



The Christmas Blessing

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WHAT DOES MEAN TO BE BLESSED?



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1. THE BLESSING
UPON MANKIND



ABRAHAM

2. THE BLESSING
OF ABRAHAM



CHRIST

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Right from the beginning
We were created to be blessed

Genesis 1:27-28

²⁷ So God **created** man in His own image; in the image of God He **created** him; male and female He **created** them.

²⁸ Then God **blessed** them, and God said to them, “Be **fruitful** and **multiply**; **fill** the earth and **subdue** it; have **dominion** over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

2. THE BLESSING OF ABRAHAM



Genesis 12:1-3

¹ Now the LORD had said to Abram:

“Get out of your country,
From your family
And from your father’s house,
To a land that I will show you.

² I will make you a great nation;
I will **ble**ss you
And make your name great;
And you shall be a **ble**ssing.

³ I will **ble**ss**** those who **ble**ss**** you,
And I will curse him who curses you;
And in you **all the families** of the **earth** shall
be **ble**ss**ed**."

Genesis 22:17-18

¹⁷ **blessing** I will **ble**ss you, and **multi**plying I will **multi**ply your descendants as the stars of the heaven and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your descendants shall possess the gate of their enemies.

¹⁸ In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be **blessed**, **because you have obeyed My voice.**"

3. THE BLESSING IN CHRIST



Galatians 3:5-9

⁵ Therefore He who supplies the Spirit to you and works miracles among you, *does He do it* by the works of the law, or by the hearing of **faith**?—

⁶ just as Abraham “**believed** God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.”

⁷ Therefore know that *only* those who are of **faith** are sons of Abraham.

⁸ And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would **justify** the Gentiles by **faith**, preached the **gospel** to **Abraham** beforehand, *saying*, “In you all the nations shall be **blessed**.”

⁹ So then those who *are* of **faith** are **blessed** with believing **Abraham**.

Galatians 3:10-14

¹⁰ For as many as are of the works of the law are under the **curse**; for it is written, "**Cursed** is everyone who does not continue in all things which are written in the book of the law, to do them."

¹¹ But that no one is **justified** by the law in the sight of God is evident, for "the **just** shall live by **faith**."

¹² Yet the law is not of faith, but “the man who does them shall live by them.”

¹³ **Christ** has **redeemed** us from the **curse of the law**, having become a **curse** for us (for it is written, “**Cursed** is everyone who **hangs on a tree**”),

¹⁴ that the **blessing** of **Abraham** might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the **promise** of the **Spirit** through **faith**.

John 1:10-14

¹⁰ He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him.

¹¹ He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him.

¹² But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:

¹³ who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

¹⁴ And the **Word** became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

Ephesians 1:3-5

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has **blessed us** with every spiritual **blessing** in the heavenly places **in Christ**,

⁴ just as He **chose us** in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be **holy** and **without blame** before **Him in love**,

⁵ having **predestined** us to **adoption as sons** by **Jesus Christ to Himself**, according to the good pleasure of **His will**, ⁶ to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He made us **accepted in the Beloved**.



SODOM



GOMORRAH



ADMAH



ZEBOIIM



BELA



SHINAR



ELLASAR



ELAM



NATIONS

Genesis 14:18-20

¹⁸ Then **Melchizedek** king of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was the **priest of God** Most High.

¹⁹ And he **blessed** him and said:

“**Blessed** be Abram of God Most High,
Possessor of heaven and earth;

²⁰ And **blessed** be God Most High,
Who has delivered your enemies into your hand.”

PRIEST AFTER ORDER OF MELCHIZEDEK

- **Melchizedek** means **King of Righteousness**
- **Melchi** = King
- **Zedek** = Righteousness
- **JESUS** is the **KING-PRIEST**



Revelation 20:17-18

⁶ **Blessed** and holy is he who has part in the **first resurrection**. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be **priests** of God and of Christ, and shall **reign** with Him a thousand years.

To be blessed

- **Accepted**
- The right to **become** children of God
- **Chosen**
- **Delivered** from our enemies (sin, self, Satan). The last enemy is death. The second death has no power.
- **Redeemed** from the curse of the Law
- **Kings** and **Priests** unto God, **separated** unto holiness

Conclusion

1. By **Faith** in Christ (Gal 3:14)
2. By **Obedience** to God's Voice (Gen 22:18)