

- *1 On that day they read from the Book of Moses in the hearing of the people. And in it was found written that no Ammonite or Moabite should ever enter the assembly of God, 2 for they did not meet the people of Israel with bread and water, but hired Balaam against them to curse them—yet our God turned the curse into a blessing. Nehemiah 13:1-2*

- **Nehemiah is Cleaning House**

- The WORD OF GOD exposed the enemy.

- **My temptation is to resist God's prompting to move the thing that doesn't belong.**

- When I do this I am inviting the curse that is on the enemy into my life.

- The Enemy knows that as long as you stay under the covering of the Father's house, then the enemy cannot destroy your life.

- **Wearing Down Your Walls- Spiritual Attack**

- **Loss of Spiritual Desire**

- Just want to quit
- Doing what you're doing out of duty not desire.
- I can miss church and it won't bother me.

- **Physical and Emotional Exhaustion**

- Enemy wants to wear you down.
- Get tired
- After great victory or before great promotion

- **Lack Attack**

- When resources start drying up- @Same time
- Get your eyes on money and off of trusting God

- **Prayer Attack**

- Prayer keeps you in the spirit and out of the Flesh

- **Feeling Overwhelmed**

- Circumstance- Circle

- **Old Iniquities Begin To Resurface**

- The enemy will always attack at the last place he was successful.

- Pulling Away From Godly Relationships
- *In all of this, the enemy is trying to lure you out from the place of blessing. He understands what you don't...*
- ***Blessing is not an event. It is a state of being!***
 - *Event/single moment - State of being/everything connected to me.*
 - *Holy handshake- event- NO I'm blessed!*
- **There is power in the Blessing!**
 - ***Blessed are Blessed. Cursed are Cursed.***
- **Balaam was internationally renowned as one who was effective in exacting both blessing and cursing on individuals and groups.**
 - But now he had encountered an incomparable God who had promised to bless His people.
- **Balak and Balaam go up and sacrifice. Goes to curse but a blessing comes out. 3x**
- **Balak- I was going to make you wealthy.**

- **Big Idea- He didn't have the Nod of God**
- ***How shall I curse whom God has not cursed?***
Numbers 23:8
- The curse of the enemy... Sickness, fear...
 - **The enemy's cure isn't as powerful as God's**
BLESSING!
 - Your children will be drug addicts...
 - Your marriage will never heal...
 - You'll never be healed...
 - You'll never be successful...
 - "God often opens his hand one finger at a time."
- ***Then Balak said to Balaam, "What have you done to me? I took you to curse my enemies, and look, you have blessed them bountifully!" Numbers 23:11***
- **LOOK!**
- **You should be happy when the devil says..**
 - You'll never prosper...
 - You'll never get married...

- **God says- I'm turning it!**
- Curses have a dynamic power - once uttered they cannot simply be recalled. **They can, however, be canceled by blessings.**
- If God is for me. If God is on my side. **Then HE WILL Reverse the Curse!!!**
- **19 God is not a man, so He does not lie. He is not human, so He does not change his mind. Has he ever spoken and failed to act? Has He ever promised and not carried it through? 20 Listen, I received a command to bless; God has blessed, and I cannot reverse it! Numbers 23:20**
- **If you're blessed, the devil can't reverse it!**
- *When the devil brings the CURSE, GOD says, I DON'T THINK SO!!!*
 - **Pharaoh-** Red Sea- he was going to kill everyone.
 - **Daniel-** You're enemies don't get the final say. The Lions don't get the final say.

- **David** at Ziklag- Encouraged himself- He turned it on the enemy!
- **Joseph-** in the pit- you meant evil for me...
- **Jesus** became the curse...
- ***By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. Hebrews 11:20***
- ***No weapon that is fashioned against you shall succeed, and you shall refute every tongue that rises against you in judgment. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord and their vindication from me, declares the Lord."* Isaiah 54:17**