THE VALUE OF A FATHER'S BLESSINGS

Father's day

2022 My Overcoming Year

Genesis 27:1-4 NKJV

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GENESIS 1:27-28 NKJV

So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. 28 Then God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that [a]moves on the earth.”

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PSALM 112:1-3 NKJV

Praise[a] the Lord! Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, Who delights greatly in His commandments. 2 His descendants will be mighty on earth; The generation of the upright will be blessed. 3 Wealth and riches will be in his house, And his righteousness [b]endures forever.

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PROVERBS 10:22 KJV

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GENESIS 24:34-35 NKJV

So he said, "I am Abraham's servant. 35 The Lord has blessed my master greatly, and he has become great; and He has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female servants, and camels and donkeys.

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GENESIS 26:12-14 NKJV

Then Isaac sowed in that land, and reaped in the same year a hundredfold; and the Lord blessed him. 13 The man began to prosper, and continued prospering until he became very prosperous; 14 for he had possessions of flocks and possessions of herds and a great number of servants. So the Philistines envied him

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GENESIS 39:5 NKJV

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1 Chronicles 4:9-10 NKJV

Now Jabez was more honorable than his brothers, and his mother called his name [a]Jabez, saying, “Because I bore him in pain.” 10 And Jabez called on the God of Israel saying, “Oh, that You would bless me indeed, and enlarge my [b]territory, that Your hand would be with me, and that You would keep me from evil, that I may not cause pain!” So God granted him what he requested.

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EPHESIANS 6:1-3 NKJV

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. 2 “Honor your father and mother,” which is the first commandment with promise: 3 “that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth.”

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    c. Jacob obeyed his mother and Isaac was deceived to give the blessing to Jacob instead of Esau.
    d. Later Esau came in with his own meal to receive his father's blessing and discovered that the blessing had already been given to Jacob and although he obtained it under false pretenses the scriptures said he must be blessed. Gen.27:33-35

GENESIS 27:33-35 NKJV

Then Isaac trembled exceedingly, and said, "Who? Where is the one who hunted game and brought it to me? I ate all of it before you came, and I have blessed him—and indeed he shall be blessed." 34 When Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with an exceedingly great and bitter cry, and said to his father, "Bless me—me also, O my father!" 35 But he said, "Your brother came with deceit and has taken away your blessing."

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HEBREWS 12:16 NKJV

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2 KINGS 2:1-2 NKJV

And it came to pass, when the Lord was about to take up Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind, that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal. 2 Then Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here, please, for the Lord has sent me on to Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As the Lord lives, and as your soul lives, I will not leave you!” So they went down to Bethel.

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2 KINGS 2:9-10 NKJV

And so it was, when they had crossed over, that Elijah said to Elisha, “Ask! What may I do for you, before I am taken away from you?” Elisha said, “Please let a double portion of your spirit be upon me.” 10 So he said, “You have asked a hard thing. Nevertheless, if you see me when I am taken from you, it shall be so for you; but if not, it shall not be so.”

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2 KINGS 2:15 NKJV

Now when the sons of the prophets who were from[a] Jericho saw him, they said, "The spirit of Elijah rests on Elisha." And they came to meet him, and bowed to the ground before him.

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Genesis 49:3-4 NKJV

“Reuben, you are my firstborn, My might and the beginning of my strength, The excellency of dignity and the excellency of power. 4 Unstable as water, you shall not excel, Because you went up to your father’s bed; Then you defiled it— He went up to my couch.

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DEUTERONOMY 33:6 NKJV

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GENESIS 14:18-20 NKJV

Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was the priest of God Most High. 19 And he blessed him and said: “Blessed be Abram of God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth; 20 And blessed be God Most High, Who has delivered your enemies into your hand.” And he gave him [a]a tithe of all.

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NUMBERS 6:22-27 NKJV

And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying: 23 “Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, ‘This is the way you shall bless the children of Israel. Say to them: 24 “The Lord bless you and keep you; 25 The Lord make His face shine upon you, And be gracious to you; 26 The Lord [a]lift up His countenance upon you, And give you peace.” ’ 27 “So they shall [b]put My name on the children of Israel, and I will bless them.”

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MALACHI 4:5-6 NKJV

Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet
Before the coming of the great and dreadful
day of the Lord. 6 And he will turn The hearts
of the fathers to the children, And the hearts
of the children to their fathers, Lest I come
and strike the earth with a curse

My counsel

1. Seek, desire, fight for and value the blessings of your natural Father and Mother
2. Also Seek, desire, fight for and value the blessings of your spiritual Father and Mother
3. Fathers and Mothers, do not hesitate to pronounce a blessing on your children. In fact, pronounce a blessing on your children every day. It could shape their destiny. Prov.18:21

PROVERBS 18:21 NKJV

Death and life are in the power of the tongue,
And those who love it will eat its fruit.

ALTAR CALL

Lord Jesus, I am a sinner and I need you to save me. I believe you died for me and rose up on the third day that I may be justified. Today, Lord Jesus, I confess and repent of all my sins; I forsake them; forgive me Lord Jesus; come into my heart Lord Jesus; be my Lord and savior; from today I promise to serve you in the name of Jesus

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Prayer 1

Father in the name of Jesus, grant every father the grace to be the best father they could be to their children and turn the hearts of the children to their fathers according to your word in the name of Jesus. Mal.4:5-6;

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1. I pronounce the blessing of the Lord that makes people upon you to make you;
   a. Into a crown of glory and a royal diadem in the hand of the Lord. Isa.62:3
   b. Into trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord that He may be glorified. Isa. 61:3
   c. Into a well-watered garden and a spring of water whose waters do not fail. Isa.58:
   d. Into a battle-axe and weapon of war for destroying the kingdoms of darkness Jer.51:20

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   e. Into a Pillar in the House of God Rev.3:12
   f. Into a fruitful bough by the well whose branches run over the wall. Gen.49:22
   g. Into the light of the world and A city on a hill which cannot be hid. Matt.5:14;
   h. Into an eternal excellence, the joy of many generations. Isa.60:15;
   i. Into the best person you can ever be.

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2. Today You are blessed With the blessings of heaven above, the Blessings of the deep that lies beneath, the Blessings of the breasts and of the womb. Gen.49:25;
3. The Lord Shall give you Of the dew of heaven, Of the fatness of the earth, And plenty of grain and wine. Let peoples serve you, And nations bow down to you. Be master over your brethren, And let your mother's sons bow down to you. Cursed be everyone who curses you, And blessed be those who bless you!" Gen.27:28-29

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4. The abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, The wealth of the Gentiles shall come to you. Wealth and riches shall be in your house. Isa.60:5; Ps.112:1-3;
5. The glory of the Lord shall be seen upon you and Kings shall come to the brightness of your rising; "The sons of foreigners shall build up your walls, And their kings shall minister to you; in the name of Jesus. Isa.60:2,3,10;

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6. I bless you with the blessings of the Lord that makes rich without sorrow. Prov.10:22.
7. I bless you with joyful marriages, prosperous endeavors, peaceful existence, divine health, excellent children and blessed generations in the name of Jesus. Ps.112:1-3;