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## *A BLESSING AND A CURSE*

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**Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:  
they shall prosper that love thee.**

*Psalm 122: 6*

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**THE CURSING FOR CURSING, AS IT IS ALSO A PART OF GOD'S DEALINGS WITH MANKIND IN REFERENCE TO THEIR TREATMENT OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE. TODAY, AS IT HAS BEEN IN THE PAST, IN RESPECT TO THE LAND AND THE HOLY CITY OF JERUSALEM (SEE: PSALM 122: 6), THE BLESSING AND CURSING ALSO APPLY.**

**AND AS AN ADDED BONUS FROM GENESIS 12: 3, WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE WHOLE WIDE WORLD HAS THE AVAILABILITY OF BEING BLESSED BY AND THROUGH 'THE BLESSED ONE', Y'SHUA HA-MASSHIACH ADONAI (THE LORD JESUS CHRIST).**

**John 1:12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:**

**1:13 Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.**

**1:14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.**

**SHALOM ALECHEM (PEACE UNTO YOU)**

**IN THE PRECIOUS NAME OF Y'SHUA OUR LORD**

**Galatians 4:4 But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,**

**4:5 To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons**

THE GOD-SON WHOM WE KNOW TO BE, JESUS OF NAZARETH, WOULD INDEED COME TO THIS WORLD TO BLESS 'ALL FAMILIES', IF ONLY THEY WOULD RECEIVE HIM AS LORD AND SAVIOUR OF THEIR LIVES.

**Romans 1:1 Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, separated unto the gospel of God,**

**1:2 (Which he had promised afore by his prophets in the holy scriptures,)**

**1:3 Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh;**

**1:4 And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead:**

IN CONCLUSION, WE SEE THAT THE BLESSING FOR BLESSING IS THERE, AS IS

## **A BLESSING AND A CURSE**

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WOULD IT SURPRISE YOU TO KNOW THAT THE WORD 'BLESSING' APPEARS '67' TIMES IN THE HOLY BIBLE, AND THE WORD 'CURSE' APPEARS '101' TIMES IN BOTH THE OLD AND THE NEW TESTAMENT!

'A BLESSING AND A CURSE' HAS TO DO WITH PRINCIPLES OF OBEDIENCE FOUND IN GENESIS 12: 3,

**'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'.**

THERE ARE 'THREE' MAJOR ISSUES THAT REVOLVE AROUND THIS PRECIOUS VERSE IN THE TORAH (THE LAW) OF GOD. FIRST AND FOREMOST WE MUST REALIZE THAT IT IS THE ALMIGHTY GOD THAT MAKES THESE THREE PRONOUNCEMENTS AND THEY DEAL PRIMARILY WITH FATHER ABRAHAM WHO IS THE PROGENITOR OF THE NATION OF ISRAEL (THE JEWISH PEOPLE).

**THERE ARE INDIVIDUALS AND NATIONS THAT**

**WILL BLESS ABRAHAM AND HIS SEED  
(ISRAEL)**

**ALSO, THERE ARE INDIVIDUALS AND  
NATIONS THAT WILL CURSE ABRAHAM AND  
HIS SEED (ISRAEL)**

**AND LASTLY, IN ABRAHAM AND HIS SEED  
(ISRAEL) SHALL 'ALL FAMILIES OF THE  
EARTH BE BLESSED'**

### **THE BLESSING**

**THE LORD HAS EXTENDED THIS GREAT  
BLESSED OPPORTUNITY TO EACH  
INDIVIDUAL AND NATION TO BE BLESSED;  
THUS, AS WE IN TURN THROUGH OUR  
WORDS AND DEEDS DEAL IN KINDNESS  
TOWARDS HIS CHOSEN PEOPLE (THE JEWS).  
THE BENEFITS AND REWARDS ARE FREELY  
GIVEN TO US AS WE IN OBEDIENCE PUT INTO  
PRACTICE THIS GOD GIVEN PRINCIPAL TO  
BLESS ABRAHAM AND HIS SEED (ISAAC,  
JACOB AND THEIR DESCENDANTS).**

**AS A MODERN DAY EXAMPLE, THE  
BLESSINGS THAT WE EXPERIENCE TODAY IN  
OUR OWN COUNTRY (THE UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA) IS A DIRECT RESULT OF TWO  
THINGS. FIRST OF ALL, AS OUR FLEDGLING  
NATION WAS BEING FOUNDED, MANY OF THE**

**and because he would keep the oath  
which he had sworn unto your fathers,  
hath the LORD brought you out with a  
mighty hand, and redeemed you out of  
the house of bondmen, from the hand  
of Pharaoh king of Egypt.**

**7:9 Know therefore that the LORD thy  
God, he is God, the faithful God, which  
keepeth covenant and mercy with them  
that love him and keep his  
commandments to a thousand  
generations;**

**7:10 And repayeth them that hate him  
to their face, to destroy them: he will  
not be slack to him that hateth him, he  
will repay him to his face.**

**SECONDLY, THE ALMIGHTY GOD PURPOSED  
TO BRING FORTH FROM THIS PEOPLE,  
CALLED THE JEWISH PEOPLE; FROM WHOM  
WOULD COME AND BRING THE BLESSING  
UPON THE FAMILIES OF THE EARTH IN THE  
PERSON OF THE MESSIAH OF ISRAEL, THE  
LORD JESUS CHRIST, BORN IN AND  
THROUGH THE SEED OF ABRAHAM, ISAAC  
AND JACOB. THE MESSIAH, THE ANOINTED  
ONE - THE CHRIST, AS HE CAME THROUGH  
THE TRIBE OF JUDAH, THE FOURTH BORN  
SON FROM JACOB'S LOINS.**

DEVASTATION IN ONE FORM OR ANOTHER.

**ALL FAMILIES OF THE EARTH ... BEING BLESSED**

NOW HOW EXACTLY CAN ALL FAMILIES OF THE EARTH BE BLESSED?

WE ARE SO GLAD YOU ASKED SUCH AN IMPORTANT QUESTION.

FIRST OF ALL, LET US REMEMBER ACCORDING TO THE SCRIPTURES THAT ABRAHAM AND HIS SEED DID NOT ASK THE LORD GOD TO BE HIS CHOSEN HOLY AND SPECIAL PEOPLE, BUT RATHER IT WAS GOD HIMSELF WHO CHOSE THEM AND SAID ACCORDING TO HIS WORD FOUND IN DEUTERONOMY 7: 6-10,

**7:6 For thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God: the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth.**

**7:7 The LORD did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people:**

**7:8 But because the LORD loved you,**

FOUNDING FATHERS EXERCISED THE BIBLICAL ADMONITION TO BLESS ISRAEL (THE JEWISH PEOPLE). PRESIDENT GEORGE WASHINGTON BEING ONE OF THE FIRST. IN THOSE YEARS LONG AGO HE SPOKE KINDLY TO INDIVIDUAL JEWS LIVING IN HIS DAY. THEREFORE, WE AS A NATION HAD A GOOD BIBLICAL BEGINNING IN REFERENCE TO OUR TEXT IN GENESIS 12: 3. DURING THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR, WE WERE BLESSED THROUGH THE LORD IN USING A JEWISH MAN BY THE NAME OF CHAIM SOLOMON WHO ALMOST SINGLEHANDED FINANCED THE WAR AGAINST BRITAIN.

SINCE THEN, THE MODERN DAY FORMATION OF THE NATION OF ISRAEL (1948), OUR NATION'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS THE JEWISH PEOPLE HAS BEEN AND CONTINUES TO BE SUPPORTIVE. THIS BEING JUST ONE OF MANY EXAMPLES IN OUR HISTORY OF A PEOPLE THAT HAS AND IS BEING BLESSED BECAUSE OF OUR OBEDIENCE TO THE BIBLICAL INJUNCTION FOUND IN OUR BLESSED TEXT.

SECONDLY, YOU AND I AS INDIVIDUALS CAN ALSO RECEIVE OF THE LORD HIMSELF A 'BLESSING FOR A BLESSING', AS WE CONTINUE BLESSING THE SEED OF

**ABRAHAM, ISAAC AND JACOB IN WORD AND IN DEED.**

### **THE CURSE**

**IT SURE IS EASY AND NICE TO SPEAK ABOUT BLESSINGS, BUT, IF WE ARE GOING TO TAKE GOD AT HIS WORD WE MUST ALSO MENTION 'THE CURSE' IN RESPECT TO INDIVIDUALS AND OR NATIONS TAKING A CURSED ATTITUDE AND WAY OF LIFE AGAINST ISRAEL (THE JEWISH PEOPLE).**

**WE HAVE SO MANY EXAMPLES THROUGHOUT HISTORY THAT HAVE TAKEN THE WRONG ROAD, AND THAT ROAD IS CALLED, ANTI-SEMITISM (HATRED AGAINST THE PEOPLE AND NATION OF ISRAEL).**

**LET US LOOK AT SEVERAL OF THESE:**

**IN HISTORY WE ARE TOLD ABOUT SEVERAL NATIONS THAT HAVE HATED THE JEWISH PEOPLE, THOUGH THEY WERE MIGHTY AND POWERFUL ACCORDING TO WORLD STANDARDS, SUCH AS EGYPT, PERSIA, ROME, ALL TREMENDOUS POWERS OF THE WORLD THAT CAME TO NOUGHT, ALL BECAUSE OF THEIR ANTI-SEMITISM AGAINST A PEOPLE THAT GOD CALLS, HOLY, CHOSEN AND SPECIAL IN THE BOOK OF**

**DEUTERONOMY.**

**NOT TOO MANY YEARS AGO, SEVERAL NATIONS THAT HAD ADOPTED CRUEL, MERCILESS AND MURDEROUS ATTITUDES AGAINST THE JEWISH PEOPLE, WHERE ARE THEY? WHO WERE THEY? JUST TO NAME A FEW, SPAIN, RUSSIA, GERMANY AND BRITAIN.**

**JUST THINK, THESE GREAT POWERS WERE AND HAVE BEEN REDUCED TO ALMOST NOTHINGNESS AND ALL BECAUSE THEY TOOK A STAND IN CURSING ISRAEL, THE DESCENDANTS OF ABRAHAM, ISAAC AND JACOB. THE LORD GOD IS TRUE TO HIS WORD!**

**THESE POWERS THAT BE, ALONG WITH OTHERS AND ESPECIALLY INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN CURSED OF GOD. THEREFORE, AS WE REMEMBER THE WORDS OF GENESIS 12: 3, 'AND CURSE HIM THAT CURSETH THEE', TRULY WE CAN BE A WITNESS OF GOD'S HOLY WORD BEING FAITHFUL AND TRUE.**

**YOU WOULD THINK THAT NATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS WOULD LEARN FROM PAST EXPERIENCES NOT TO REPEAT THE SAME PRACTICE OF CURSING ISRAEL THAT ALWAYS BRINGS WITH IT (IN TIME)**