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C. Elijah Bronner: Thank you for joining Brothers of the Word because, brother, you need the Word.

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Well, just a little humor. A mother was preparing pancakes for her sons, Kevin age 5 and Ryan age 3 and the boys began to argue over who will get the first pancake, and their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson. She said if Jesus were sitting here, he would say, let my brother have the first pancake, I can wait. And so, Kevin turned to his younger brother, Ryan and said, you be Jesus.

We've been reading a particular text before we jump into Deuteronomy 28, we've been reading a particular text over in the Book of Galatians, in the New Testament Galatians Chapter 3. Galatians 3 and we've been reading three verses there and every week I've been adding a verse, so we're going to read maybe three, four or five verses this time. Galatians Chapter 3, let's begin with Verse 7 through 9 and I want to read Verse 13 and 14 and then we'll read Verse 29. Galatians 3, let's begin with Verse 7, "Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham. And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, in thee shall all nations be blessed. So, then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham." And also Verse 13 and 14, "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us for it is written, cursed is every one that hangeth

on a tree. Verse 14, “that the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.” And also Verse 29, “And if ye be Christ’s, then are ye Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.”

And so, we’re using as a subject Abraham’s blessing. Abraham’s blessing Part 3. This is Part 3 Abraham’s Blessing and I had to sing these little phrases, you can repeat after me. Again, Abraham’s Blessing. Say it with me, Abraham’s Blessing has come on me through Christ Jesus. Say this with me, I’m an heir to God’s promise to Abraham. And also say, Abraham’s Blessing is mine. Abraham’s Blessing is mine.

I keep drilling those little statements because I want those sink down into your heart and into your spirit until you fully realized that the blessing has come. The blessing has come. The blessing has come. The blessing of Abraham has come on us. The blessing of Abraham has come on us. You notice in one of those verses it read that in you Abraham all the nations of the earth are going to be blessed, all the families of the earth are going to be blessed in you and that’s because Abraham was adored. He was the portal to the blessing and the promise was made to Christ. The promise was made to the Christ looking down through time, through the visitors of time it was made to Christ and all those who would come into Christ would receive this blessing of Abraham in Christ Jesus.

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So, the blessing has come, the blessing has come on us. This blessing of Abraham now belongs to us. The blessing has come on us. Turn to your neighbor and say, Abraham’s blessing is mine. Abraham’s blessing is mine. Abraham’s blessing is mine. Praise God. I have Abraham’s blessing.

Well, let’s jump into Deuteronomy in Chapter 28. This is the most blessed chapter. This is the most condensed concentrated chapter in the whole Bible on this blessing that was promised to the seed of Abraham. And so, we find in Verse 28, we’ll start with Verse 1 again. Chapter 28 Verse 1. Notice what it says, “And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken 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.” And so, this was a requirement, this was a prerequisite for the blessing. It was obedience, it was keeping the law, it was keeping the commandments of God which no one was able to do and no one is still able to do it. There are over 613 laws, commandments that God gave. No one could keep all of them especially when you’re talking about keeping each one perfectly and then keeping all of them continually all the time. No one was able to do that, but Jesus was able to do it. Jesus was able to do it. He fulfilled the law. He fulfilled the commandments and the blessing of Abraham was released on him and so it is out part of being in Christ that we receive the blessing because of his obedience, because of him keeping those commandments.

And so, see, when you look at Deuteronomy 28 in Chapter 28, in light of the new covenant, I don’t just look at it as a book in the old covenant by itself, I now look at it because I have the privilege of knowing what happened in the new covenant. So, knowing what happened in the Book Galatians what it tells us that nobody could keep the law, nobody could keep the law, not every part of the law, not all the time. You would eventually mess up, nobody could do it perfectly but Jesus did it perfectly. And so, what Jesus did, Jesus has allowed us to trade our disobedience for his obedience. He gave us his obedience because he knows his obedience now releases the blessing of Abraham. That blessing has come on us. That blessing has come on us. That blessing has come on us.

And so, we couldn’t keep the law but Jesus could keep the law. So, we couldn’t attain righteousness by our own works. We can’t attain righteousness by our own actions. Our righteousness comes by faith and what Christ Jesus has attained what he has done in his obedience is our righteousness fulfilled. And so, we receive our righteousness based on Jesus Christ and his blood. He’s the one that gives us our righteousness. So, the Bible says, all those that are of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham because Christ fulfilled the covenant. He fulfilled the commandments. He fulfilled the law. And so, the blessing of Abraham was released that’s why the promise was made to him in all those who would be in Christ, we’re partakers of that blessing in Christ. And so, it’s our inheritance, it’s our inheritance.

Now, I'm not giving you a free ticket to sin, you know, I'm not saying we have no responsibility. What I am saying is, we receive the righteousness by faith in Christ Jesus. We received his righteousness. Well, his righteousness that's on the inside of you will show itself on the outside of you. His righteousness gives you the desire and the will and it gives you the ability to do right. When you walk in His righteousness, you don't want to sin, you don't want to disobey God because you are now the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus.

So, you are righteousness, you -- turn to your neighbor and say, you are righteousness. You are righteousness. So, you know your place in Christ is God's righteousness working in us and he gives us the desire and the ability to do what's right and to obey him. It comes through him. We can't do it by our ourselves. We're going to always comes short trying to do it in our flesh. We can't do it but in Christ Jesus we're made the very righteousness of God.

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We have the Holy Spirit. He always leads us to do what's right, he's in there. God says the day was coming when I'm going to write this law in your heart. That day has come, so we have the law in our heart now. So, the Holy Spirit is there leading us always in line with the law that's written in our heart. Here's something else in light of the New Testament. The New Testament says, that if you walk in love, if you love your neighbor you have fulfilled all the law. So, the New Testament commandment is love. All you got to do is love, let the love of God, let the love of God flow out to your life. Love God and love everybody. You have kept the commandment. So, I'm not trying to give you all away to sin. You know a lot of people get excited when we put everything on Christ and that means we can do whatever want. No, that's not what I'm saying at all. I'm saying that His righteousness, His life, His character has come on inside of us and so he enables us to obey God, and want to do right and live in righteousness because that's His life, that's who we are now. We have his nature on the inside of us.

So, we are the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus. And so, but it's Jesus' righteousness that gives us entrance into the blessing of Abraham because no man could fulfill it all on his own and receive the blessing. That's why the promise was to Abraham's

seed, not sees with the S, seed, singular Christ and those who would be united in Christ Jesus because Jesus fulfilled the law. He fulfilled the law. He fulfilled the law. And so, our faith when we received from God is because this man, he kept the law. He kept the commandments and so he's entitled to the blessing. He's entitled to the blessing, so all you got to do is let showed to him because he's entitled to the blessing. Let showed of the one that kept the law, who kept the commandment. He's entitled to the blessing, so we let showed of him, receive His righteousness we take our place in Him so that blessing falls on us.

And that's the whole good news of the gospel, you know, that's what Paul was writing about in the book of Galatians, hey that if you're faith, man you're blessed with faithful Abraham. His blessing has now come on you through Christ Jesus because he has fulfilled the law. Now, I gave you all of that to satisfy Verse 1, that's -- I had to qualify you all for Verse 1 because, you know, you can look in Verse 1 and say, oh man isn't that way I could keep all, so excited (00:12:36), no it's because of Christ Jesus now that we receive that blessing. We receive the blessing of Abraham, praise God. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Now, Verse 2. And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee. All these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God. So, we talk a little bit about these blessings coming on us, overtaken us. We said that overtaking means the sheer abundance. It's the magnitude of the blessing that the blessing would be so much, it overtakes us. It overtakes us. It overwhelms us. It surprises us. It catches us off guard. It's something that's completely unexpected and it's the sheer variety in the frequency of these blessings coming on us and overtaken us and it's the abundant.

This passage speaks of being blessed at every turn. Every which way you turn you're blessed. Every which way you turn you're blessed. You're blessed in all the various movements in life. You're blessed. No matter which way you turn. No matter where you go. No matter what you're doing, you're blessed. This blessing comes on us and it overtakes us and that's what it refers to that Verse 2, the blessing overtakes us, it comes on us and the blessing overtakes us. The blessings overtake us.

Where is Sister Diana. That blessing got on Diana's son they overtook her, it overtook. She had told you what I'm talking about. That blessing overtook her son. She wasn't expecting it. It caught her off guard. The sheer magnitude and the abundance of -- Diana cried the whole service and she was still crying after service. She had been overtaken. She had been overtaken. She had been overtaken. She had been overtaken. That's what that blessing does, it overtakes us, it overtakes us. I'll never forget Brother Kenneth Copeland and he said he was coming home after a walk and he said he got toward his house and he looked in his driveway and there were two brand new matching his and hers Mercedes Benz parked in his driveway. And they had ribbons on them, they were gift, somebody had given them to him and his wife and he said he paused and he said, Lord, I didn't ask for this, what are these doing here. He said the replied --

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-- and said you've just been overtaken. You've just been overtaken by the blessing. You've been overtaken by the blessing. Well, that's what this blessing does, it surprises us, it catches us off guard. Man, it overwhelms us. You heard in my mother's message -- you are listening to the recording she kept saying it's an overwhelming, God overwhelms us, he overwhelms us, he overwhelms us. Well, in my mind, I kept hearing is, he overtakes us, he overtakes us, he overtakes us, he overtakes us, he overtakes us. It's a sheer abundance, it's a sheer magnitude. It's a sheer frequency. It's a variety. It's a surprise of God's blessing coming in our lives and we don't know what to do with it because it's more than we can't comprehend, it's more than we can't conceive, it overtakes us.

Look at Verse 3, look at Verse 3. "Blessed shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field." Now, notice this, this is a location blessing, location blessing. Everybody says, location blessing, location blessing. I begin to see this blessing travels with you. Notice, blessing is not in one spot it moves, it travels with you. Verse 3, you'll be blessed in the city that's because you're in the city. Well, what happens if you go to the field? Well, you're blessed in the field. That blessing moves with you. It's a traveling blessing. It's a moving blessing.

Look at Verse 6. “Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out.” That blessing is moving on you with you wherever you go, wherever you might be. Things are going to be well with you because that blessing travels with you, it goes in with you. It goes out with you whether you’re in the city or if you’re out in the country, it doesn’t matter, whether you’re at work, whether you’re at home, whether you’re in church, whether you’re running errands, whether you’re vacationing, whether you’re traveling, that blessing is on you. That blessing is on you, it travels, it travels, it travels, it travels. So, it’s a moving blessing, it’s a moving blessing. Whether you’re outdoors it’s on you. Whether you move inside the house, it’s on you. That blessing, that blessing is on everything outside and everything inside. That blessing moves, it travels with us, it travels with us.

You also see in Verse 8 and also Verse 12 that no matter what your occupation is, no matter what your occupation is that blessing comes on you. No matter what your work is, your business, your employment. Notice Verse 8 says, everything that you set your hand to. Verse 12 says it blessed all the work of thine hand. No matter what work you’re doing that blessing is now on your work, it’s on your employment. That blessing is on your work, it’s on your employment. It blesses your ability. It blesses your ability. I’m going to say that again, it blesses your ability. That blessing blesses your ability.

Verse 4 and Verse 11 talks about the blessing that comes on your children. Once verse calls it the fruit of your body, the next verse it calls it your offspring, but that’s referring to your seed, that’s referring to your children. This blessing falls on your children.

Then in Verse 5, we see that the blessing falls on our storage places. Falls on our storage places and it also falls on places that we use daily. So, almost to me, like, it falls on your savings account, your savings that just storage, your checking is a place you use every day. So, it falls on your saving and it also falls on your checking. Glory to God. Halleluiah. Oh man, that blessing falls on your storage places, falls on your storage places. And then it also falls on the places that we use daily. One translation says, the grain that you harvest would be blessed and the bread you bake would be blessed. So, the grains you’re bringing in store and the grains you’re using in your daily

baking. Your storage places and what you're using daily is blessed. This is a blessing. This is the blessing. This is the blessing.

So, this blessing comes on us and it covers us, it covers everything that belongs to us, it covers everything connected to us. It covers all of our affairs and it calls us success in all of our affairs.

Now, what I want to do now, I want to move into giving you, I want to give you this declaration because this is what I do in my prayer every day. I spend about 30 minutes every day in my prayer --

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declaring the blessing, declaring my inheritance in Christ and so I do everything in the New Testament. I do everything in the Old Testament but I do this daily to keep the covenant on my mind. To remind God of his promise. To remind God that I am an heir, that I am an heir and I'm entitled to everything he's promised to me and his word. I'm laying hold on my inheritance. You got to lay hold on your inheritance. You got to lay hold on your inheritance.

And so, we've already covered the New Testament and so I'm not going to give you anything from the New Testament because we spent weeks covering your inheritance in the New Testament, but I want just give you some of the things you should declare in your prayer, every day you should say these things, here are some things, these are all from Deuteronomy 28, this first part. You should be saying, I'm the head and not the tail. That's in Deuteronomy 28. That's part of Abraham's blessing that comes on you. You're the head and not the tail. I'm above and not beneath. Above and not beneath. I'm a lender and not a borrower. I am a lender and not a borrower. I am blessed coming in going out. My storage places are blessed. My home is blessed. My work place is blessed. My family is blessed. My body is blessed. Blessings come on me and overtake me. This is what you say every day. These are other texts in the Old Testament. Abraham's blessing. God's promises to Abraham and his seed. I say that I am crowned with loving kindness and tender mercies that comes out of Psalm 103 Verse 4. I also say that I am surrounded with favor as a shield, Psalm 5:12. I also

say that goodness and mercy follows me, that's Psalm 23 Verse 6. I also say the angel of the Lord encampeth round about me to deliver me, Psalm 34, Verse 7. I also say that he satisfies my mouth with good things, Psalm 103, Verse 5. I also say that my youth is renewed as the eagle, Psalm 103 Verse 5. The reason our youth is renewed as the eagle. When the eagle starts getting old it sheds its feathers and when it sheds its feathers there are new feathers is growing under there. And then it'll go to a mountainous-type place, it'll bang its beak against the rock and his beak will fall off and underneath will be a brand new beak growing. So, the eagle's youth is renewed. And so, I say that of Psalms 103 Verse 5, Lord thank you for renewing my youth as eagle, I'm getting younger and younger, stronger and better each and every day. Folks that Abraham's blessing that has come on our life.

Now, you can get old and frail and decrepit and sick if you want to but that is not Abraham blessing. That is not Abraham blessing. Folks, when Caleb got old, when Caleb was 80 years old, you know the Bible recourse that he said, I'm just as strong as I was when I was 40. That's what Caleb said. The Bible says when Moses was 120 years old, that his eyesight was not dimmed, neither were his natural forces abated. That is the youth renewing blessing. That is the youth renewing blessing that God's people are entitled to. We should be looking younger and more energetic and more youthful than people our counterparts that out in the world because this is Abraham's blessing. This is Abraham's blessing.

Alright. Well, let me just give you few more things here in the old covenant that I confess every day. Psalms 103 Verse 3, forgiving all his benefits he forgives me and he heals me. He forgives me and he heals me. Two of the major benefits, part of Abraham's blessing. Deuteronomy 7:15, Exodus 23:5 God take sickness from our midst. He takes it from our midst. That's part of Abraham's blessing. So, you ought to confess that in your prayer. Father thank you for taking sickness from my midst. I lay hold of Abraham's blessing. I lay hold of that blessing that was promised to Abraham. He satisfies us with long life. He satisfies us with long life, that's Psalm 91, that's also Exodus 23 Verse 26, that's also Proverbs 3 Verse 1. He satisfies us with long life. Lay hold of that blessing. Confess that blessing out of your mouth. Here is one final one that I confess out of the Old Testament, and that's no calamity, no

accident, no misfortune, no sickness shall come near my dwelling. That's also Psalm 91 Verse 10. Well, man, that's your inheritance. That's your covenant.

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That's your blessing that belongs to you in Christ Jesus. Put that in your mouth, speak it out of your mouth, put in your prayer. Think about that during the day. This is our covenant. This is what we live out of. This is what we live out of. This is what belongs to us in Christ. So, this is part of my life.

Now, that's not everything I go through. I go through a variety of things. I go through every scripture in the Bible on how much God loves me because that's part of Abraham's blessing. So, I remind myself every day. I go through every scripture in the Bible. How much God loves me? Just to give you a sample, Jeremiah 31:3 says, he loves me with an everlasting love and with loving kindness has he drawn me.

Man, I meditate on those, all day, every day, every day. So, I spend about 30 minutes every day as part of my prayer, rehearsing Abraham's blessing. Rehearsing my inheritance in Christ Jesus. Putting it in my mouth, speaking it, confessing it, thanking God for taking hold of it by faith, walking in light of it, this is what belongs to us in Christ Jesus. This is ours. This is ours.

So, that's why I took my time teaching this whole series because I say, hey, this is important. This is our life here. This is our life at stake here. This is the difference between you dying at a 100 and you dying at 50 knowing that long life belongs to you, knowing that he's taken sickness away from the midst to you, that's part of your blessing, that's part of your inheritance, knowing that your youth is renewed as eagle. Folks, this is livelihood here. I got to talking to Brother Ivan about this, I said Brother Ivan I'm not preaching this to have a good sermon. I said, I'm not preaching this for a good sermon. I said I've been preaching for over 25 years; I know how to give a good sermon. I'm not preaching this for a good sermon. I'm preaching this because this is our inheritance, this is what Jesus bled, and this is what he die for, this is what he gave us, this is what he released in his blood for us. This is what belongs to us in Christ Jesus.

So, I'm not after, I'm not after a good message. I'm not after a good sermon. I'm after what we incorporate in our lives, what we walk out in this world. This is our life. It's how you keep sickness and disease off of you. This is how you keep the death angel all for you. This is how you protect your children. This is how you get your needs met. Folks, this is our life. This is our joy. This is our peace. This is everything Christ Jesus die to guarantee that we would have.

This is our life. This is our life. I believe whatever part of my being. I believe what everything in my heart. This is our life. I hold God at his word and I give it back to him. God you said in your word. It's been sworn. You look around to swear. When God cut covenant with Abraham, he wanted to secure this thing with such validity. He looked around to find something greater than himself to swear by, he couldn't find. So, he swore on himself. He swore on himself to immutable things, unbreakable covenant in un lying God. Two immutable things his covenant was made between. He swore it based on himself because he couldn't find anything greater to swear on. His Abram I swear to you I swear to you on myself. He had to swear on himself. This is an oath. This is immutable oath. Immutable oath that was sworn, been further ratified by the blood of Jesus. Blood had to be shed. Blood had to be shed to activate it and put it in the fourth the blood of Christ Jesus drips all over. He guarantees every bit of it. He guarantees every bit of it.

So, this is not a sermon to me. This is not a sermon to me. It's not a sermon to me. This is life. This is life. This is life. This is our life. This is our life. This is our life. If this book isn't true, we might as well shut the church down and close it up let's go home.

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