

How to be blessed

⁸ To this end:
everyone be harmonious,
sympathetic, loving as
brothers, empathetic,
deeply humble;

⁹ not repaying evil for evil,
nor insult for insult; but on
the contrary, blessing;
because you were
summoned to this, so that
you may inherit blessing.

¹⁰ Because, whoever
desires to love life and see
good days
must keep the tongue
from evil, and the lips
from deceitful speech.

¹¹ Turn away from evil,
and do good;
seek peace, and pursue it.

¹² Because the eyes of the
Lord are upon the
righteous, and His ears are
attuned to their prayer.

However, the face of the
Lord is against those who
do evil.

1 Peter 3:8-12, PLT

1. Blessed by being a blessing

I am blessed by what others
It is more blessed to give... Acts 20:35

I am blessed by what I
What I Philippians 3:13
What I Isaiah 2:4

2. Blessed on the of blessing

Blessing is my position
Come, let us reason... Isaiah 1:18-20

Blessing is my position
We are heirs... Romans 8:16-17
. into blessing
. for blessing

3. Blessed by blessing

The blessed life comes from my
what I say. James 1:26
what I say. Numbers 6:23-26

The blessed life comes from my
what I do. Galatians 6:4-5
what I do. Luke 11:28

The blessed life comes from my
Blessed are the... Matthew 5:9

4. Blessed by within blessing

The Lord blesses based on what He
1 Samuel 16:7. Hebrews 4:13

The Lord blesses based on what He
Psalm 66:17-20. 1 John 5:14

The Lord blesses based on what He
Psalm 139:1-6

My prayer priorities for the week beginning Sunday 16 May 2021

- S 16 Tony and Diane; Chris H. At church Bible study
- M 17 Elsie and Bert; Agnes
- T 18 Karen and Hung
- W 19 Sopi, Marieta, Jayden. Home Bible study
- T 20 Alison and Richard, Brian
- F 21 Bianca. Vi-Lay.
- S 22 André and Emma
- S 23 Aileen and George. Myanmar, Mission Prayer

Thought starters for personal reflection or group discussion

1. What is a blessing; how do you get blessed; how do you bless someone; and how do you know if you have been blessed?
2. Look at the five factors in v8. These would certainly bless the recipient, but how do they bless the giver?
3. The word “summoned” in v9b is legal, and military, terminology. What is the purpose of this summons; and why would God want to do that to us?
4. Look at v10a. What are some elements that enable you to love life; and how many of these elements do you need to have a good day?
5. Verses 9a, 10b, and 11a, all describe what not to do. How can not saying, and not doing, be a blessing to the non-giver and non-receiver?
6. This pathway of blessing leads to a statement about prayer, v12a. Look at the prayer in Ephesians 1:15-19a. What blessings are requested, and not requested? How do you pray down a blessing?

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