



GOD'S GREATEST GIFTS: HIS BLESSING

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Text: Deuteronomy 11:10-25



Introduction: For the past several weeks we have reflected upon **James 1:17**. The Lord's brother says that God's gifts are good and perfect. Today, we are going to conclude our study by considering another one of God's greatest gifts: His Blessing. The beginning of a new year always brings an opportunity for a new beginning. Before they crossed into the Promised Land, Moses reminded the children of Israel of God's care for them as they began their new life. He gave them His blessing. What does His blessing mean? How can appreciating God's blessings give us a renewed purpose in this New Year? Let's study together

Discussion:

I. God's Blessings Are His Special Gifts

- A. *God blesses us with His provision (Deuteronomy 11:11).*
- B. *God blesses us with His presence (Deuteronomy 11:12).*
- C. *God blesses us with His promise (Deuteronomy 11:13-15).*
- D. *God blesses us with His precepts (Deuteronomy 11:16-21).*
- E. *God blesses us with His protection (Deuteronomy 11:22-25).*

II. God's Blessings Are A Sign of His Goodness

- A. *God is the Giver of all good gifts.*
James 1:17, Ephesians 1:3.
- B. *Consider five great examples of men that experienced God's Goodness*
 1. *Joseph (Genesis)*
 2. *Moses (Exodus)*
 3. *David (I & II Samuel)*
 4. *Jesus (The Gospels)*
 5. *Paul (Acts)*
- C. *If we study these five examples we will further signs of God's goodness.*

III. God's Blessings Are Perfect For Meeting Our Needs

- A. *God is the Giver of all perfect gifts.*
James 1:17, James 1:4
- B. *To receive God's blessing we must do five things*
 1. *Change Your Attitude (Mark 12:30)*
 2. *Change Your Altitude (Luke 12:34)*
 3. *Re-establish Your Gratitude (Philippians 4:4)*
 4. *Renew Your Servitude (Mark 12:30)*
 5. *Revive Your Fortitude (Romans 12:1-2)*
- C. *If we do these five things we are assured that God will meet our needs.*

Conclusion: As we embark on this New Year let's see it as a year of opportunity and new beginning. We need to cross over with God's blessing. Let's make 2010 the year that God took control of His church. Let's completely surrender to His will. And then we will receive His blessing!

WORD OF THE DAY = "BLESSING"