

Message Notes

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Origin Story: *Blessed To Bless*
Genesis 47:27-49:28
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- Genesis _____ with & _____ with a _____ . Gen 1:28-31; 49:28
- Before Jacob dies, he blesses his 2 _____ & his _____ .

By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each of Joseph's sons, and worshiped as he leaned on the top of his staff. Hebrews 11:21

Jacob With Joseph & Joseph's Two Sons (Genesis 48)

- Jacob _____ when God Almighty blessed _____ at Bethel. Gen 48:3-4
- Jacob _____ Manasseh & Ephraim as his own _____ . Gen 48:5-14
- Jacob puts Ephraim _____ Manasseh & _____ them. Gen 48:15-20
- Jacob gives Joseph a piece of _____ in the _____ land. Gen 48:22; 50:25

All these are the twelve tribes of Israel, and this is what their father said to them when he blessed them, giving each the blessing appropriate to him. Genesis 49:28

Jacob With All His Twelve Sons (Genesis 49)

- Jacob (Israel) _____ Reuben, Simeon or Levi. Gen 49:2-7
- Jacob briefly speaks words over _____ of his other _____. Gen 49:13-21,27
- Jacob's greatest blessings are for _____ & _____. Gen 49:7-12, 22-26
- Through _____, God will send His _____ to rule & bless the world.

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. Ephesians 1:3

Living Under The Blessing

- Good news: in _____, we too can _____ the blessing. John 1:16; Eph 1:3
- When we _____ in Jesus, He blesses us to be a blessing to _____ .

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5 Elements Of The Blessing

The blessing as described in Scripture included these five elements (Special thanks to John Trent & Gary Smalley for their book entitled, *The Blessing*)

Meaningful Touch

Appropriate physical warmth and affection

Spoken Words

Verbalizing a positive and love message (spoken or written)

Expressing High Value

Communicating that one is valued and accepted

Picturing A Special Future

Helping one see and believe they can live a fruitful life

An Active Commitment

Willingness to do everything possible to help one be successful

Personal Evaluation

(Circle the number that describes your practice with a specific loved one right now)

Do I give them appropriate meaningful touch? rarely 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 often

Do I speak & write words of blessing to them? rarely 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 often

Am I expressing high value to them? seldom 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 often

Have I pictured a special future with them? seldom 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 often

Overall, my commitment level to them is? low 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 high