"The Blessing Of God" Part 6

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Last week we left off at John 20:29...

John 20:29 King James Version

29 Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.

Tonight, I will be speaking about the covenant we have in the blessing. We will be going back and forth to several scriptures and some of them we have gone through already – but we are building something, we are building a house and a foundation that cannot be moved. Just like a good general contractor who must learn about all the trades and aspects of building through repetition, we need to repeat our steps until we learn it and can do it with wavering.

Repeating or Repetition is very important. Certain *things* build on one another and the purpose of repetition is to reinforce memory and/or understanding. Repetition in sports creates muscle memory so you don't have to think about it. When the situation arises your body reacts instead of processing and acting. When you get the scriptures in you, you will no longer act like the world (toil and sorrow) but act like Christ.

Joshua 1:8 King James Version

8 This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

The Power of Repetition: Making habits - one of the most amazing benefits of repetition is its capacity to engrave patterns of thought into our subconscious mind, that then manifest in amazing habits, prosperous habits with supernatural outcomes.

This works whether you want it or not. Have you ever heard a song so many times you end up hating it but you can't get it out of your head? This is a common example but the same principal can be applied to anything we want. Repetition is the first step to learning, why?

Because, we haven't really learned something until it becomes engraved in our mind and becomes a part of us, that's why school gives home work. We need to repeat something again and again until what we have been taught gets into our head and stays there. Can you imagine someone learning how to divide, multiply, or how to write just by doing it once?

These processes are not automatic, that's why we need to read the scriptures over and over, and never stop studying.

Psalm 119:130 Amplified Bible

130 The entrance and unfolding of Your words give light; their unfolding gives understanding (discernment and comprehension) to the simple.

Now, lets go to the book of Genesis...

Genesis 5:28-29 King James Version

- 28 And Lamech lived an hundred eighty and two years, and begat a son:
- 29 And he called his name Noah, saying, This same shall comfort us concerning our work and toil of our hands, because of the ground which the LORD hath cursed.

He knew something was coming here which the Lord had cursed: toil, ground, there's coming something here that's going to change things.

Genesis 9:1-3 King James Version

- 1 And God blessed Noah and his sons, Ham, Shem and Japheth and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.
- 2 And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth upon the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are they delivered.
- 3 Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you;

Why? The Blessing is back! That's the first thing the human being ever heard and that's God perfect will for us and it's been God's will since the beginning of time. Adam messed it up but God started working immediately to get it back. To get man out of that cursed ground and get him out of that toiling mode. God wants us to be blessed and get the blessing to work in our lives. God could've said too bad, but thank God He stayed with it and us to get it back.

Genesis 9:9-11 King James Version

9 And I, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your seed after you;

We won't take the time to read all of that tonight, but in the process HE told him that because of this covenant the earth will not be cursed again on account of what you did.

So the ground was cursed and the curse was still there, but when you have the blessing available the curse has to bow its knee to the blessing and the ground or where you are asked to work will obey you.

Remember Shem, Ham and Japheth? Ham and Japheth did not follow that blessing, they did not accept it. They went their own way. They tried to bless themselves and the ultimate end of that was? I referenced this a couple of weeks ago - the tower of Babel.

Now let's go to the book of Hebrews, we will begin in the first chapter.

Hebrews 1:1 King James Version

I God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,

Hebrews 1:1 Amplified Bible

I In many separate revelations [each of which set forth a portion of the Truth] and in different ways God spoke of old to [our] forefathers in and by the prophets,

Hebrews 1:2 King James Version

2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

Now wait a minute, I thought Abraham was the heir of all things? Now, Jesus is the seed of Abraham, I'm going to throw something at you right now, and this is in the Bible so don't get mad at me.

Everything that Jesus did on this earth (you'll see this in a minute) was not because He was the son of God – the Word says He emptied himself of His divine privileges. Every healing, every miracle, walking on the water, multiplying the fish and the loaves, EVERYTHING HE DID, was the Blessing without Measure or The Blessing or The Blessing Of God. That's where all the miracles came from and all the healings came from. He preached on it and preached on it and preached on it. That's where beatitude comes from, or, this is how your attitude should be.

Beatitude defined:

declarations of blessedness made by Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount. Found in Matthew 5:3-11KJV

Matthew 5:3-11 King James Version

3 Blessed are the <u>poor</u> (humble, servants of God regardless of position) in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Remember what the Apostle Paul said...

2 Corinthians 8:9 King James Version

9 For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes <u>he became poor</u>, that ye through his poverty might be rich.

Confirmed by Peter...

1 Peter 5:5-7 King James Version

- 5 ...be clothed with <u>humility</u>: for God resisteth the proud, (that's the one who is trying to still take care of his own cares, he's still trying the sorrow route) and giveth grace to the <u>humble</u>.
- 6 <u>Humble</u> yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time:
- 7 Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

Matthew 5:4-11 King James Version

- 4 Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.
- 5 Blessed are the meek (patient, long-suffering): for they shall inherit the earth.
- 6 Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.
- 7 Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.
- 8 Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.
- 9 Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.
- 10 Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Romans 8:17 Good News Translation

17 Since we are his children, we will possess the blessings he keeps for his people, and we will also possess with Christ what God has kept for him; for if we share Christ's suffering, we will also share his glory.

Matthew 5:11 King James Version

11 Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.

He's taking it one step at a time and telling us the kind of thinking that will keep us in the blessing. Blessed are they, blessed are they, blessed are they..... the anointing was removing burdens and destroying yokes. Jesus referred to Himself as the Son of Adam, the Son of Man.

1 Corinthians 15:45 King James Version

45 And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit.

Jesus pushed the blessing to the limit and He is called the second and the last ADAM.

Philippians 2:1-9 King James Version

- I If there be therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies,
- 2 Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind.
- 3 Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.
- 4 Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.
- 5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:
- 6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:
- 7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:
- 8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.
- 9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:

Now to Hebrews...

Hebrews 1:3 King James Version

3 Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

Upholding all **things** by the Word of His power. The Word of His power is: be fruitful and multiply and have dominion and subdue the earth – that was God's Word and that's what's upholding this entire universe.

Lets go over to the 3rd chapter of Hebrews,

Hebrews 3:1 King James Version

I Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, partakers of the heavenly calling...

Stop right there, look over to the 5th chapter, verse 9 of Hebrews and this is still talking about Jesus upholding **all things** by the Word of His power.

Hebrews 5:9-10 King James Version

9 And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;

10 Called of God a high priest after the order of Melchisedec.

Go back to chapter 3 of Hebrews – this is getting good...

Hebrews 3:1 King James Version

1 Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling,

You are a partaker, that's the only reason HE did it, HE didn't need to be the high priest after the order of Melchisedec – YOU and I needed Him to be the high priest after the order of Melchisedec.

WE are partakers of that heavenly calling not only to receive from it, but we are kings and priests. The Bible says Joint Heirs to HIS throne and to the blessing. We have just as much right on that throne of Grace as HE does and as much right to the blessing as HE does because HE bought it for us. It was ours first, that's why HE had to become a man to get it back. IT BELONGED TO US. Just because Adam gave it away and the devil took it doesn't mean it's the devils.

Hebrews 3:1 King James Version

1 Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider (fix your mind on) the Apostle (the one God sent) and High Priest of our profession, the high priest of our saying the same thing that he does (that is what the Greek text says there – literally) when we put His words into our mouths, meaning His Will, His Purpose, the He is responsible for bringing it to pass. Christ Jesus; the one that God sent to be the high priest over "Our Word of God" when we speak it. This is what Jesus is anointed to do.

Now, we're going to go back to the Old Testament in Genesis 14:17. Remember, Lot got captured by a nation and a king that subdued all the nations around him.

He was the most powerful leader and had the most powerful army at that time. There was a group of people who declared their independence and they got beat up pretty bad. That group got Lot, that was a bad move. Why? You just got the blessing involved. There is protection in The Blessing.

Let me say this, God loves the President of Iran, Hassan Rouhani just as much as He does you and I. But God isn't covenant connected to Hassan Rouhani, He's covenant connected and responsible for you and I. He's covenant responsible for Lot because he's blood related to Abraham. Can you see the difference?

I'm covenant responsible for Kellie. I stood up and gave my solemn oath that for the rest of my life I would care for her like Christ cares for the church and I do, and I love her because it's a commandment. I love her whether I like her or not. I love her because the Word says for me to love her and I do. I'm not going to let any care, feelings or gossip or anything like that break it off because I have to obey that commandment — I'm not giving up this blessing for her or anyone else.

I love my neighbor as myself, I love you everyone. But, I'm covenant responsible for Kellie Williams. If you come up and try to hurt her, remember, I love you, but I'm going to hurt you.

This is just part of the covenant God promised Abraham and God loves them all but HE promised Abraham in blood that if anyone comes against you I will come against him 7 ways. HE's got a promise out, HE loves you but if you come against HIM, if HE has to, HE will kill you.

If you try to hurt her (Kellie), I will do my best to try and talk you out of it, if that don't work, I have weapons that are not carnal, they're powerful through God for the pulling down of strongholds and I want you to know that I will use them.

I know this sounds funny, but this is serious. I'm telling you how God thinks and this took me a long time to learn this because I always wanted to take care of things myself but that has sorrow and toil.

I'm covenant responsible for Kellie and I'm going to keep protecting her until you stop. Whatever it takes, I'll break your arm then pray over you to get you healed. I'm not going to hate you, I love you and I would hope that somewhere down the line that you would repent and we could be friends again.

But if you keep coming and put her and my family in danger, if it requires it, I will kill you. I have God's Word on it.

Numbers 32:20-22 King James Version (KJV)

20 And Moses said unto them, If ye will do this thing, if ye will go armed before the Lord to war,

- 21 And will go all of you armed over Jordan before the Lord, until he hath driven out his enemies from before him,
- 22 And the land be subdued before the Lord: then afterward ye shall return, and be guiltless before the Lord, and before Israel; and this land shall be your possession before the Lord.

So, a man that goes to war armed in the Lord and God removes his enemies from before him, he shall return home guiltless and without shame. I'll pray for you, I'll preach your funeral and I will tell everyone how much I loved you.

We need to understand this because this answers many questions; this answers questions for the military. What does the Bible mean when it says thou shalt not kill? Does it really mean thou shalt not kill?

Now don't get all defensive and hear me out. Isn't there more than one English word that means to kill? For instance, self defense, homicide, first, second and third degree. The same is true in the Hebrew language. There's 10 different words that the English people translated kill and they all mean something different. When the commandment says thou shalt not kill, it used the word murder, thou shalt not murder. That doesn't apply to the military, that doesn't apply to a man protecting his household.

Understand that our blessing is intact and we have certain responsibilities because of that or we will answer for it. Now, you try to jump out there and take care of it yourself, your blessing is not working then, and it will become very serious.

Now God armed 318 men of Abram's household and they took off after this King, 318 men under the blessing of God went out and destroyed the biggest army in the land. We talked about how they used techniques and strategies that no one had ever seen. You need to learn and understand that you have weapons in the blessing in case you ever need to go to war.

I believe in war, I served in the military and I have guns, war is scriptural. In the course of human events when ungodly people break the laws of God's peace and well being and bring oppression and death and pain on other people to the point where local law enforcement can not handle it, that's when the prince of peace rises up and becomes the man of war.

He puts a stop to it. But, if you want to fail at war you do it your way instead of His way and you will get beat every time.

Now, Abram and his men, they took that army down...

Genesis 14:17-19 King James Version

17 And the king of Sodom went out to meet him after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer, and of the kings that were with him, at the valley of Shaveh, which is the king's dale.

18 And Melchizedek king of Salem (Jerusalem – the lord mayor of Jerusalem) brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high God.

19 And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth:

He didn't say God was the possessor of heaven and earth, everyone already knew that. But, because he was "of God", had covenant with God and was blessed, he became possessor of heaven and earth.

Did Adam own the heavens and the earth under that blessing? Yes he did. But he threw it away and satan took it over. Now here's a man whose got the blessing.....Now how'd he get it? How did this come on him?

Remember Noah and his sons Shem, Ham and Japheth? Two of them went out on their own, disobedient to God's commands and out of them came the Babylonian system. That system is the world of toil, strife, anxiousness, putting people down in order to get everything they got. That's not God's way of doing things. They violated the blessing, the blessing was to replenish the earth. It was to be fruitful, multiply and replicate yourself in the image of God. They thought they had a better way than God's.

Genesis 14:20 King James Version

20 And blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave (it didn't say pay – pay is the toil word for tithing, you don't pay tithes) and he gave him tithes of all.

Hebrews 3:1 King James Version

1 Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling,

Hebrews 6:16-17 King James Version

16 For men verily swear by the greater: and an oath for confirmation is to them an end of all strife.

17 Wherein God, willing more abundantly (how many words does HE have to use to get this across to you and I that this is what HE wants for us, more abundantly) to shew unto the heirs of promise (isn't that who HE said that we are? holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling), heirs of the promise in Galatians 3 the immutability the absolute impossibleness to change HIS word. to show the immutability of his counsel, confirmed it by an oath:

I need to remind you of something so you get it down in your spirit. When Abraham died, God appeared to Isaac and He stood before him and He said something, a promise.

Genesis 26:3, 5 King James Version

- 3 Sojourn (dwell temporarily) in this land, and I will be with thee, and will <u>bless thee</u>; for unto thee, and unto thy seed, I will give all these countries, and I will perform the oath which I sware unto Abraham thy father;
- 5 Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.

There's all these different religions out there trying to get God to perform – He's never changed! Get over on the oath that He promised Abraham and He will perform it. All the over stuff that people dream up why He does this and doesn't do that is man made. God is no respecter of persons but He is a respecter of FAITH.

You get over on the Word of His Power and He will uphold you. He will perform it and will never change it. <u>God is</u> willing and more abundantly, more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise to show the immutability of his counsel, confirmed it by an oath:

Hebrews 6:18-20 King James Version

18 That by two immutable things, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us:

What are those 2 immutable things in which it was impossible for God to lie? What did Melchizedek have in his hands when he met Abram? The bread and the wine. Signs of the covenant: the body and blood of Jesus. Back then, he didn't know it meant that but he knew it meant blood covenant. God is a covenant man. He made a rainbow covenant with Noah to be ever reminded of His Word.

Hebrews 6:19-20 King James Version

19 Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, (it anchors our emotions, it anchors our mind, it anchors our will in Him. We believe things we can't see and call things to be not as though they were – we know the blessing of Abraham has come and it is working for us and it's only a matter of time. Why? Because I have a high priest that never sleeps) both sure and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil;

20 Whither the forerunner is for us entered, even Jesus, made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

Hebrews 6:19-20 Amplified Bible

19 [Now] we have this [hope] as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul [it cannot slip and it cannot break down under whoever steps out upon it—a hope] that reaches farther and enters into [the very certainty of the Presence] within the veil,

20 Where Jesus has entered in for us [in advance], a Forerunner having become a High Priest forever after the order (with the rank) of Melchizedek.

Melchisedec was under orders. What was he under orders to do? There's two things we know. He had been ordered to make covenant which Jesus has done, we have it right here, the new covenant, the New Testament. We are the generation with the whole thing (Word) in our hands. He was ordered to receive Abraham's tithe and promise. To make a promise, to transfer Noah's blessing into the hands of Abram.

We have a covenant with God under the blessing – He will fight for us!

