

The Blessings of God are for those who are Sanctified

The blessings of God are given as gifts of His grace to those who become His dear children through Christ. They are to inherit His blessing. God is light; there is absolutely no darkness or sin in Him. (*I John 1:5*) All His blessings are “light blessings.” They absolutely will not come upon spiritual darkness. The reason is that darkness is ruled by Satan who opposes God. God will never bless Satan. *Acts 26:18* declares, “To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.” Those who accept Jesus Christ Lord of their lives must be turned from darkness to light to inherit the blessings already prepared for an abundant life in Christ.

Before Christ, our heart contained and were dominated by natural thoughts, wicked imaginations, sinful desires and wicked ways. This is spiritual darkness and must be removed for our rightful blessings to flow to us. Their removal is by God’s process of sanctification. Sanctification is performed by His word. His word is light and when it enters our hearts, all darkness leaves. *Psalms 119:130* declares, “The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.”

St. John 17:17 declares, “Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. The Holy Spirit guides us into all truth. *St. John 16:13* declares, “Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come; He will guide you into all truth; he shall not speak of Himself, but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will show you things to come.” God’s truth is our Faith. Remember, we are sanctified by Faith that is in Christ. We are to walk by faith to be cleansed. Walking by Faith means having God’s dominion Thoughts that are in truth living inside our hearts and controlling our thinking, speaking and behavior at all times. His Thoughts now become our new thinking about life, no longer our old thought patterns. (*II Corinthians 5:7*)

We are to keep our minds focused on the dominion light Thoughts that God has given us through His spoken words. We must meditate upon them both day and night for deliverance. *Psalms 1:1-2* declare, “Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law doth he meditate day and night.”

Being armed with light truth, no dark challenge that occurs in our lives will last. The reason is that challenges from Satan are in darkness and our hearts are filled with light. God’s light word empowers us to look above the challenge, endure it and overcome it. We remain connected to God through His light Thoughts. From this thought connection comes the eternal strength of God that is released and flows into our heart, strengthening us. This always guarantees us the victory over challenging circumstances and our inheritance of blessings. God Bless.

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