



# Welcome to Rehoboth New Life Center

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## Keys To Gods Favor:

- Obedience: The path to God's Blessing
- Humility: The place of God's Blessing
- Knowledge: Understanding God's Blessing
- Mission: Utilizing God's Blessing



# The Blessing of The Lord

Obedience the path to blessing

Deuteronomy 28:1 ¶And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt **hearken diligently** unto the voice of the LORD thy God, **to observe** and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth: 2 And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.



# Obedience brings the blessing!



Genesis 27:8 Now therefore, my son, **obey my voice according to that which I command thee.** 9 Go now to the flock, and fetch me from thence two good kids of the goats; and I will make them savoury meat for thy father, such as he loveth: 10 And thou shalt bring it to thy father, that he may eat, and that **he may bless thee** before his death.

“Obey” : Hebrew “Shama”, To Listen to, To Yield



# “The Coverings”



Genesis:27:21 And Isaac said unto Jacob, Come near, I pray thee, that I may feel thee, my son, whether thou be my very son Esau or not.

22 And Jacob went near unto Isaac his father; and he felt him, and said, The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau.

23 And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy, as his brother Esau's hands: so he blessed him.

Genesis 27:9 Go now to the flock, and fetch me from thence **two good kids of the goats**; and I will make them savoury meat for thy father, such as he loveth: 16 And **she put the skins of the kids of the goats upon his hands**, and upon the smooth of his neck:



# “I don’t understand”



- Genesis 22:1 ¶And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am.
- 2 And he said, **Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest,** and get thee into the land of Moriah; and **offer him there for a burnt offering** upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.



# The Blessing Comes Through Obedience



Genesis 22:15 ¶And the angel of the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time, 16 And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son:

**17 That in blessing I will bless thee,** and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies;

18 And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; **because thou hast obeyed my voice.**



# The First Blessing: Fruitful and multiply



Genesis 9:1 ¶And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.

Genesis 1:22 **And God blessed them,** saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth.

28 **And God blessed them,** and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.



# The Start of Blessing: Changing your Environment



Genesis 12:1 ¶Now the LORD had said unto Abram, **Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred,** and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:

2 And I will make of thee a great nation, **and I will bless thee,** and make thy name great; and **thou shalt be a blessing:**

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.**

Philippians 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.



# Believing for blessing: By Faith into Grace

Faith....

...Is being sure of  
what we hope for  
And certain of  
what we do not  
see

Romans 5:1-2 Therefore, since we have **been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access **by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.****



# Obtaining the blessing: Obedience + Perseverance

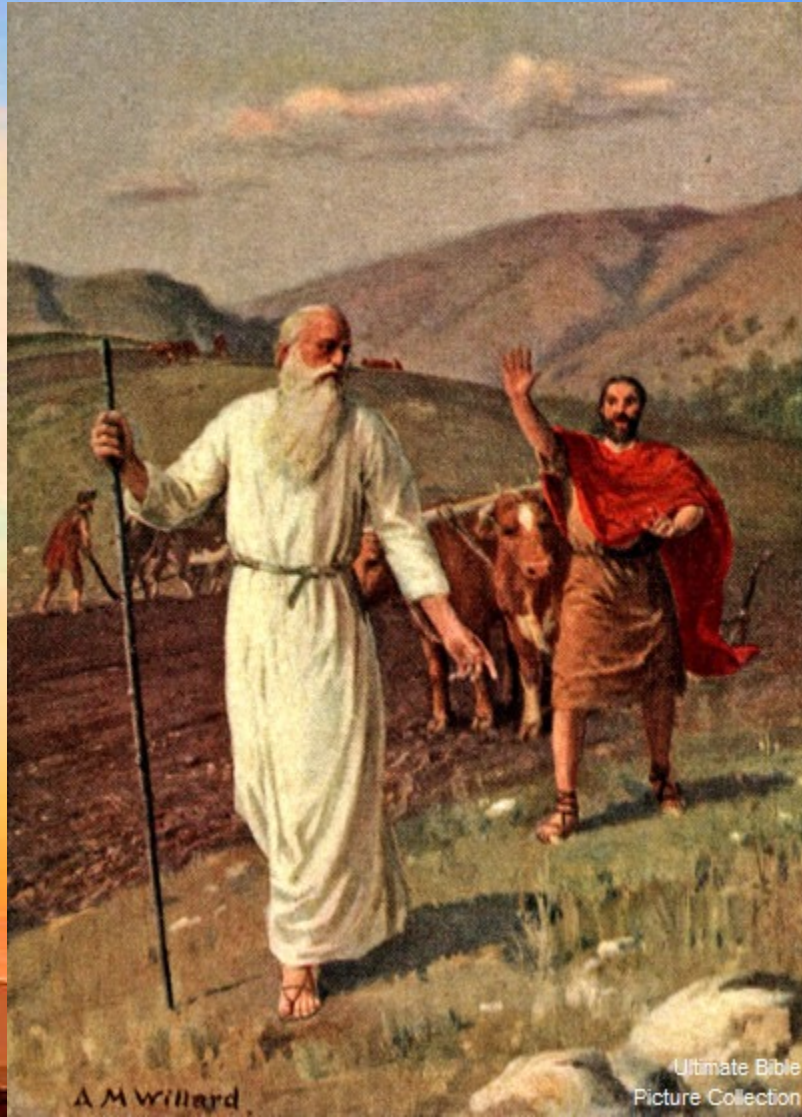


2 Kings 2:1 And it came to pass, when the LORD would take up Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind, that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal. So they came to Jericho.

9 ¶And it came to pass, when they were gone over, that Elijah said unto Elisha, Ask what I shall do for thee, before I be taken away from thee. And Elisha said, I pray thee, let a double portion of thy spirit be upon me.



# Obtaining the blessing: Obedience + Perseverance



2 Kings 2:2 And Elijah said unto Elisha, Tarry here, I pray thee; for the LORD hath sent me to Bethel. And Elisha said unto him, As the LORD liveth, and as thy soul liveth, **I will not leave thee.** So they went down to Bethel.



# Disobedience Brings Rejection



Samuel 15:19 Wherefore then didst thou not obey the voice of the LORD, but didst fly upon the spoil, and didst evil in the sight of the LORD?

20 And Saul said unto Samuel, Yea, I have obeyed the voice of the LORD, and have gone the way which the LORD sent me, and have brought Agag the king of Amalek, and have utterly destroyed the Amalekites.

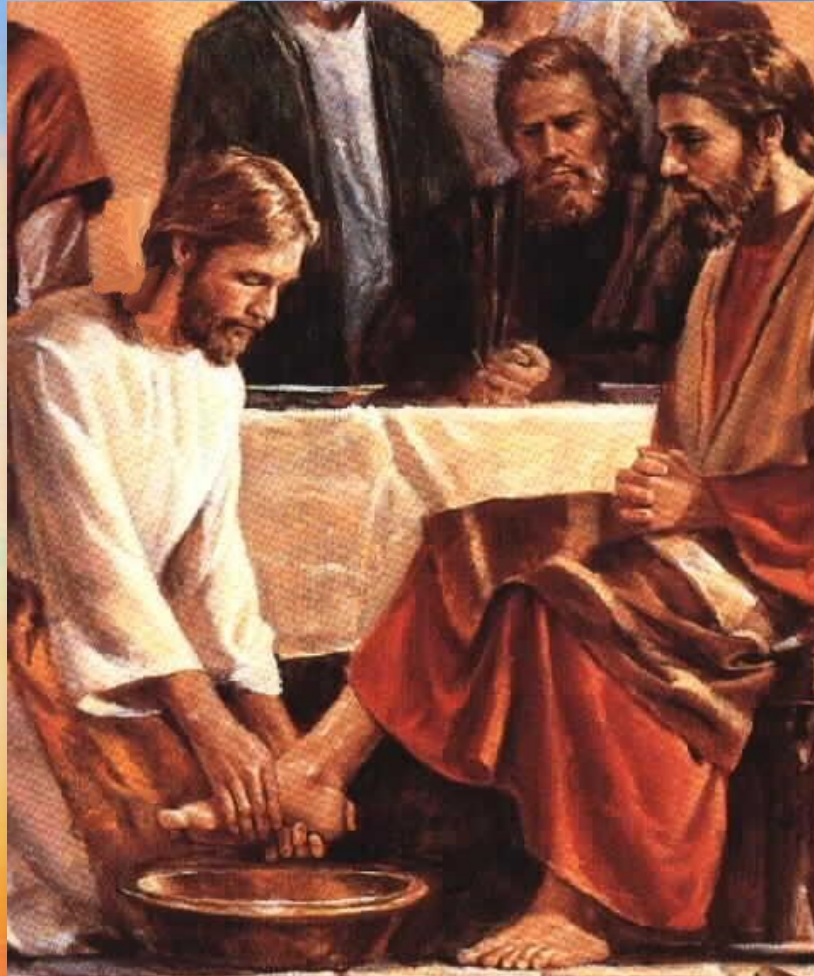
21 But the people took of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the chief of the things which should have been utterly destroyed, to sacrifice unto the LORD thy God in Gilgal.

22 And Samuel said, Hath the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? **Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams.**

23 For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from being king.



# Obedience: does not need understanding



John 13:5 After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded.

6 Then cometh he to Simon Peter: and Peter saith unto him, **Lord, dost thou wash my feet?**

7 Jesus answered and said unto him, **What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter.**

8 Peter saith unto him, Thou shalt never wash my feet. Jesus answered him, **If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me.**

9 Simon Peter saith unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head.

## Obedience: Only needs Faith!



# The Place of Blessing :Humility

**FOR EVERYONE WHO  
EXALTS HIMSELF WILL  
BE HUMBLD, AND HE  
WHO HUMBLD  
HIMSELF WILL BE  
EXALTED.**

**LUKE 14:11**

Proverbs 22:4 By  
humility and the fear of  
the LORD are riches, and  
honour, and life.



# Why should we be humble ?



Luke 12:25 And which of you with taking thought can add to his stature one cubit?  
26 If ye then be not able to do that thing which is least, why take ye thought for the rest?

- We are not in control!
- James 4:13 Go to now, ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain:
- **14 Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow.** For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.
- **15** For that ye ought to say, If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that.



# Humility: The Place of Gods Blessing



Luke 18:9 ¶And he spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: 10 Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. 11 The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican.



# Humility the place of blessing



- James 4:6 But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.
- If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.
- 2 Chronicles 7:14



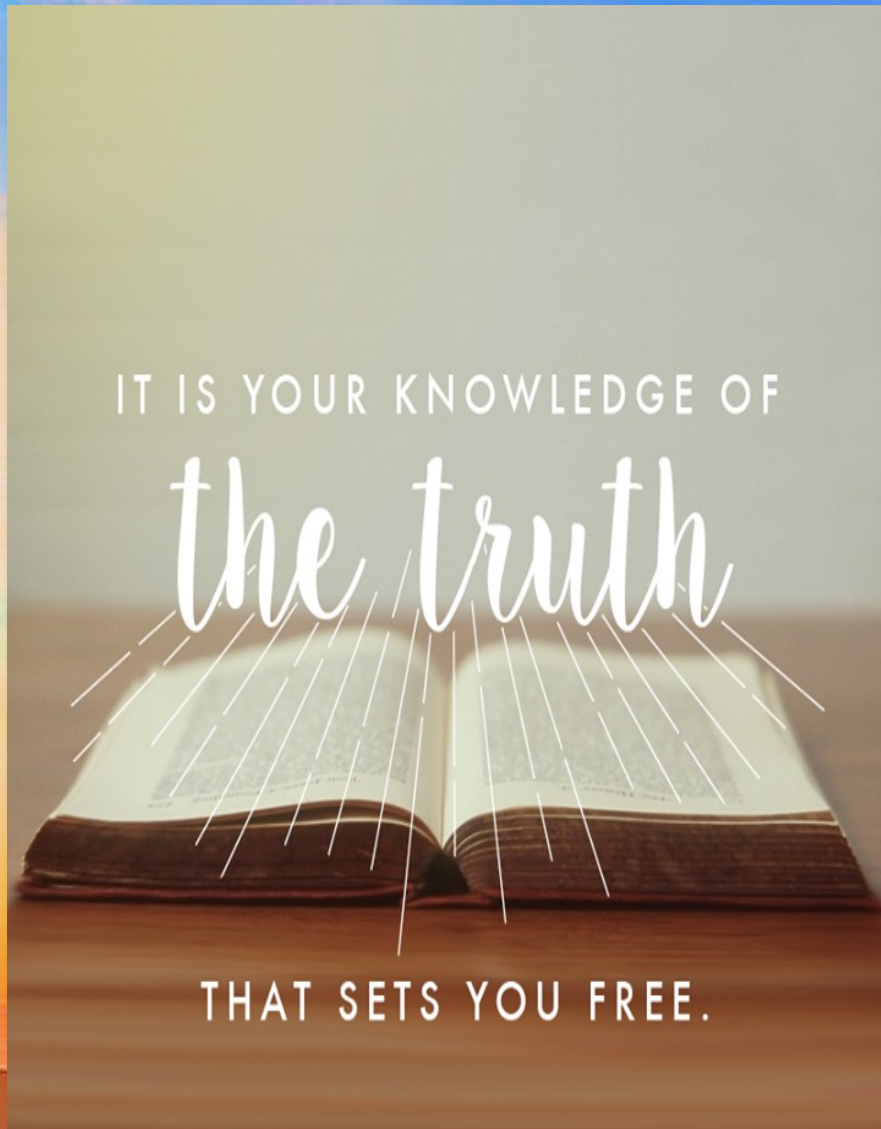
# Our example



- Philippians 2:8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.
- 9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:



# Lack of Knowledge leads to No Blessing!



- Hosea 4:6 ¶My people are destroyed **for lack of knowledge**: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.



# The Blessing through Knowledge

BUT GROW IN THE  
GRACE AND KNOWLEDGE  
OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR  
JESUS CHRIST.  
TO HIM BE GLORY  
BOTH NOW AND FOREVER!  
AMEN.

2 PETER 3:18



**Psalms 119:33 . Teach  
me, O LORD, the way of  
thy statutes; and I shall  
keep it unto the end.**

Romans 10:14 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?



# Laws of Blessing: Sowing and Reaping



Galatians 6:7 Be not deceived; God is not mocked: **for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.**

8 For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

9 And let us not be weary in well doing: **for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.**

Psalms 126:5 They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. 6 He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.



# Laws of Blessing: Patience

Waiting : Patience



Isaiah 40:31

But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

- Ecclesiastes 3:1 ¶To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:
- 2 A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted;

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,



# Laws of Blessing: Seek and you shall find

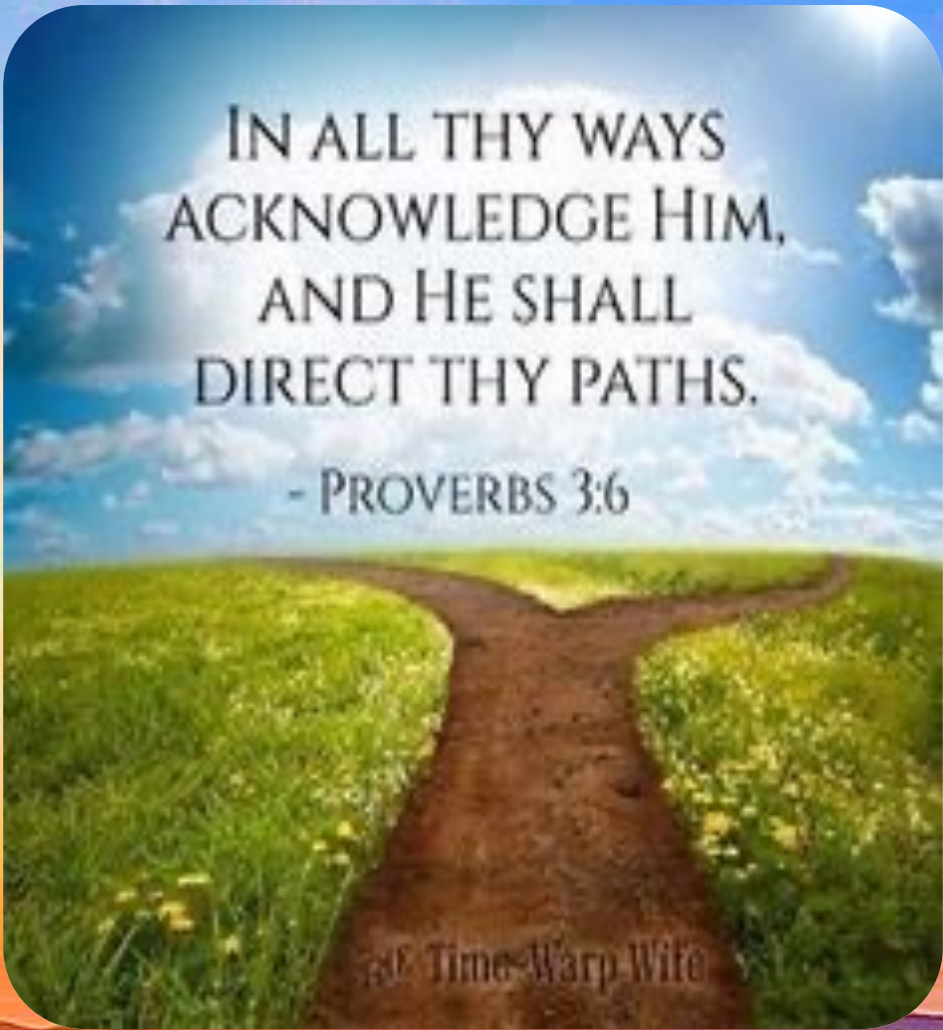


Matthew 6:33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

- Luke 11:9 And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; **seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.**
- Matthew 5:6 **Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.**
- John 6:35 And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.



# To Acknowledge “Yadda”= To Know



IN ALL THY WAYS  
ACKNOWLEDGE HIM,  
AND HE SHALL  
DIRECT THY PATHS.

- PROVERBS 3:6

The Time-Warp Wife

- Proverbs 3:6 In all thy ways **acknowledge** him, and he shall direct thy paths.
- Ephesians 4:13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:



# The Blessing is to Know him!



- Philippians 3:10 **That I may know him**, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;
- 11 If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.
- 12 Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus.
- 13 Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,
- 14 I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.




# The Blessing of The Lord

: Mission, Utilizing Gods blessing

**Luke 6:38** - Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.



# How do we bless ?



Its possible to give away and become  
richer. By watering others we water  
ourselves

PROVERBS 11:24 (Living Bible)

- Pray
- Encourage/Lift up
- Serving/Looking after
- Giving
- Council/Advise
- Warn
- Correct/Admonish

**Proverbs 11:24** One person gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. 25 A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.



# Blessing: Through Prayer

THE EFFECTUAL FERVENT  
**PRAYER**  
*of a*  
RIGHTEOUS MAN  
AVAILETH MUCH

JAMES 5:16

1 PETER 2:10

- Acts 12:5 ¶Peter therefore was kept in prison: **but prayer was made without ceasing** of the church unto God for him.
- Romans 1:9 For God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of his Son, that without ceasing **I make mention of you always in my prayers;**



# Blessing: Through Encouragement



**GOD HAS PUT PEOPLE  
IN YOUR LIFE ON PURPOSE**

so you can be a blessing to them.  
**DON'T LIVE TO GET, LIVE TO GIVE.**

- Thessalonians 5:11
- **Wherefore comfort** yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.(KJV)
- **Therefore encourage** one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing. (NIV)

**Hebrews 10:24-25** “Let us think of ways **to motivate one another to acts of love and good works.** And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.” (NLT)



# Blessing : Through Serving



“For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” Mark

10:45

- Matthew 25:34 Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, **Come, ye blessed of my Father**, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:
- 35 For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in:
- 36 Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me.