

## EPISODE: 400 TITLE: Blessed to Be a Blessing: Your Family on Mission

Part of the original covenant that God made with Abraham and his offspring (which now includes us in Christ) was that he would bless those who bless you... and the reverse is true too. When we bless others, God blesses us!

Here are three key things to believe and consider about living 'blessed to be a blessing'...

- 1. God is looking to pour his blessings into your life, and he desires that through you, others would be blessed. Even though the culture proclaims, *"Whoever dies with the most toys wins!"*, the truth is: a life lived seeking to bless others is the surest way to experience a never-ending flow of God's richest blessings in your own life! Test God in this practice of living a 'blessed to be a blessing' lifestyle. He is faithful to his promises.
- 2. Choosing to live as a conduit of God's grace and blessing is a beautiful picture of Jesus' life and ministry. While here, Jesus enjoyed his Father's favor and closeness, but we never saw him storing up treasures on earth. The richest blessing he gave to others was himself. Giving the gift of your time and presence as you seek to shoulder the pain and needs of others, is exactly what Jesus did with his life, death and resurrection.
- 3. There are no such things as "small blessings" when they flow from God, through us, to others! Make a list of ALL of the things you have in life, remembering, everything you have is a gift from God, not your own effort. Then ask the Holy Spirit to show you how to live as a conduit instead of a barrel. Who can you bless in either words, actions or a gift today... this week... next week? Ask God to show you who, how, and when. I *promise* he will show you!

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Thanks for listening... we'll see you in the next episode!

~Caesar