

Beatitudes
What The Bible Teaches About Being Blessed

BLESSED IS THE MAN WHO TRUSTS IN THE LORD
PART II

Text: Psalm 34

Introduction:

1. “Where the word *blessed* is hung out as a sign, we may be sure that we shall find a godly man within.” - *Sir Richard Baker*
2. Biblically, the word “blessed” refers to those whose sufficiency comes from God and not from the circumstances of life.
3. The “blessed” are those who inherit the promise made to Abraham by conforming to God’s Will and being added to the body of Christ.
4. This psalm contrasts self-righteousness with God’s righteousness, man’s way with God’s way, and rebellion with submission.

I. God Grants Petitions

- B. God hears the prayers of His children! (vs. 4, 6)
 1. He hears all of His children (vs. 7; 1 Pet. 3:12; Prov. 15:29).
 2. He hears no matter where we are (Jonah 2:1-2; Luke 22:44; Heb. 5:7).
 3. He delights in our prayers (Prov. 15:8).
- C. He will not hear an alien sinner’s prayer (Prov. 15:8, 29; 1 Pet. 3:12; John 9:31).
- C. Thus, blessed is the man who trusts in God, for God will hear his prayers.

II. God Grants Provision

- A. God provides serenity (vs. 4-6; Phil. 4:4-7).
- B. God provides sustenance (Jer. 17:5-9).
- C. God provides salvation (John 3:16; Rom. 6:17-18, 3-4).

III. God Grants Protection

- A. God protects from destruction (2 Kings 6:15-17; 19:32-35; Dan. 6:22; Acts 12:11; 2 Tim. 4:17).
- B. God protects from deception (Psalm 40:1-4; 1 Cor. 3:18; 2:11-13).
- C. God protects from death (Luke 16:22).

Conclusion: *Psalm 84:11-12*

1. God is a Sun...
2. God is a Shield...
3. Thus, we must put our trust in Him!
4. “*O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him*” (Psalm 34:8).