

Blessed Be Thou Word Part II

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Keep in mind that we are discussing why Gods word seems to be ineffective in the lives of most believers. (Matthew 9:27-29 / Mark 5:25:34 / James 1: 5-7)

Genesis 2:16-17 ...the LORD God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; 17 but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it you will surely die."

Genesis 3:4-5 ...the serpent said to the woman, "***You will not surely die.*** 5 For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

A lot of believers like to spin the Word to fit their own ideology, theology, and life styles.

2nd Corinthians 11:3 (NASB)...I am afraid that, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, your minds will be led astray from the simplicity and purity of devotion to Christ.

Remember ***Proverbs 8:8-9*** All the utterances of my mouth are in righteousness; There is nothing crooked or perverted in them. 9 ***They are all straightforward to him who understands, And right to those who find knowledge***

Psalms 33:11 The counsel of the LORD stands forever, The plans of His heart to all generations.

(what do you do with the these versus if you believe you can't lose your salvation)

Hebrews 10:26-27 For if we ***sin willfully*** after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, 27 but a certain fearful expectation of judgment, and fiery indignation which will devour the adversaries.

2nd Peter 2:20-21(NIV) If they have escaped the corruption of the world by knowing our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and are again entangled in it and overcome, they are worse off at the end than they were at the beginning. 21 It would have been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than to have known it and then to ***turn their backs*** on the sacred command that was passed on to them.

Hebrews 12:25 See that you do not refuse Him who speaks. For if they did not escape who refused Him who spoke on earth, much more ***shall we not escape*** if we ***turn away*** from Him who ***speaks*** from heaven,

Isaiah 45:9 I have not spoken in secret, In a dark place of the earth; I did not say to the seed of Jacob, 'Seek Me in vain'; I, the LORD, speak righteousness, ***I declare things that are right.***
(just like kids take other sblings word for what the parent said)

I believe the disconnect lies in the fact that we insert ourselves as Judge. We assess what constitutes a righteous man or an unfruitful branch and render that person guilty or innocent using our own precepts. We have to let the righteous Judge sit on His judgment seat and determine man's eternal destiny. **OUR MAIN FOCUS AS BELIEVERS SHOULD BE TO ABIDE AND BEAR MUCH FRUIT GLORIFYING THE FATHER**

Hebrews 10:39 (NIV)we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who believe and are saved. *(thus having eternal security)*

Lastly; Ignorance (lack of knowledge rather) is another reasons why some fail to gain power and strength from God's Word. They simply don't know what his Word says. You heard it said that what you don't know can't hurt you but *Hosea 4:6* says "*My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge*".

Let me share with you some of the wonderful, magnificent, fantastic too good to be true promises He has for us who believe and have faith.

Psalms 1:1-3 BLESSED is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful; 2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night. 3 *He shall be like a tree Planted by the rivers of water, That brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also shall not wither; And whatever he does shall prosper.*

Malachi 3:10-11 Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, That there may be food in My house, *And try Me now in this,*" Says the LORD of hosts, "*If I will not open for you the windows of heaven And pour out for you such blessing That there will not be room enough to receive it. 11 And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, So that he will not destroy the fruit of your ground, Nor shall the vine fail to bear fruit for you in the field,*" Says the LORD of hosts;

Psalms 37:4-5 *Delight yourself* also in the LORD, *And* He shall give you *the desires of your heart.* 5 *Commit your way* to the LORD, *Trust also* in Him, *And* He shall *bring it to pass.*

Jeremiah 33:3 Call to Me, and I will answer you, and *show you great and mighty things,* which you do not know.'

John 15:7 If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, *you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.*

John 17:22 *And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one.*

Romans 8:28 *all things work together for good to those who love God,* to those who are the called according to *His* purpose.

Isaiah 54:17 *No weapon formed against you shall prosper, And every tongue which rises against you in judgment You shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, And their righteousness is from Me," Says the LORD.*

Our goal and objective here at New Creations Fellowship of Christ is to equip you:

...by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, *which is your reasonable service. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind...* (Romans 12:1-2)

That's the very reason why you came here, that's what you came to do. That's why the Lord assembled this body of believer together to be "Transformed by the renewing of our minds" by the Gospel.

Ephesians 1:15-19 For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints, 16 I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. 17 I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you *the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better.* 18 I pray also that the *eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, 19 and his incomparably great power for us who believe.*

In order for us to understand why His word does not seem ineffective for some believers, we must know what His word represents and what His word is.

Jesus Christ is the Word of God:

John 1:1-5 *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. 4 In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. 5 And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.*

John 1:14 *And the Word became 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.*

Revelation 19:11-13 Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him *was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. 12 His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. 13 He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God.*

1st John 1:1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning the **Word of life**

1st John 5:7 For there are three that bear witness in heaven: **the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one.**

His word endures forever:

Psalm 119:152 Concerning thy testimonies, I have known of old that thou hast founded them forever.

Isaiah 40:8 The grass withers, the flower fades, But the word of our God stands forever."

Matthew 5:18 For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled.

Matthew 24:35 Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.

1st Peter 1:25(NASB) BUT THE WORD OF THE LORD ENDURES FOREVER." And this is the word which was preached to you.