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## **“Blessed Ones” (3)**

*“The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.” (Numbers 6:24-26)*

### **The Obedience Factor**

**James 1:25** – “But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.”

<b>Those Who Look at &amp; Persevere in God’s Ways are Blessed</b>
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### **Faithfulness & Frailty**

**Numbers 12:1-8** – (1) “Miriam and Aaron spoke against Moses because of the Cushite woman whom he had married, for he had married a Cushite woman. (2) And they said, ‘Has the LORD indeed spoken only through Moses? Has he not spoken through us also?’ And the LORD heard it. (3) Now the man Moses was very meek, more than all people who were on the face of the earth. (4) And suddenly the LORD said to Moses and to Aaron and Miriam, ‘Come out, you three, to the tent of meeting.’ And the three of them came out. (5) And the LORD came down in a pillar of cloud and stood at the entrance of the tent and called Aaron and Miriam, and they both came forward. (6) And he said, ‘Hear my words: If there is a prophet among you, I the LORD make myself known to him in a vision; I speak with him in a dream. (7) Not so with my servant Moses. He is faithful in all my house. (8) With him I speak mouth to mouth, clearly, and not in riddles, and he beholds the form of the LORD. Why then were you not afraid to speak against my servant Moses?’”

**Psalms 103:10-14** – (10) “He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. (11) For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; (12) as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. (13) As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him. (14) For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.”

## **Obedience in Approach**

**Isaiah 1:18-20** – (18) “Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. (19) If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; (20) but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be eaten by the sword; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.”

**1 John 1:9** – “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”

## **Obedience Objections:**

### **(1) “God’s Commands are Harsh”**

“For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome.” (1 John 5:3)

### **(2) “I can’t be perfect” or “No one’s perfect”**

“You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.”  
(Matthew 5:48)

“Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all defilement of flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.” (2 Corinthians 7:1 NKJV)

### **(3) I’m under ‘Grace’**

“For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age,”  
(Titus 2:11-12)

## **Questions:**

What impacted me the most in this message?

Is my heart sensitive in regards to obeying God? (Gen. 22:12;  
1 Samuel 15:22)

Do I realize that I am going to be obedient to someone? (Rom. 6:16)