



SOWING SEEDS for the *Kingdom*



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Did you know that God has a New Year's Resolution for you? A few years ago, there was a science fiction movie called *1984*. It was about how "Big Brother" would rule the world in 1984. Well, 1984 passed and "Big Brother" didn't show up. There was another science fiction TV series called *Space 1999* about a colony living on the moon. Then there was another movie about space travel in the year 2001. It was appropriately called *2001 Space Odyssey* with a sequel titled, *2010*.

All of these movies predicted the future, and they were all wrong, However, there is a book that has predicted future events and has been perfectly accurate. It is of course, the Word of God aka Bible!

The Bible reports to us of nations and kings, even using their names, before they were ever born. It tells of the rebirth of the nation of Israel. All the facts of the future that were written in the past have happened, just as written.

If we keep the Word in mind, we should be able to easily ignore all of the disastrous forebodings of failure that the world predicts. While it may be true for some, it will not come near to those of us who are born- again (Psalm 91).

So, what has God promised His children? What has He predicted for their future? The Word says that the Holy Spirit shows the believer "**things to come**" so we should know (John 16:13).

So as you listen to all the earthly "experts" predicting failures, remember that as a Born-again, Blood-washed, Spirit-filled Child of the King...meditate the Word of God, LISTEN to know the truth!

In the Word of God, we are told that Jesus REDEEMED us from the curse of the law (Galatians 3:13). The curse, as described in Deuteronomy 28 can be wrapped up in *death, sickness, and poverty*. Jesus came to bring us life, healing and prosperity. It is our promise for the present and it is our destiny for the future.

With that thought in mind, I want to remind you of a Scripture:

Deuteronomy 30:19 (KJV)

¹⁹ *I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you **life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life**, that both thou and thy seed may live:*

We open the door to **THE BLESSING** in our lives through obedience and faithfulness to God's Word. He wants us to do what He tells us to do and to follow His guidance because He wants us to live in **THE BLESSING**. The devil's desire for your life is put into operation in the same way. when you listen to him (in your mind) and do what he says, you walk out his plan for your life under the curse.

THE BLESSING of God contains life and abundance, wholeness and peace (*shalom*...nothing missing, nothing broken). The devil's plan for you is the curse which brings death and destruction. He is a master of deception, and he covers his lies with the LOGIC of man.

For instance, through the years, I have heard a lot of "reasons" why people don't pay tithes and give offerings. For instance, someone came to a pastor and said that God has spoken to him personally and that he was exempt from tithing until he got all his bills paid. A lady came to her pastor and said that God understood why her family didn't tithe, and He told her it was okay.

Let me say this, NEITHER PERSON heard from the Spirit of God. The reason is that God will NEVER tell us to do something that is directly opposed to His Word. If it wasn't God (and it wasn't), it was either the flesh or a demonic spirit. Either way, the result was the same. Years later both of these families are in poverty...the money they saved (or stole from God) by not paying their tithes became a curse for the blessing of God.

The bottom line is actually quite simple. We implement God's plan for our lives by listening to Him, saying what He says, and acting on His Word. That's called OBEDIENCE. We implement the devil's plan for our lives by listening to him, saying what he says, and acting upon his words. The result is disobedience to God.

**OBEDIENCE TO GOD AND HIS WORD OPENS THE DOOR TO THE BLESSING!
DISOBEDIENCE TO GOD AND HIS WORD OPENS THE DOOR TO THE CURSES!**

Father God has made a New Year's Resolution for you. He has plans for you to have the most successful and wonderful year to date.

2023 may have been a year for you that you would just as soon not remember, however, remember what God says,

Philippians 3:13 (KJV)

¹³ Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,

2023 is gone and 2024 is before us. I personally am willing to DO MORE IN 2024...more obedience to His Word...more faithfulness in my job assignment...more being in tune with what He is telling me...more ways to reach more people for the Kingdom of God!

REMEMBER, YOUR BEST DAYS ARE AHEAD OF YOU!

John 16:13 (KJV)

¹³ Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

John 10:10 (KJV)

¹⁰ The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

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KATHY AND I DECREE YOU BLESSED IN JESUS NAME!