Blessed to be a Blessing 1 Peter 3:8-12

Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind. Do not repay evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary, bless, for to this you were called, that you may obtain a blessing. For

"Whoever desires to love life
and see good days,
let him keep his tongue from evil
and his lips from speaking deceit;
let him turn away from evil and do good;
let him seek peace and pursue it.
For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous,
and his ears are open to their prayer.
But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil."

How to be a Blessing (and Receive Blessing):

- 1. When Faced with Hate, Respond with Love: Overcome Evil with Good (1 Peter 3:8-11, Romans 12:9-21)
- 2. Keep Yourself Clean (1 Peter 3:9-11, James 1:26-27 & 3:1-12)
- 3. Remember the Lord is Watching (1 Peter 3:12, Romans 12:9-21)



Questions for Small Group Discussion:

- 1. How can a vastly diverse group of believer's experience "Unity of Mind"?
- 2. How will I incorporate my desire to be a blessing into my routines?
- 3. Which relationally foolish attribute do I struggle with most (proud, indulgent, insensitive, manipulative, forget, fickle)? Would my spouse/parents/teacher agree?
- 4. What will I do to foster and grow in the relationally wise alternative attribute?