The 28 Blessings of Deuteronomy 28 Part 4

Deuteronomy 28 captures the benefits of a Torah Observant Life and sums them up in 14 Verses.

The beauty of these blessings is that they are corporate and individually focused. YeHoVaH is not only speaking to the nation but to the individuals within the nation.

The blessings are for those who obey, and the curses are for those who disobey.

The people knew what YeHoVaH expected of them, there were no surprises. The people knew when they obeyed, they would be blessed and when they disobeyed, they would be cursed.

The people had incentives to do the right thing and be blessed, but they also could not complain when they disobeyed and experienced the curses because they knew it was of their own doing.

In Deuteronomy, the Laws are summarized and interpreted. Thus, Deuteronomy is, in essence, a Covenant Renewal Document.

We have looked at Blessings 1-13 in the last three teachings. Today, we will look at Blessings 14 -28.

The word Blessings {1293} hk;r;B]

- Brakah, ber-aw-kaw'; from 1288; benediction; By implication prosperity:
- blessing, liberal, pool, present.

Nu 6:23 Speak unto Aaron and unto his sons, saying, On this wise ye shall bless the children of Israel, saying unto them,

Nu 6:24 YeHoVaH bless thee, and keep thee:

Nu 6:25 YeHoVaH make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee:

Nu 6:26 YeHoVaH lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

Nu 6:27 And they shall put **my name** upon the children of Israel; and I will bless them.

- 14. Dt 28:8 YeHoVaH shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses.
- **15.** Dt 28:8 YeHoVaH shall **command the blessing** upon all that thou settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee in the land which YeHoVaH thy God giveth thee.
- **16.** Dt 28:9 YeHoVaH shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of YeHoVaH thy God, and walk in his ways.

Lev 19:2 Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, Ye shall be holy: for I YeHoVaH your God *am holy*.

YeHoVaH's Commandments shall make you HOLY because the Commandments are HOLY.

Ro 7:12 Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good.

- 17. Dt 28:10 And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of YeHoVaH
- **18.** Dt 28:10 And all people of the earth shall ...be afraid of thee.

The next four Blessings 19 - 22 are found in Deuteronomy 28:11.

- Dt 28:11 And YeHoVaH shall make thee (1) plenteous in goods, (2) in the fruit of thy body, and (3) in the fruit of thy cattle, and (4) in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which YeHoVaH sware unto thy fathers to give thee.
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- **20.** Dt 28:11 And YeHoVaH shall make thee **plenteous... in the fruit of thy body**, in the land which YeHoVaH sware unto thy fathers to give thee.
- **21.** Dt 28:11 And YeHoVaH shall make thee **plenteous... in the fruit of thy cattle**, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which YeHoVaH sware unto thy fathers to give thee.
- **22.** Dt 28:11 And YeHoVaH shall make thee **plenteous..in the fruit of thy ground**, in the land which YeHoVaH sware unto thy fathers to give thee.

The next four Blessings 23 - 26 are found in Deuteronomy 28:12.

Dt 28:12 YeHoVaH shall (23) open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and (24) to bless all the work of thine hand: and (25) thou shalt lend unto many nations, and (26) thou shalt not borrow.

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- 28. Dt 28:13 thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath;

<u>if</u> that thou hearken unto the commandments of YeHoVaH thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do *them:*

Dt 28:14 And thou shalt not go aside from any of the words which I command thee this day, to the right hand, or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.