A SEASON OF BLESSING

Part 1: **Living Under the Blessing of God's Covenant**

Scripture: **Deuteronomy 28:1–4 (NKJV)**

Theme: Your Season Doesn't Cancel God's Promise!

INTRODUCTION: GOD IS FAITHFUL IN EVERY SEASON

Have you ever gone through a season when life seemed completely opposite of what you were believing God for? Maybe you've been praying for your family, trusting God for provision, or waiting for a breakthrough, but nothing seems to be changing.

Here's something we must remember: Just because your season doesn't look like God's promise doesn't mean God has forgotten what He said!

Throughout life, we experience different seasons. Some are filled with growth and opportunities, while others require patience, preparation, and faith. Ecclesiastes 3:1 reminds us that there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven.

Abraham understood this. God promised to bless him and make him a great nation, yet Abraham and Sarah waited many years for their son Isaac. Although the years passed, God's promise remained. At the appointed time, Isaac was born, just as God had spoken.

Church, seasons may change, but God's covenant faithfulness never changes!

As we begin our series, A Season of Blessing, we want to understand that God's blessing is more than what we receive. It begins with our relationship with Him and the promises He has established through Jesus Christ.

1. THE BLESSING BEGINS WITH GOD'S COVENANT

Genesis 12:2–3 | Isaiah 51:1–2

When God called Abraham, He promised to bless him, multiply his descendants, and make him a blessing to the nations. What makes this so powerful is that Abraham had not accomplished any of these things when God spoke His promise.

God was establishing a covenant, a binding commitment that establishes a relationship with promises and responsibilities.

Just as marriage is built upon a commitment that remains through changing seasons, God's covenant reveals His faithfulness to what He has spoken.

And here's the wonderful news for us today! Galatians 3:14 teaches that through Jesus Christ, the blessing of Abraham reaches us through faith. Our confidence rests in what God has accomplished through Jesus.

However, we must be careful not to allow discouragement to speak louder than God's Word. Sometimes we pray for our families but begin speaking as though nothing will ever change. We believe God has a purpose for our lives, yet when things don't happen as expected, we begin questioning His faithfulness.

There is a difference between acknowledging what we're going through and allowing our seasons to become the final authority over what we believe about God.

Remember Joshua and Caleb. When the twelve spies entered the Promised Land, they all saw the same obstacles. Ten focused on the giants, but Joshua and Caleb remembered God's promise.

They weren't denying the challenges. They were choosing to trust God!

In the same way, when fear comes, remember 2 Timothy 1:7. When provision seems uncertain, stand upon Philippians 4:19. And when you don't know what tomorrow holds, trust the Lord with all your heart, as Proverbs 3:5 teaches.

Faith doesn't deny what we're facing; faith refuses to let our seasons define God's faithfulness.

2. THE BLESSING FOLLOWS A LIFE OF OBEDIENCE

Deuteronomy 28:1–2 | Genesis 26:1–12

In Deuteronomy 28:2, God told Israel that His blessings would come upon them and overtake them because they obeyed His voice.

The word overtake means to catch up with or reach. What a beautiful picture! Rather than making blessings their pursuit, Israel was called to make obedience their priority.

We see this principle in the life of Isaac. In Genesis 26, Isaac experienced a severe famine. Resources were limited, and leaving the land seemed like the reasonable decision. But God instructed him to remain.

Isaac obeyed, planted his crops, and experienced a remarkable harvest because the Lord blessed him. His harvest was a particular blessing from God, but his example reminds us of the importance of following God's direction even when the future seems uncertain.

Church, obedience is not simply something we talk about on Sunday. It is something we live out every day.

When life isn't going as planned, we remain faithful. When relationships are strained, we choose forgiveness. When opportunities seem limited, we continue preparing for what God has called us to do.

We don't have to compromise our convictions to move forward. We can trust God enough to do what is right and leave the results in His hands.

Never compromise what God has commanded while trying to obtain what God has promised!

3. GOD'S BLESSING EXTENDS TO OUR FAMILIES AND FUTURE

Deuteronomy 28:3–4

God told Israel that His blessings would reach their cities, their fields, their children, and their livelihood. He wanted His people to understand that their covenant relationship with Him mattered in every area of life.

And while these particular promises were given to Israel, they remind us that our relationship with God should influence our homes, our work, our relationships, and the example we leave for the next generation.

Think about planting a small tree. You water it, care for it, and protect it while it's growing. Years later, that tree provides shade and fruit for people who never saw the work it took to grow.

Our faith works much the same way. The seeds we plant today through prayer, obedience, love, and godly example can influence generations to come.

I think about my own family. Years ago, my wife and I decided that we didn't just want to follow Jesus ourselves. We wanted to raise our children to know Him, love Him, and serve Him.

Today, when I look at our children, I see God's goodness. They're saved, following Jesus, serving God, and fulfilling His calling upon their lives.

Church, that's a blessing money cannot buy!

God also reminded Israel of His provision through their harvests and livestock. These represented the resources that sustained their families and supported their future.

For us today, this is a reminder to honor God in our work, manage what He provides wisely, and use our resources to bless others.

The greatest blessing is not simply what God places in our hands, but the opportunity to honor Him with our lives and leave a lasting example for those who follow us.

CON: YOUR SEASON DOESN'T CANCEL GOD'S PROMISE

As we close, remember these three beautiful truths: God's blessing begins with His covenant, obedience demonstrates our trust in His Word, and our faithfulness can influence our families and future generations.

Abraham experienced a waiting season. Isaac faced a season of famine. Joshua and Caleb faced obstacles that seemed impossible to overcome. Yet through every season, God remained faithful.

Maybe you're waiting for an answer to prayer. Perhaps you're believing God for your children, your marriage, your finances, or your future.

Whatever season you're walking through, don't lose sight of the God who loves you and keeps His promises.

Don't measure God's faithfulness by the season you're in. Place your confidence in the God who never fails to keep His Word!

Church, as we begin this Season of Blessing, let's make a fresh commitment to trust God's Word, walk in obedience, and build homes where His presence is honored.

If you've grown discouraged, let today be a day to renew your faith. If you've drifted away from God, come back to Him. And if you've never surrendered your life to Jesus Christ, today is a wonderful opportunity to begin that relationship.

Your season may change, but the God who holds your future never changes!

And through Jesus Christ, we can walk forward with confidence, knowing that our lives are in the hands of a faithful and loving God.