

## GOD WANTS YOU BLESSED

### 2 Keys To Enjoying A Blessed Existence

**Intro:** If God doesn't want His people living under the curse why are some?

#### I. Many don't speak up and stand against the curse in their lives

- A. The curse doesn't belong in your house-Pr3:33-The curse of the Lord is in the house of the wicked: but he blesses the habitation of the just
- B. As a believer being made righteous by faith, I'm now legally a redeemed one, a blessed one and you can't legally put the curse on a redeemed one  
**Ga3:9-KJ**-They which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham-**13-GW**-Christ paid the price to free us from the curse-**Ep1:7**-In whom we have redemption through is blood;  
**Nm23:8**-How shall I (Balaam) curse, whom God hath not cursed?
- C. You must to speak up and stand against the curse-Acts22:24-The chief captain commanded him to be brought into the castle, and bade that he should be examined by **scourging**; that he might know wherefore they cried so against him. <sup>25</sup> And as they bound him with thongs, Paul said unto the centurion that stood by, **Is it lawful for you to scourge a man that is a Roman, and uncondemned?** <sup>26</sup> When the centurion heard that, he went and told the chief captain, saying, Take heed what thou doest: for this man is a Roman. <sup>27</sup> Then the chief captain came, and said unto him, Tell me, art thou a Roman? He said, Yea. <sup>28</sup> And the chief captain answered, With a great sum obtained I this freedom. And Paul said, But I was free born. <sup>29</sup> Then straightway they departed from him which should have examined him: and the chief captain also was afraid, after he knew that he was a Roman, and because he had bound him. <sup>30</sup> On the morrow, because he would have known the certainty wherefore he was accused of the Jews, he loosed him from his bands, and commanded the chief priests and all their council to appear, and brought Paul down, and set him before them; **Ph3:20-CEV**-But we are citizens of heaven

#### II. To enjoy a blessed existence you must honor God-1Sm2:30-CEB-I honor those who honor me, and whoever despises me will be cursed.

- A. Honor-God and His things are important to you so you treat Him/His things with a great deal of respect; He is first, you give Him your best
- B. Many want the full measure of God's blessing without giving Him honor-They want to run their own lives, not put God first, not Give God their best, not treat His things with respect but they want the full measure of His blessing-**Mal:6**-If then I be a father, **where is my honor?** <sup>7</sup>Ye offer polluted bread upon my altar...<sup>8</sup> And if ye offer the blind for sacrifice, is it not evil? And if ye offer the lame and sick, is it not evil...**TL**-God have mercy on us, you recite; God be gracious to us! But when you bring that kind of gift, why should he show you any favor at all?<sup>1</sup>...This commandment is for you. <sup>2</sup> If ye will not hear and if ye will not lay it to heart, to give glory (honor) unto my name says the Lord of hosts, I will even send a **curse** upon you and I will **curse** your blessings
- C. Many believe the lie of blessing without honor: I'll enjoy His blessing independent of MY honor for Him and solely based on HIS love for me-Being able to do whatever you want and still get God's blessing is a very convenient idea and it's one that many want to believe is true
- D. The blessed life is built on a foundation of honor-Is58:13-If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honourable; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words: <sup>14</sup> Then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father; **Hag1:2**-This people say, The time is not come, the time that **the Lord's house** should be built.<sup>4</sup>Is it time for you, O ye, to dwell in **your cieled houses**, and this house lie waste? <sup>5</sup>Consider **your ways**.<sup>6</sup>Ye have sown much, and **bring in little**; ye eat, but ye have **not enough**; ye drink, but ye are **not filled** with drink; ye clothe you, but there is **none warm**; and he that earns wages earns wages to put it into a bag with holes.<sup>7</sup>Consider **your ways**.<sup>8</sup>Go up to the mountain, and bring wood, and build the house; and I will take pleasure in it, and **I will be glorified** (honored)