A Cycle of Eternal Life

Shalom,

The blessing of the Lord makes rich, and He adds no sorrow with it. (Proverbs 10:22 ESV)

In this year of reading God's Word, we want to recognize the great importance of keeping our hearts and minds flowing with the things God says on a continual basis. The entrance of His Words into our lives brings light and life. Many Jewish people follow a schedule of reading the complete Torah, the first five books of the Bible, every year, and it is our desire that our weekly emails gather teaching from the scheduled portion, as well as from other scripture, to allow the Holy Spirit to teach us and to reveal the life-giving nature of the Living Word of God. During the last week of the schedule each year, when the last portion from Deuteronomy is read, the first portion from Genesis is immediately read and studied so the there is a **continuous cycle of study**. For those who study this way, not as a religious duty, but in sincere hunger and thirst for God's teaching and instruction, there is a continual growth in the spirit man and new blessings from day to day.

The final portion of the Torah is found in **Deuteronomy 33:1—34:12** and is called **V'zot Hab'rakhah** which is translated **"This is the blessing." Blessing** is a central theme of scripture, **and just as God spoke His blessing in the beginning** (Genesis), **He also assures us in the Book of Revelation that the blessing is His will for all eternity.**

Understanding the power of the blessing and learning to receive those words will open a wonderful flow of the will and power of God for those who will believe for it. Few people seem to understand what it means to be blessed. For many, the real intent that God has for blessing has been lost. The thief comes to steal, kill, and destroy, and it is the devil who causes confusion to the natural mind so that people won't believe the blessing of God's Words and receive the promised benefits. When one receives revelation from the Holy Spirit about **The Blessing**, then recognition of God's favor toward mankind will be opened and realized that every good and perfect gift flows from Him through His Word.

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with Whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. Of His own will He brought us forth by the Word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures. (James 1:17-18 ESV)

Blessing is a central message in scripture. It is the first thing that YHWH spoke to mankind.

And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." (Genesis 1:28 ESV)

How blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they have the right to eat from the Tree of Life and go through the gates into the city! (Revelation 22:14 CJB)

For in Him all the promises of God are "Yes." Therefore also through Him is the "Amen" by us, to the glory of God. (2 Corinthians 1:20 TLV)

God wills to bless! God wills for His people to receive His blessing by trusting what He has said. We appropriate what He has promised by believing it. We show that trust not only by believing His Word in our hearts, but also by activating that faith by saying His Words with our mouths.

Moses was instructed to deliver his last words to the people of Israel and was inspired by the Holy Spirit to **speak blessing** over each of the tribes of Israel. They memorized the blessing and taught it to their children, knowing that those words had power in them to bring about the will of God as they believed for their fulfillment

As soon as the last portion is read and studied, our attention is brought to a complete circle of beginning the words of Instruction to keep the covenant Words of God, His foundational truths, forever in our hearts

In the first Torah portion found in *Genesis 1:1—6:8* and called *Bereishith*, which is translated "In the beginning," the Word of God teaches that God created all things, and in John 1:1, we are told that The Word of God created all things, and in Hebrews 1:3, that all creation continues to be upheld and maintained by the power of the Word, Who is Jesus the Messiah.

We are amazed at a perfect creation and confronted with the deadliness of wrong choices brought about through the foolishness of ignoring the instructions of God, choosing to walk in the flesh

The person without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God but considers them foolishness, and cannot understand them because they are discerned only through the Spirit. The person with the Spirit makes judgments about all things, but such a person is not subject to merely human judgments, for, "Who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ. (1 Corinthians 2:14-16 NIV)

And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. (Joshua 24:15 KJV)

We are often confronted with the choice to believe God and His Word completely or to take a little from the Bible and a little from the deceptions of this world. As we seek the revelation of the Spirit of the Lord, He directs our hearts and minds so that we can say, "I choose life! I will eat from the Tree of Life!"

Keeping my heart, Terry

With your ears you will hear a word from behind you: "This is the way; stay on it..." Isaiah 30:21 (CJB)

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