

## **The Tsunami Blessing: Inside and Out, Part 37**

**God already commanded His blessing upon you. It is the spoken word from His heart that is so enforceable that it is impossible for the blessing to have an enemy at all, not even the curse. The blessing shall flow as far as the curse is found.**

**The Lord is simply looking for your complete endorsement. That fully activates the fullness of the blessing in every area of your life.**

**God Only Has Blessing on His Mind and in His Heart for you**

### **Adam and Eve**

Genesis 1:26-31 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>26</sup>And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

<sup>27</sup>So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

<sup>28</sup>And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

<sup>29</sup>And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.

<sup>30</sup>And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life, I have given every green herb for meat: and it was so.

<sup>31</sup>And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

## **Abraham**

Genesis 12:1-4 King James Version (KJV)

**12** Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:

<sup>2</sup>And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:

<sup>3</sup>And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

<sup>4</sup>So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.

Genesis 22:1-18 King James Version (KJV)

**22** And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am.

<sup>2</sup>And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.

<sup>3</sup>And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him.

<sup>4</sup>Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off.

<sup>5</sup>And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you.

<sup>6</sup>And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together.

<sup>7</sup>And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?

<sup>8</sup>And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering [unknowingly, Abraham foretells of Jesus' sacrifice]: so they went both of them together.

<sup>9</sup>And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood.

<sup>10</sup>And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son.

<sup>11</sup>And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here am I.

<sup>12</sup>And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me.

<sup>13</sup>And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son.

<sup>14</sup>And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovahjireh [The Lord will Provide]: as it is said to this day, In the mount of the LORD [CALVARY] it shall be seen.

<sup>15</sup>And the angel of the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time,

<sup>16</sup>And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son:

<sup>17</sup>That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies;

<sup>18</sup>And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.

Genesis 25:4-6 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>4</sup>And the sons of Midian [exempt from receiving the inheritance]; Ephah, and Ephher, and Hanoch, and Abidah, and Eldaah. All these were the children of Keturah.

<sup>5</sup>And Abraham gave all that he had unto Isaac.

<sup>6</sup>But unto the sons of the concubines, which Abraham had, Abraham gave gifts, and sent them away from Isaac his son, while he yet lived, eastward, unto the east country.

### **Isaac was sown as a seed to empower God to bring Jesus to earth**

Genesis 22:14 The Message (MSG)

<sup>14</sup>Abraham named that place GOD-Yireh (GOD-Sees-to-It). That's where we get the saying, "On the mountain of GOD, he sees to it."

### **Jesus**

Romans 8:32 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>32</sup>He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

Romans 8:31-33 The Passion Translation (TPT)

The Triumph of God's Love

<sup>31</sup>So, what does all this mean? If God has determined to stand with us, tell me, who then could ever stand against us? <sup>32</sup>For God has proved his love by giving us his greatest treasure, the gift of his Son. And since God freely offered him up as the sacrifice for us all,<sup>[a]</sup> he certainly won't withhold from us anything else he has to give.

<sup>33</sup>Who then would dare to accuse those whom God has chosen in love to be his? God himself is the judge who has issued his final verdict over them— "Not guilty!"<sup>[b]</sup>

#### **Footnotes:**

- a. [Romans 8:32](#) This is an intentional echo of Gen. [22:16](#). Although God spared Abraham's son, Isaac, he would not spare his own Son, Jesus Christ.
- b. [Romans 8:33](#) See Isa. [50:8](#).

John 3:16 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>16</sup>For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

### **There is no more exclusion to receiving our God-given inheritance**

Acts 3:24-26 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>24</sup>Indeed, all the prophets from Samuel and those who came afterwards, as many as have spoken, also promised *and* foretold *and* proclaimed these days.

<sup>25</sup>You are the descendants (sons) of the prophets and the heirs of the covenant which God made *and* gave to your forefathers, saying to Abraham, And in your Seed (Heir) shall all the families of the earth be blessed *and* benefited.

<sup>26</sup>It was to you first that God sent His Servant *and* Son *Jesus*, when He raised Him up [<sup>a</sup>provided and gave Him for us], to bless you in turning every one of you from your wickedness *and* evil ways.

#### **Footnotes:**

- a. [Acts 3:26](#) Robert Jamieson, A.R. Fausett and David Brown, *A Commentary on the Old and New Testaments*.

Ephesians 1:3 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings [supernatural disposition] in heavenly places in Christ:

### **The Blessing is to Bless God as well as All Others**

**Bless – Releaser – *barak* – to invoke God to bless; make prosperous**

Numbers 6:22-27 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>22</sup>And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

<sup>23</sup>Speak unto Aaron and unto his sons, saying, On this wise ye shall bless the children of Israel, saying unto them,

<sup>24</sup>The LORD bless thee, and keep thee:

<sup>25</sup>The LORD make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee:

<sup>26</sup>The LORD lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

<sup>27</sup>And they shall put my name upon the children of Israel, and I will bless them.

**Blessed – Receiver – *ashar* – very happy; receiver of good fortune; advance or prosper**

Deuteronomy 28:1-14 King James Version (KJV)

**28** And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth:

<sup>2</sup>And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.

<sup>3</sup>Blessed shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field.

<sup>4</sup>Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.

<sup>5</sup>Blessed shall be thy basket and thy store.

<sup>6</sup>Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out.

<sup>7</sup>The LORD shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways.

<sup>8</sup>The LORD shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses, and in all that thou settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

<sup>9</sup>The LORD shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, and walk in his ways.

<sup>10</sup>And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the LORD; and they shall be afraid of thee.

<sup>11</sup>And the LORD shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers to give thee.

<sup>12</sup>The LORD shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow.

<sup>13</sup>And the LORD shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou hearken unto the commandments of the LORD thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do them:

<sup>14</sup>And thou shalt not go aside from any of the words which I command thee this day, to the right hand, or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.

**Blessing – Reproducer - *Berakah* – It is God’s voice-activated endorsement that tangibly enriches every part of your life.**

Proverbs 10:22 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>22</sup>The blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it.

Genesis 24:1 King James Version (KJV)

**24** And Abraham was old, and well stricken in age: and the LORD had blessed Abraham in all things.

Genesis 24:1 The Voice (VOICE)

**24** Abraham was now very old. He had seen many years come and go. The Eternal One had blessed his life in every *imaginable* way.

**Abraham’s ancestry served and sold idols when God called him**

Joshua 24:2-4 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>2</sup>And Joshua said unto all the people, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Your fathers dwelt on the other side of the flood in old time, even Terah, the father of Abraham, and the father of Nachor: and they served other gods.

<sup>3</sup>And I took your father Abraham from the other side of the flood, and led him throughout all the land of Canaan, and multiplied his seed, and gave him Isaac.

<sup>4</sup>And I gave unto Isaac Jacob and Esau: and I gave unto Esau mount Seir, to possess it; but Jacob and his children went down into Egypt.

Proverbs 26:2 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>2</sup>As the bird by wandering, as the swallow by flying, so the curse causeless shall not come.

Proverbs 26:2 Living Bible (TLB)

<sup>2</sup>An undeserved curse has no effect. Its intended victim will be no more harmed by it than by a sparrow or swallow flitting through the sky.

Proverbs 26:2 Wycliffe Bible (WYC)

<sup>2</sup>For as a bird flying over to high things, and as a sparrow going into uncertain; so cursing brought forth without reasonable cause shall come above into some man. (Like a bird flying over to high places, and *like* a sparrow going into uncertainty; so cursing brought forth without a reasonable cause, shall simply go over someone, *and not touch them.*)

Isaiah 41 Living Bible (TLB)

**41** Listen in silence before me, O lands beyond the sea. Bring your strongest arguments. Come now and speak. The court is ready for your case.

<sup>2</sup>Who has stirred up this one from the east,<sup>[a]</sup> whom victory meets at every step? Who, indeed, but the Lord? God has given him victory over many nations and permitted him to trample kings underfoot and to put entire



armies to the sword. <sup>3</sup>He chases them away and goes on safely, though the paths he treads are new. <sup>4</sup>Who has done such mighty deeds, directing the affairs of generations of mankind as they march by? It is I, the Lord, the First and Last; I alone am he.

<sup>5</sup>The lands beyond the sea watch in fear and wait for word of Cyrus's<sup>[b]</sup> new campaigns. Remote lands tremble and mobilize for war. <sup>6-7</sup>The craftsmen encourage each other as they rush to make new idols to protect them. The carver hurries the goldsmith, and the molder helps at the anvil. "Good," they say. "It's coming along fine. Now we can solder on the arms." Carefully they join the parts together and then fasten the thing in place so it won't fall over!

<sup>8</sup>But as for you, O Israel, you are mine, my chosen ones; for you are Abraham's family, and he was my friend. <sup>9</sup>I have called you back from the ends of the earth and said that you must serve but me alone, for I have chosen you and will not throw you away. <sup>10</sup>Fear not, for I am with you. Do not be dismayed. I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.<sup>[c]</sup>

<sup>11</sup>See, all your angry enemies lie confused and shattered. Anyone opposing you will die. <sup>12</sup>You will look for them in vain—they will all be gone. <sup>13</sup>I am holding you by your right hand—I, the Lord your God—and I say to you, Don't be afraid; I am here to help you. <sup>14</sup>Despised though you are, fear not, O Israel; for I will help you. I am the Lord, your Redeemer; I am the Holy One of Israel. <sup>15</sup>You shall be a new and sharp-toothed threshing instrument to tear all enemies apart, making chaff of mountains. <sup>16</sup>You shall toss them in the air; the wind shall blow them all away; whirlwinds shall scatter them. And the joy of the Lord shall fill you full; you shall glory in the God of Israel.

<sup>17</sup>When the poor and needy seek water and there is none, and their tongues are parched from thirst, then I will answer when they cry to me. I, Israel's God, will never forsake them. <sup>18</sup>I will open up rivers for them on high plateaus! I will give them fountains of water in the valleys! In the deserts will be pools of water, and rivers fed by springs shall flow across the dry, parched ground. <sup>19</sup>I will plant trees—cedars, myrtle, olive trees, cypress, fir, and pine—on barren land. <sup>20</sup>Everyone will see this miracle and understand that it is God who did it, Israel's Holy One.

<sup>21</sup>Can your idols make such claims as these? Let them come and show what they can do, says God, the King of Israel. <sup>22</sup>Let them try to tell us what occurred in years gone by or what the future holds. <sup>23</sup>Yes, that's it! If you are gods, tell what will happen in the days ahead! Or do some mighty miracle that makes us stare, amazed. <sup>24</sup>But no! You are less than nothing and can do nothing at all. Anyone who chooses you needs to have his head examined!

<sup>25</sup>But I have stirred up Cyrus from the north and east; he will come against the nations and call on my name, and I will give him victory over kings and princes. He will tread them as a potter tramples clay.

<sup>26</sup>Who but I have told you this would happen? Who else predicted this, making you admit that he was right? No one else! None other said one word! <sup>27</sup>I was the first to tell Jerusalem, "Look! Look! Help is on the way!" <sup>28</sup>Not one of your idols told you this. Not one gave any answer when I asked. <sup>29</sup>See, they are all foolish, worthless things; your idols are all as empty as the wind.

**Footnotes:**

- a. [Isaiah 41:2](#) *this one from the east*. Doubtless Cyrus the Great of Persia; see [44:28](#).
- b. [Isaiah 41:5](#) *Cyrus's*, implied from [45:1](#).
- c. [Isaiah 41:10](#) *with my victorious right hand*, or "with the right hand of my righteousness."

**Your Choices Rule Your World, not God's Choice: You choose to receive the blessing or the curse**

Genesis 2:1-17 King James Version (KJV)

**2** Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.

<sup>2</sup>And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.

<sup>3</sup>And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.

<sup>4</sup>These are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens,

<sup>5</sup>And every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew: for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was not a man to till the ground.

<sup>6</sup>But there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground.

<sup>7</sup>And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

<sup>8</sup>And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed.

<sup>9</sup>And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

<sup>10</sup>And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads.

<sup>11</sup>The name of the first is Pison: that is it which compasseth the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold;

<sup>12</sup>And the gold of that land is good: there is bdellium and the onyx stone.

<sup>13</sup>And the name of the second river is Gihon: the same is it that compasseth the whole land of Ethiopia.

<sup>14</sup>And the name of the third river is Hiddekel: that is it which goeth toward the east of Assyria. And the fourth river is Euphrates.

<sup>15</sup>And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.

<sup>16</sup>And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat:

<sup>17</sup>But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

## Deuteronomy 30 Living Bible (TLB)

**30** "When all these things have happened to you—the blessings and the curses I have listed—you will meditate upon them as you are living among the nations where the Lord your God will have driven you. <sup>2</sup>If at that time you want to return to the Lord your God, and you and your children have begun wholeheartedly to obey all of the commandments I have given you today, <sup>3</sup>then the Lord your God will rescue you from your captivity! He will have mercy upon you and come and gather you out of all the nations where he will have scattered you. <sup>4</sup>Though you are at the ends of the earth, he will go and find you and bring you back again <sup>5</sup>to the land of your ancestors. You shall possess the land again, and he will do you good and bless you even more than he did your ancestors! <sup>6</sup>He will cleanse your hearts and the hearts of your children and of your children's children so that you will love the Lord your God with all your hearts and souls, and Israel shall come alive again!

<sup>7-8</sup>"If you return to the Lord and obey all the commandments that I command you today, the Lord your God will take his curses and turn them against your enemies—against those who hate you and persecute you. <sup>9</sup>The Lord your God will prosper everything you do and give you many children and much cattle and wonderful crops; for the Lord will again rejoice over you as he did over your fathers. <sup>10</sup>He will rejoice if you but obey the commandments written in this book of the law, and if you turn to the Lord your God with all your hearts and souls.

<sup>11</sup>"Obeying these commandments is not something beyond your strength and reach; <sup>12</sup>for these laws are not in the far heavens, so distant that you can't hear and obey them, and with no one to bring them down to you; <sup>13</sup>nor are they beyond the ocean, so far that no one can bring you their message; <sup>14</sup>but they are very close at hand—in your hearts and on your lips—so obey them.

<sup>15</sup>"Look, today I have set before you life and death, depending on whether you obey or disobey. <sup>16</sup>I have commanded you today to love the Lord your God and to follow his paths and to keep his laws, so that you will live and become a great nation, and so that the Lord your God will bless you and the land you are about to possess. <sup>17</sup>But if your hearts turn away and you won't listen—if you are drawn away to worship other gods— <sup>18</sup>then I declare to you

this day that you shall surely perish; you will not have a long, good life in the land you are going in to possess.

<sup>19</sup>“I call heaven and earth to witness against you that today I have set before you life or death, blessing or curse. Oh, that you would choose life; that you and your children might live! <sup>20</sup>Choose to love the Lord your God and to obey him and to cling to him, for he is your life and the length of your days. You will then be able to live safely in the land the Lord promised your ancestors, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.”

Genesis 18:17-19 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>17</sup>And the LORD said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do;

<sup>18</sup>Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?

<sup>19</sup>For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.

Psalms 25:12-14 Living Bible (TLB)

<sup>12</sup>Where is the man who fears the Lord? God will teach him how to choose the best.

<sup>13</sup>He shall live within God's circle of blessing, and his children shall inherit the earth.

<sup>14</sup>Friendship with God is reserved for those who reverence him. With them alone he shares the secrets of his promises.

**Each time you bless the Lord, He is empowered to prosper in the earth. You bless God with both your words and your works. Together, they demonstrate your worship to God.**

**Your Command Center**

Deuteronomy 5:29 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>29</sup>O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children forever!

Proverbs 15:4 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>4</sup>A wholesome tongue is a tree of life: but perverseness therein is a breach in the spirit.

Perverseness means self-defeating; cranky; or stubbornly unreasonable.

Matthew 12:34 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>34</sup>O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

Luke 6:45 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>45</sup>A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh.

Romans 10:10 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>10</sup>For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

1 Samuel 2:1 King James Version (KJV)

**2** And Hannah prayed, and said, My heart rejoiceth in the LORD, mine horn is exalted in the LORD: my mouth is enlarged over mine enemies; because I rejoice in thy salvation.

Psalms 16 King James Version (KJV)

**16** Preserve me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust.

<sup>2</sup>O my soul, thou hast said unto the LORD, Thou art my Lord: my goodness extendeth not to thee;

<sup>3</sup>But to the saints that are in the earth, and to the excellent, in whom is all my delight.

<sup>4</sup>Their sorrows shall be multiplied that hasten after another god: their drink offerings of blood will I not offer, nor take up their names into my lips.

<sup>5</sup>The LORD is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou maintainest my lot.

<sup>6</sup>The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage.

<sup>7</sup>I will bless the LORD, who hath given me counsel: my reins also instruct me in the night seasons.

<sup>8</sup>I have set the LORD always before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

<sup>9</sup>Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope.

<sup>10</sup>For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

<sup>11</sup>Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

Psalm 34 King James Version (KJV)

**34** I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

<sup>2</sup>My soul shall make her boast in the LORD: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.

<sup>3</sup>O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.

<sup>4</sup>I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.

<sup>5</sup>They looked unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.

<sup>6</sup>This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles.

<sup>7</sup>The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.

<sup>8</sup>O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

<sup>9</sup>O fear the LORD, ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him.

<sup>10</sup>The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the LORD shall not want any good thing.

<sup>11</sup>Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

<sup>12</sup>What man is he that desireth life, and loveth many days, that he may see good?

<sup>13</sup>Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile.

<sup>14</sup>Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.

<sup>15</sup>The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry.

<sup>16</sup>The face of the LORD is against them that do evil, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.

<sup>17</sup>The righteous cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

<sup>18</sup>The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

<sup>19</sup>Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.

<sup>20</sup>He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken.

<sup>21</sup>Evil shall slay the wicked: and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.

<sup>22</sup>The LORD redeemeth the soul of his servants: and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate.

Psalm 145 King James Version (KJV)

**145** I will extol thee, my God, O king; and I will bless thy name for ever and ever.

<sup>2</sup>Every day will I bless thee; and I will praise thy name for ever and ever.

<sup>3</sup>Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; and his greatness is unsearchable.



<sup>4</sup>One generation shall praise thy works to another, and shall declare thy mighty acts.

<sup>5</sup>I will speak of the glorious honour of thy majesty, and of thy wondrous works.

<sup>6</sup>And men shall speak of the might of thy terrible acts: and I will declare thy greatness.

<sup>7</sup>They shall abundantly utter the memory of thy great goodness, and shall sing of thy righteousness.

<sup>8</sup>The LORD is gracious, and full of compassion; slow to anger, and of great mercy.

<sup>9</sup>The LORD is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works.

<sup>10</sup>All thy works shall praise thee, O LORD; and thy saints shall bless thee.

<sup>11</sup>They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom, and talk of thy power;

<sup>12</sup>To make known to the sons of men his mighty acts, and the glorious majesty of his kingdom.

<sup>13</sup>Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion endureth throughout all generations.

<sup>14</sup>The LORD upholdeth all that fall, and raiseth up all those that be bowed down.

<sup>15</sup>The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season.

<sup>16</sup>Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

<sup>17</sup>The LORD is righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works.

<sup>18</sup>The LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth.

<sup>19</sup>He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him: he also will hear their cry, and will save them.

<sup>20</sup>The LORD preserveth all them that love him: but all the wicked will he destroy.

<sup>21</sup> My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD: and let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever.

### **Your foundation of faith rests in who you follow**

Isaiah 51:1-3 King James Version (KJV)

**51** Hearken to me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the LORD: look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged.

<sup>2</sup> Look unto Abraham your father, and unto Sarah that bare you: for I called him alone, and blessed him, and increased him.

<sup>3</sup> For the LORD shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody.

Galatians 3:7-10,13-15 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>7</sup> Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham.

<sup>8</sup> And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed.

<sup>9</sup> So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.

<sup>10</sup> For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them.

<sup>13</sup> Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

<sup>14</sup> That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

<sup>15</sup> Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; Though it be but a man's covenant, yet if it be confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto.

Galatians 3:7-10,13-15 Living Bible (TLB)

<sup>7</sup>You can see from this that the real children of Abraham are all the men of faith who truly trust in God.

<sup>8-9</sup>What's more, the Scriptures looked forward to this time when God would save the Gentiles also, through their faith. God told Abraham about this long ago when he said, "I will bless those in every nation who trust in me as you do." And so it is: all who trust in Christ share the same blessing Abraham received.

<sup>10</sup>Yes, and those who depend on the Jewish laws to save them are under God's curse, for the Scriptures point out very clearly, "Cursed is everyone who at any time breaks a single one of these laws that are written in God's Book of the Law."

<sup>13</sup>But Christ has bought us out from under the doom of that impossible system by taking the curse for our wrongdoing upon himself. For it is written in the Scripture, "Anyone who is hanged on a tree is cursed" (as Jesus was hung upon a wooden cross<sup>[a]</sup>).

<sup>14</sup>Now God can bless the Gentiles, too, with this same blessing he promised to Abraham; and all of us as Christians can have the promised Holy Spirit through this faith.

<sup>15</sup>Dear brothers, even in everyday life a promise made by one man to another, if it is written down and signed, cannot be changed. He cannot decide afterward to do something else instead.

James 2:18, 20, 22-24 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>18</sup>Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.

<sup>20</sup>But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

<sup>22</sup>Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?

<sup>23</sup>And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God.

<sup>24</sup>Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.

### Hebrews 11:8-19 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>8</sup>By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.

<sup>9</sup>By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise:

<sup>10</sup>For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

<sup>11</sup>Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged him faithful who had promised.

<sup>12</sup>Therefore sprang there even of one, and him as good as dead, so many as the stars of the sky in multitude, and as the sand which is by the sea shore innumerable.

<sup>13</sup>These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.

<sup>14</sup>For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country.

<sup>15</sup>And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned.

<sup>16</sup>But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.

<sup>17</sup>By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son,

<sup>18</sup>Of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called:

<sup>19</sup>Accounting that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure.

#### Genesis 14:18-20 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>18</sup>And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high God.

<sup>19</sup>And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth:

<sup>20</sup>And blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all.

#### Romans 4:20-21 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>20</sup>He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God;

<sup>21</sup>And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.

#### 2 Chronicles 20:1-31 King James Version (KJV)

**20** It came to pass after this also, that the children of Moab, and the children of Ammon, and with them other beside the Ammonites, came against Jehoshaphat to battle.

<sup>2</sup>Then there came some that told Jehoshaphat, saying, There cometh a great multitude against thee from beyond the sea on this side Syria; and, behold, they be in Hazazontamar, which is Engedi.

<sup>3</sup>And Jehoshaphat feared, and set himself to seek the LORD, and proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah.

<sup>4</sup>And Judah gathered themselves together, to ask help of the LORD: even out of all the cities of Judah they came to seek the LORD.

<sup>5</sup>And Jehoshaphat stood in the congregation of Judah and Jerusalem, in the house of the LORD, before the new court,

<sup>6</sup>And said, O LORD God of our fathers, art not thou God in heaven? and rulest not thou over all the kingdoms of the heathen? and in thine hand is there not power and might, so that none is able to withstand thee?

<sup>7</sup>Art not thou our God, who didst drive out the inhabitants of this land before thy people Israel, and gavest it to the seed of Abraham thy friend for ever?

<sup>8</sup>And they dwelt therein, and have built thee a sanctuary therein for thy name, saying,

<sup>9</sup>If, when evil cometh upon us, as the sword, judgment, or pestilence, or famine, we stand before this house, and in thy presence, (for thy name is in this house,) and cry unto thee in our affliction, then thou wilt hear and help.

<sup>10</sup>And now, behold, the children of Ammon and Moab and mount Seir, whom thou wouldest not let Israel invade, when they came out of the land of Egypt, but they turned from them, and destroyed them not;

<sup>11</sup>Behold, I say, how they reward us, to come to cast us out of thy possession, which thou hast given us to inherit.

<sup>12</sup>O our God, wilt thou not judge them? for we have no might against this great company that cometh against us; neither know we what to do: but our eyes are upon thee.

<sup>13</sup>And all Judah stood before the LORD, with their little ones, their wives, and their children.

<sup>14</sup>Then upon Jahaziel the son of Zechariah, the son of Benaiah, the son of Jeiel, the son of Mattaniah, a Levite of the sons of Asaph, came the Spirit of the LORD in the midst of the congregation;

<sup>15</sup>And he said, Hearken ye, all Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem, and thou king Jehoshaphat, Thus saith the LORD unto you, Be not afraid nor dismayed by reason of this great multitude; for the battle is not yours, but God's.

<sup>16</sup>To morrow go ye down against them: behold, they come up by the cliff of Ziz; and ye shall find them at the end of the brook, before the wilderness of Jeruel.

<sup>17</sup>Ye shall not need to fight in this battle: set yourselves, stand ye still, and see the salvation of the LORD with you, O Judah and Jerusalem: fear not, nor be dismayed; to morrow go out against them: for the LORD will be with you.

<sup>18</sup>And Jehoshaphat bowed his head with his face to the ground: and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem fell before the LORD, worshipping the LORD.

<sup>19</sup>And the Levites, of the children of the Kohathites, and of the children of the Korhites, stood up to praise the LORD God of Israel with a loud voice on high.

<sup>20</sup>And they rose early in the morning, and went forth into the wilderness of Tekoa: and as they went forth, Jehoshaphat stood and said, Hear me, O Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem; Believe in the LORD your God, so shall ye be established; believe his prophets, so shall ye prosper.

<sup>21</sup>And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers unto the LORD, and that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army, and to say, Praise the LORD; for his mercy endureth for ever.

<sup>22</sup>And when they began to sing and to praise, the LORD set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which were come against Judah; and they were smitten.

<sup>23</sup>For the children of Ammon and Moab stood up against the inhabitants of mount Seir, utterly to slay and destroy them: and when they had made an end of the inhabitants of Seir, every one helped to destroy another.

<sup>24</sup>And when Judah came toward the watch tower in the wilderness, they looked unto the multitude, and, behold, they were dead bodies fallen to the earth, and none escaped.

<sup>25</sup>And when Jehoshaphat and his people came to take away the spoil of them, they found among them in abundance both riches with the dead bodies, and precious jewels, which they stripped off for themselves, more than they could carry away: and they were three days in gathering of the spoil, it was so much.

<sup>26</sup>And on the fourth day they assembled themselves in the valley of Berachah; for there they blessed the LORD: therefore the name of the same place was called, The valley of Berachah, unto this day.

<sup>27</sup>Then they returned, every man of Judah and Jerusalem, and Jehoshaphat in the forefront of them, to go again to Jerusalem with joy; for the LORD had made them to rejoice over their enemies.

<sup>28</sup>And they came to Jerusalem with psalteries and harps and trumpets unto the house of the LORD.

<sup>29</sup>And the fear of God was on all the kingdoms of those countries, when they had heard that the LORD fought against the enemies of Israel.

<sup>30</sup>So the realm of Jehoshaphat was quiet: for his God gave him rest round about.

<sup>31</sup>And Jehoshaphat reigned over Judah: he was thirty and five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned twenty and five years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Azubah the daughter of Shilhi.