

7 August 2016

**God . . . . . to bless me. Genesis 9:1-7**

God blessed them. Genesis 9:1

Blessing releases me into . . . . .

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. Eph.1:3

Blessing restricts me with . . . . .

Blessed are the poor in spirit... those who grieve... Matt.5:3-10

**God's . . . . . to bless me. Genesis 9:8-11**

I now establish my covenant with you. Genesis 9:9

A covenant is not the same as a . . . . .

**God's . . . . . that He blesses me. Genesis 9:12-17**

This is the sign of My covenant with you. Genesis 9:12

Confirmation is . . . . . Confirmation is . . . . .

I was in spirit there in heaven and saw - oh, the glory of it! - a throne and One sitting on it! ...a rainbow encircled His throne. Revelation 4:2-3

**My . . . . . to use my blessing. Genesis 9:18-28**

They came out of the ark. Genesis 9:18

My actions have . . . . . Genesis 9:20-21

Blessings flow . . . . .

I will bless you... and you will be a blessing. Genesis 12:2

Blessings require . . . . .

To whom much is given, much is required. Luke 12:48

Blessings . . . . . to the giver

Give away your life; you'll find life given back... with bonus Luke 6:38

My relationships have . . . . . Genesis 9:20-28

**This week's prayer priorities**

Praise God because He is...

Thank God because He...

Ask God because He is...

**For personal reflection, or as discussion starters**

1. You have been blessed. List a few of your favourite blessings.
2. No one can earn God's blessing. What are some advantages of being blessed, even though we don't deserve His favour?
3. As we remember our blessings, what sorts of attitudes or responses should that generate within us?
4. Why do you think God would make a *Covenant of Blessing* with us, rather than a *Contract of Blessing*?
5. Why are each of these three principles of blessing important:
  - a. Blessings must flow through us. "I will bless you... and you will be a blessing" (Genesis 12:2)
  - b. Blessings require accountability. "Much is required from the one to whom much is given." (Luke 12:48)
  - c. Blessings return to the giver. "Give your life away, and it will be given back with bonus and blessing." (Luke 6:38)
6. God has blessed me with... I will use it to be a blessing by...

Watch it again: [www.lifechurchpanania.org](http://www.lifechurchpanania.org) [then select Full Screen]  
Give: **Name:** LifeChurch Panania, **BSB:** 704 922, **Account:** 005008757