



Your Covenant with God: The Power of the Blood Covenant
Lesson 7: Blessings and Curses

Introduction / Review

Hebrews 8:6

If we truly understood our covenant with God, we would never live in defeat.

In order for God to legally work in the earth and bring about our freedom from Satan, He had to establish a covenant with a man.

He did this with Abraham.

All of the promises God made to Abraham belong to us too when we are in Christ!

Galatians 3:29 – New Living Translation

And now that you belong to Christ, you are the true children of Abraham. You are his heirs, and God's promise to Abraham belongs to you.

Blessings and Curses

We are going to look at the blessings and curses listed under the Old Covenant.

But, before we do that, we must read a key scripture in the New Testament.

Galatians 3:13, 14

This explains that we have been _____ from the curse of the law.

Many Christians live their entire lives with a misunderstanding of this.

Review – What does it mean to be redeemed (from Lesson 1)?

Definition of REDEEM: _____

Because many do not have a revelation of being redeemed from the curse, they live under the curse in many areas of their lives. The devil takes advantage of their ignorance.

Galatians 3 is extremely significant.

In the Old Covenant, the only way to be free from the curse of the law was to obey every part of it perfectly. This was an impossible task for anybody. The entire law contains 613 laws.

The New Testament tells us that if we break one part of the law we are guilty of breaking the entire law.

James 2:10

Under the law, if you followed 612 rules perfectly, but broke one rule, you were guilty. The law was like a big test that nobody could pass.

When Jesus died on the cross, He redeemed us from _____

He made us righteous and brought us into His family. By faith I receive His free gift of righteousness.

2 Corinthians 5:21

The reason this is important to understand is this – in the Old Covenant the only way to live in the blessings of God was by perfect obedience. Now, because I have righteousness by faith, I have met the requirements for blessings!

With this in mind let's look at Deuteronomy 28. This chapter tells us about the blessings and the curses.

Deuteronomy 28 is divided into two parts. First, all of the blessings of our covenant with God are listed. Then, the chapter lists all of the curses, which we discovered we have been redeemed from.

We can apply this to our personal lives in many ways. We can claim the blessings of God and reject the curses because Jesus has set us free. Understanding the curses also allows you to know your redemption. A summary of Deuteronomy 28 would be this – God does not want us to lack anything or any harm to come upon us.

When I have an understanding of what it means to be redeemed from the curse of the law, I can now look at Deuteronomy 28 in a new way.

Deuteronomy 28:1, 2

Under the Old Covenant the blessings were only available to those who perfectly obeyed every law. Now that I am righteous in Christ, these blessing are available to me.

This does not mean that you do not have to obey God.

It does mean that there is no longer obedience to a set of rules, but rather a relationship with Jesus. Out of that relationship, I desire to please Him.

Deuteronomy 28:2

Definition of OVERTAKE: _____

It is the same Hebrew word in Genesis 44:4.

Genesis 44:3, 4**New Living Translation**

Chase after them and stop them. When you catch up with them . . .

Message Bible

Run after them. When you catch up with them . . .

Good News Bible

Hurry after those men. When you catch up with them . . .

When you are in covenant with God, His blessings _____.
You don't have to chase after them.

Deuteronomy 28:3

Wherever you go, you will be blessed.

Deuteronomy 28:4

This speaks of two things.

- Your _____ will be blessed.
- Your _____ will be blessed.

Deuteronomy 28:5

You will never lack food.

Deuteronomy 28:6

You will be blessed no matter what time it is and in every _____ of your life.

Deuteronomy 28:7

Your enemies will join forces together to attack you.

The covenant does not do away with attacks of the enemy. However, because of the covenant, God fights for us.

It is your covenant right to not have to put up with the devil for even one second!

Deuteronomy 28:8

All that you do and all of your _____ are blessed.

Deuteronomy 28:9-11

This verse speaks of abundance.

Definition of PLENTY OF GOODS: _____

Deuteronomy 28:12

Nothing you do will be done in vain!

You shall lend and not borrow.

Debt is a part of the curse.

Deuteronomy 28:13

Head and not the tail.

- You will be a _____ and not a _____
- You will not be dragged around through life's circumstances.

Above only and not be beneath

- You will be moving forward in life.
- You will have more, not less.

Do you see how having an understanding of your covenant will change the way you speak over your life?

There are many curses listed. The following are the top five things listed in the curses that we are now free from because of Jesus.

5 things you have been set free from because of Jesus

1. _____

Deuteronomy 28:33

1 Corinthians 15:57

2. _____

Deuteronomy 28:34

Isaiah prophesied of Jesus calling Him the Prince of Peace. Then Isaiah said the following.

Isaiah 26:3

3. _____

Deuteronomy 28:24

2 Corinthians 8:9

4. _____

There are many sicknesses listed in Deuteronomy 28.

Deuteronomy 28:27, 28

Confusion of heart speaks of senility – memory loss, Alzheimer’s – all a part of the curse you have been redeemed from.

Deuteronomy 28:22

Deuteronomy 28:35

Deuteronomy 28:59-61

You have been redeemed from _____ known to mankind!

Did you know that you do not have to die of sickness? Did you know that you can just become old and die healthy?

5. _____

Deuteronomy 28:32**Deuteronomy 28:41**

Your covenant is _____. Stand upon your covenant for your children.

Acts 16:31The Four Blessings of the Covenant

1. _____

Definition of REDEEM:

- To buy back
- Ransom

The devil owned you. But Jesus, by his death and resurrection bought you back. He paid the ransom with His blood.

If you understand what Jesus accomplished, you will live and pray with authority and confidence.

After Jesus rose from the dead, He took His own blood into heaven.

Hebrews 9:12

Jesus' own blood has been poured out in heaven. It eternally speaks of our redemption.

Hebrews 10:19**Revelation 12:11**

The power of the blood of Jesus gives you authority and power over the devil. Your redemption is a blessing of the New Covenant.

2. _____

Every born again believer, or member of the New Covenant, receives God's righteousness.

This righteousness gives you standing in the presence of the Father. This standing is identical to what Jesus has. You have His righteousness.

If you actually believe the Bible, and believe that you have His righteousness, you will not be sin conscious.

The only consciousness of sin that you will have is when you do something wrong. At those times you go to Jesus for forgiveness.

When you have an understanding of your righteousness you no longer feel inferior.

You also become fearless when confronting the devil.

When you get saved your spirit is recreated you get God's life, you no longer live in darkness, but rather in light. You become a new creation.

2 Corinthians 5:17

When you get saved, you receive God's nature!

2 Corinthians 5:21

God looks upon your spirit and sees you _____ as He is.

If you accept this by faith and understand it, you can live and pray with authority.

3. _____

John 17:20-23

Verse 23 reveals our union with God. It also tells us that the Father loves us as much as He loves Jesus.

If you will accept this by faith, there is nothing that will stop you from living in authority over the devil.

God is your Father. He is not more of a Father to Jesus than to you. He is Jesus' Father and He is your Father.

Jesus is your righteousness. That is your standing with God. Jesus and you have the same right standing with the Father.

4. _____

Luke 10:19 *Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.*

Matthew 28:18

Jesus took authority that was given to Him from the Father and He gave it to the church. Jesus is seated at the right hand of the Father.

Ephesians 1:20

We are _____

Ephesians 2:6

The place we are seated is a place of authority.

Ephesians 1:21

This is where Christ is seated. This is where we are seated with Him. This gives us a New Covenant position of authority.

The New Covenant gives us the right and ability to _____

Mark 16:17

Philippians 2:9, 10

The name of Jesus is the authority of the believer.