



Prosperity & Blessing

“To move forward and have success in every area of life”

“To be successful and advance in every area as we go down the road of life”

John 10:10 (AMP)

10 The thief comes only in order to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have and enjoy life, and have it in abundance (to the full, till it overflows).

Deuteronomy 28:29 (NKJV)

- Curses for Disobedience
- God doesn't prosper in the curse / disobedience.

29 And you shall grope at noonday, as a blind man gropes in darkness; you shall not prosper (H6743) in your ways; you shall be only oppressed and plundered continually, and no one shall save you.

Deuteronomy 29:9 (NKJV)

- Blessings for Obedience
- God does prosper in blessing / obedience.

9 Therefore keep the words of this covenant, and do them, that you may prosper (H7919) in all that you do

Genesis 12:3 (NKJV)

3 I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.

Galatians 3:6-9 (NKJV)

6 just as Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness. 7 Therefore know that only those who are of faith are sons of Abraham. 8 And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel to Abraham beforehand, saying, In you all the nations shall be blessed. 9 So then those who are of faith are blessed with believing Abraham.

(H1288 - Barak) - Approx. 330 times in O.T.

“a primitive root; to kneel; by implication to bless God (as an act of adoration), and (vice-versa) man (as a benefit); also (by euphemism) to curse (God or the king, as treason):--X abundantly, X altogether, X at all, blaspheme, bless, congratulate, curse, X greatly, X indeed, kneel (down), praise, salute, X still, thank.

1. God would never kneel before man to serve him.

a. He already did: John 13 (Last Supper)

John 13:15-17 (NKJV)

15 For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you. 16 Most assuredly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him. 17 If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.

> If you've seen me, you've seen the Father
(John 14:9-10)

(H1293- Brakah)-Approx. 69 times in the O.T.

“from 1288; benediction; by implication
prosperity:--blessing, liberal, pool, present.”

(H835 - Esher/Asre) - Approx. 45 times in
the O.T.

“from 833; happiness; only in masculine
plural construction as interjection, how
happy!:--blessed, happy.”

New International Dictionary of Old Testament Theology and Exegesis:

- 10 pages (Defining the 3 words)
- Read Excerpts from the book. (Volume 1 - Page 758ff)

That is why I say: Blessing and Prosperity are like married.....

1. To be Prosperous is to be Blessed.
To be Blessed is to be Prosperous.

2. Blessing and Prosperity both are summarized in:

“To be successful and advance in every area as we go down the road of life”

3. My Definition: Bless (ing) (ed)

“Empowered to Prosper” (which produces Happiness)

Deuteronomy 28

1. 28:2, 8 - “Blessings” - (H1293 - Brakah)
(Exp)

2. 28:3-8 - “Blessed/Bless” - (H1288 - Barak)
(Exp)

Read: Deuteronomy 28 & 30

Online statistics:

Approximately 25% of children are being raised without a father in the home (single parent - mother)

The **Father Absence Crisis** in America

Research shows² when a child is raised in a father-absent home, they are affected in the following ways...

17.8

Million Children, Nearly 1 in 4, Without a Biological, Step, or Adoptive Father at Home¹



- ⊖ Greater Risk of Poverty
- ⊖ More Likely to Have Behavioral Problems
- ⊖ Greater Risk of Infant Mortality
- ⊖ More Likely to Go to Prison
- ⊖ More Likely to Commit Crime
- ⊖ More Likely to Become Pregnant as a Teen
- ⊖ More Likely to Face Abuse and Neglect
- ⊖ More Likely to Abuse Drugs and Alcohol
- ⊖ More Likely to Suffer Obesity
- ⊖ More Likely to Drop Out of School

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¹U.S. Census Bureau. (2023). Living arrangements of children under 18 years old: 1960 to present. Washington, D.C.: U.S. Census Bureau.
²National Fatherhood Initiative® 2024. Father Facts: Ninth Edition. Germantown, MD: National Fatherhood Initiative®.

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Add to that: of the ones present, how many
are fair to good fathers?

1. Are actively living for / serving God.
2. Have a Godly Worldview.
3. Are committed to mom and the family.
4. Work to provide for their family.
5. Invest love, time, money, stability, discipline, consistency, self-sacrifice, etc. - into their family.
6. Work to mature and live self-controlled for the family.
7. Strive to set an example, that if followed, will bring success....

Jesus came to show us who the Father is:

John 14:9-10 (NIV)

9 Jesus answered: Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, Show us the Father'?
10 Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you are not just my own. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work.

Colossians 1:14-15 (AMP)

14 In Whom we have our redemption through His blood, [which means] the forgiveness of our sins. 15 [Now] He is the exact likeness of the unseen God [the visible representation of the invisible]; He is the Firstborn of all creation.

Hebrews 1:3 (NIV)

3 The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.