

Genesis 12:1-3

¹ Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go forth from your country, And from your relatives And from your father's house, To the land which I will show you; ² And I will make you a great nation, And I will bless you, And make your name great; And so you shall be a blessing; ³ And I will bless those who bless you, And the one who curses you I will curse. And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

This is the first of the theocratic covenants that God made. There is no condition in this covenant, and it is solely based on God and His Word. In order to better understand why God made this covenant to Abram, look with me at **Romans 9:15-16**, ¹⁵ **For He says to Moses, "I WILL HAVE MERCY ON WHOM I HAVE MERCY, AND I WILL HAVE COMPASSION ON WHOM I HAVE COMPASSION."** ¹⁶ **So then it *does not depend on the man who wills or the man who runs, but on God who has mercy.*** We must never forget that our God is a Sovereign God. He and He alone is in complete and total control. He has a plan that, He is working out for His purposes. Part of that plan was the institution of this covenant to Abram and his descendants. If you are a believer in Jesus Christ, then you are part of that covenant promise. Look with me earlier in this chapter to verse **6**, **But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For they are not all Israel who are *descended* from Israel;** ⁷ **neither are they all children because they are Abraham's descendants, but: "THROUGH ISAAC YOUR DESCENDANTS WILL BE NAMED."** ⁸ **That is, it is not the children of the flesh who are children of God, but the children of the promise are regarded as descendants.**

Our God through His mercy and grace has made a way for each of us to be blessed. Many believers never walk in the fullness of that blessing either due to sin or a lack of knowledge. Still others, because they simply don't believe. The Jewish people are all about the blessing. They understand the blessing so much more than the average Christian believer. I understand that many Jewish couples are married on Tuesday, because when the Lord was creating the earth; He said it was good twice on the third day! Every thing they do is to capture the blessings of God. Can you say the same thing about yourself? Parents, do you teach your children as we are commanded in God's word? Do you take the time to instruct them about being obedient to our God, with the promise of blessings to those who obey? Beloved, I actually believe every word that is written in God's Word!! I seek daily to be a biblical miner, to go and seek the hidden treasures that are within the scriptures. Why? Because I am confident that within those Holy verses are the very answers to every question that I face in this life. I'm not hoping that it is true, because I have already discovered the authenticity of the Word of God in my own life.

God designed from the beginning to bless His children. He has already given to us every tool that we will need to fulfill the plans and destiny over each of our lives. I exhort you to take the time to discover His promises for yourself! Don't let another day go by where you are missing what He has for you. Don't be another believer who goes to heaven and discovers, that there was so much more the Lord wanted to do, here, in their lives!