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not because you deserve them or have earned them,
but because of what Jesus has done.
He wants to bless you beyond your imagination,
but are you willing to receive?

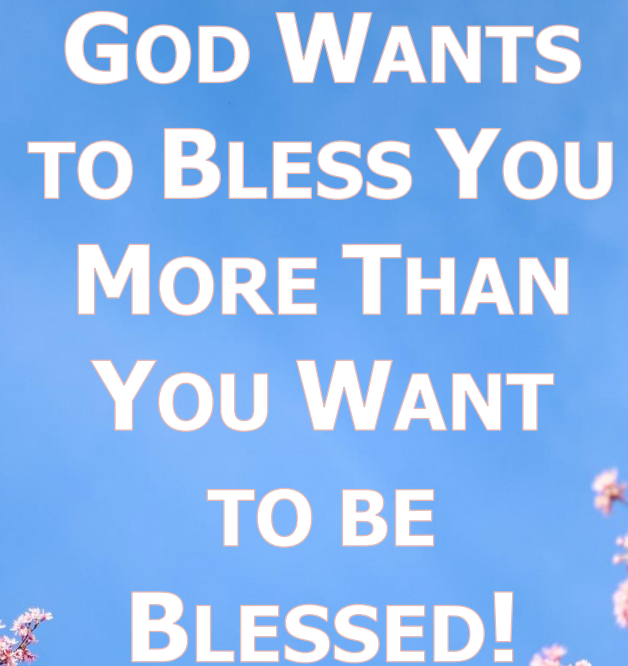
This booklet will help you,
whatever your circumstances are,
to start to receive the blessings God has for you.



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and start to see your prayers answered, the desires of your heart coming into your life and more blessings than you can begin to imagine!

Being Born-Again

When you acknowledge Jesus as God and decide to follow Him, you make Him your Lord. When you accept His sacrifice on the Cross for yourself personally, you make Him your Saviour. You are then born-again and have a new perfect spirit. God becomes your Father and you His child, and you can start to enjoy your personal love relationship with Him.

Romans 10:9 says – *‘If you will confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.’* Tell God you are sorry for the wrong things you do, say and think. Choose to believe that Jesus is Lord, that He died for you and is now alive. Accept Him as your Lord and Saviour. Say it with your voice and believe it in your heart.

If you’ve done that sincerely, you are now born-again and Jesus has come to live in you. Everything you’ve ever done wrong or ever will do wrong is forgiven, and after this life is over, you’ll live in peace and joy with your loving Father God for ever.

As a child of God, you now have a whole new family of brothers and sisters. Tell a trusted Christian that you are now born-again so they can help you in your new life in Jesus. And you have the Bible to help you understand and experience more of God’s love for you and all Jesus has done and won for you. It will help you to live your life in the best possible way – His way.

GOD WANTS TO BLESS YOU MORE THAN YOU WANT TO BE BLESSED!

What is your view of God? It may be of someone remote, a dictator figure, someone who is waiting to catch you out, a stern headmaster, or someone who just doesn’t care. Nothing could be further from the truth. God loves you totally and unconditionally. He wants to be your Father and you to be His loved and blessed child. He wants wonderful things for you more than you want them for yourself!

There may be things that you really desire in your life. I don’t mean worldly things like status, power, a big salary, a huge house, or a flash car. I mean things which will really satisfy you, like love, health, enough money, joy and peace. Now here’s the amazing truth – God wants you to have these things more than you want them yourself! That’s how wonderful He is!

And It’s All Possible Because of Jesus

And He has made it all possible through Jesus’s death and resurrection. It was as Jesus died on the Cross that the victory over all the sin of this world was won. The punishment for your sin was put on Jesus so you are free to live in close relationship with God. He’s not judging you – He’s loving you.

In the Bible in John 1:16 it says – *‘From his (Jesus’s) fullness we all received grace upon grace.’* Grace is God’s love and all He has won for you which you do not deserve and could never earn. It’s perfect love. And God wants to pour His grace out on you over and over again.

Do you want to enter into the wonderful Father and child relationship with God that He wants for you, and receive all the blessings He has for you? If so, you need to be born-again. (To read about being born-again go to the end of this booklet.)

More Than You

God wants wonderful things for you more than you want them for yourself – He is the perfect Father. He wants to bless you more than you want to be blessed and as His child all His blessings are yours to receive. He’s already released them and longs for you to receive them. Ephesians 1:3 says – *‘Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ.’* It’s past tense. He’s not assessing you to see if you are ready for or deserve blessings. They are yours to receive by faith. As you love God, believe in the truth of His Word, and reach out in faith to receive - they will come into your life.

Blessings

There are so many blessings God has for you. Here are some:

Direction

God wants to direct your path more than you want Him to! Proverbs 3:6 says – *‘In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.’*

Healing

God wants to heal you more than you want to be healed! 1 Peter 2:24 says – *‘You were healed by his wounds.’*

More than Enough money

God wants to give to you, more than you want to receive!

But on a later occasion, Daniel 10:12-13 says that the angel came in answer to one of Daniel’s prayers three weeks after he had prayed. When he eventually came the angel said – *‘from the first day that you set your heart to understand, and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard: and I have come for your words’ sake. But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me twenty-one days; but, behold, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me: and I remained there with the kings of Persia.’* To Daniel it seemed that God hadn’t answered this prayer, but the angel explained that the delay wasn’t because God hadn’t answered, but because the devil had tried to stop the answer coming. He didn’t succeed, but he managed to delay it. If God doesn’t seem to be answering your prayer, don’t give up or blame God. He wants you to get the answer more than you want it, and it will come.

Continually Praying

Instead of concerning yourself with numbers or length of time, cultivate a permanent consciousness of God and your relationship with Him. This is what God wants, a continuous prayer life. Even when you’re busy with other things, you can get to the place where you are always aware of God. Of course it’s good to spend time just focused on Him as well, but make it more a time of praise, worship and thanksgiving. And when you need to ask for something, don’t beg, just ask simply and believe the answer will come. And when you pray for others, remember God loves them even more than you do.

What a Loving Generous God!

God is longing for you to know all the blessings He has for you. He wants it more than you do. Get hold of this amazing truth

It's Faith That Gets Prayer Answered

God responds to faith-filled prayer. Jesus said in Matthew 21:22 – *'whatever you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive.'* This is what God's looking for, not numbers or time. Train yourself to believe for what you pray for. When you doubt, don't despair and give up. Turn back to God and speak out the Bible verses in this booklet. This will help you to build yourself up in faith, and then choose to start believing for your answer again.

The Desires of Your Heart

There is a wonderful verse in Psalms 37:4 which says - *'delight yourself in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.'* God responds to you when you delight in Him. How do you delight in Him? - make Him your focus. Concentrate on His wonderful nature and all He has done for you. Bless Him by thanking Him and telling Him you love Him. God wants you to have the wholesome desires of your heart more than you do! That's something to thank Him for!

The Devil Tries to Stop the Answer Coming

Now it's true that the devil wants to thwart your prayers, and people coming together to take a stand against him can be a beneficial thing to do. The Old Testament tells the story of Daniel. In Daniel 9:21-23 he says – *'While I was speaking in prayer ... Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly ... talked with me, and said, "Daniel ... At the beginning of your petitions the commandment went out, and I have come to tell you.'* The answer to Daniel's prayer came while he was still praying.

2 Corinthians 8:9 says – *'For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that you through his poverty might become rich.'*

Love

God loves you more than you want to be loved! Jeremiah 31:3 says – *'I have loved you with an everlasting love: therefore with loving kindness have I drawn you.'*

God's presence

God wants to be with you more than you want Him to be! Hebrews 13:5 says that God has said – *'I will in no way leave you, neither will I in any way forsake you.'* And Jesus said in Matthew 28:20 – *'I am with you always, even to the end of the age.'*

Wisdom

God wants to give you wisdom more than you want to receive it! James 1:5-8 says – *'if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach; and it will be given to him. But let him ask in faith, without any doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea, driven by the wind and tossed. For let that man not think that he will receive anything from the Lord. He is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.'*

Understanding

God wants you to understand all His truth more than you want to! John 16:13 says – *'when he, the Spirit of truth, has come, he will guide you into all truth.'*

How Does This Impact How You Pray?

God wants to answer your prayers more than you want Him to! As this truth settles in your heart, you'll find you spend less time

in prayer asking and more time just loving Him, praising Him and thanking Him. Get to know His promises and believe in them. For instance, before meeting with someone, you don't need to ask God to be there or to bless, heal or direct. Instead thank Him that He will be there. And remember that He wants to bless, direct and heal people more than they want it. Praise Him and ask instead that you will all be open to all God wants to do and give.

Should I Ever Ask God For Anything?

Yes, but you probably won't ask so often when you've really got hold of this truth. But He knows there are times when you do need to come to Him for something for yourself or for someone else. James 4:2 says – *'You don't have, because you don't ask.'* God wants you to ask Him when necessary. But you don't have to beg or implore Him. Jesus said in Matthew 6:8 – *'your Father knows what things you need, before you ask him.'* Simply receive by faith the things you ask for. But James 4:3 says– *'You ask, and don't receive, because you ask with wrong motives, so that you may spend it for your pleasures.'* So when you have a need, check your motives. If they're OK, ask, and then believe God has heard your prayer and will answer. Mark 11:24 assures you – *'Therefore I tell you, all things whatever you pray and ask for, believe that you have received them, and you shall have them.'*

You Can't Persuade God

Many Christians feel that the more people they get praying the more likely God will answer their prayer. They set up prayer chains or hold large prayer meetings about a specific prayer request. But Jesus made it clear that it isn't numbers that get

prayers answered, but belief. In Matthew 18:19 Jesus established the principle of the prayer of agreement, where you agree with someone else that the thing you are asking God for will come to pass. But it doesn't mean you have to get lots of people together. Jesus said it applied when there were just two people – *'assuredly I tell you, that if two of you will agree on earth concerning anything that they will ask, it will be done for them by my Father who is in heaven.'*

Similarly, there is no need for long prayers. Again Christians will hold long prayer meetings, even all night vigils. When you think about it, they must be thinking that God will respond to the length of time as though He has to be persuaded. But Jesus said in Matthew 6:7-8 – *'In praying, don't use vain repetitions, as the Gentiles do; for they think that they will be heard for their much speaking.'* When asking for something, don't beg or plead; keep it to the point and then choose to believe it will come.

Don't fall into the thinking pattern that says large numbers or long prayers impress God and will persuade Him to answer. Remember, He wants to answer your prayer more than you want it answered! You don't have to pass a numbers test or a time test. You just need to pray in His will and believe the answer will come. In 1 John 5:14-15 Jesus said – *'This is the boldness which we have toward him, that, if we ask anything according to his will, he listens to us. And if we know that he listens to us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions which we have asked of him.'* If you're not sure what His will is in a situation, then ask God to show you and believe He'll do it. The answer may come as a feeling of peace in your mind about how to pray. You can then pray according to His will in the situation.