

Jesus was made a curse, so we
might receive his blessing



Galatians 3:13-14

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a pole." He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit.

Promises

Jesus was made a curse in our place ... so ...

We can receive the blessing of Abraham

1st Promise

Jesus was made a curse

Misfortune ... Adversity ... Harm

Limits understanding and receiving God's blessings

Deuteronomy 28:15 However, if you do not obey the Lord your God and do not carefully follow all his commands and decrees, I am giving you today, all these curses will come on you and overtake you

Common Ways Open Door

1. Idolatry – seeking other ways to gain what should only come from God
2. False Religion
3. Wrong Attitudes Toward Parents

Ephesians 6:1–3 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. “Honor your father and mother”—which is the first commandment with a promise— “so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.”

Common Ways Open Door

4. Injustice to the Weak

Psalm 41:1 Blessed are those who have regard for the weak; the Lord delivers them in times of trouble.

God deeply involved in New Life

Psalm 139:13, 16 For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. ... Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.

Jeremiah 1:5 Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.

Luke 1:41 When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.

Common Ways Open Door

5. Cursing the People of God

Genesis 12:3 I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.

6. Our Own Words

2nd Promise –

That We May Receive Blessing

Galatians 3:14 He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive (lambano) the promise of the Spirit.

Be a Believer

John 20:27 Then He said to Thomas, "Place your finger here, and see My hands; and take your hand and put it into My side; and do not continue in disbelief, but be a believer."

Blessings of Abraham and Us!

Genesis 12:1–3 The Lord had said to Abram, “Go from your country, your people and your father’s household to the land I will show you. “I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.”

1. "I will show you your land..."

You have a destiny!

Psalm 32:8 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you."

2. "I will make you a great nation..."

You belong to a great family!

Ephesians 2:19

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household,

3. "I will bless you..."

You have favor with God!

Deuteronomy 28:8 The Lord will send a blessing on your barns and on everything you put your hand to. The Lord your God will bless you in the land he is giving you.

Psalms 23:6 ... your goodness and unfailing love will pursue me all the days of my life ...

4. "I will make your name great..."

You can have a great legacy!

1 Peter 2:12 Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.

5. "You will bless others..."

You were created to give!

Galatians 6:9-10 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith."

"When God blesses you financially, don't raise your standard of living. Raise your standard of giving."

- Mark Batterson

6. "I will bless those who bless you..."

You can have favor with man!

Proverbs 3:3-4 Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. Then you will win favor and a good name in the sight of God and man.

7. "You will bless all the earth..."

As you faithfully & obediently serve and give, God uses you to change lives and the world.

Sum up Abraham & Our Blessings

Genesis 24:1 Now Abraham was old, advanced in age; and the LORD had blessed Abraham in every way.

The blessing of Abraham covers every area of our life



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Declare – Blessing for Curses

- Lord Jesus Christ, I believe that You are the Son of God and the only way to God the Father.
- I believe that You died on the cross for my sins and rose again from the dead.
- I believe that on the cross You took any & all curses that might come upon me, & instead gave me Your blessing.

Blessing for Curses

- And now, Lord, I come to You for deliverance from any such curse.
- **I repent of any sins that have caused it to come upon my life**, whether committed by me or by my ancestors.
- I receive Your forgiveness & renounce this area of my past life, including **any & all thoughts & actions** associated with it.

Blessing for Curses

- In the name of Jesus, I take my stand now against the devil, all his pressures, everything he wants to do against me & refuse to submit to him any longer.
- **Because of what Jesus did for me on the cross, in His name I release myself from any curse over my life.**
- And I receive the release now by faith. I thank and praise You now.

Blessing for Curses

- I believe in You and in your faithfulness to do what I have asked.
- **I commit my life to You** & declare Your blessing rest upon me now