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Lesson Text: Ephesians 1

**SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS IN THE HEAVENLY PLACES**

1. **There Are Different Levels In The Ministry**
  - a. Different levels of the ministry = different levels of anointings (power)
  - b. We all don't have the same depth in the Spirit
  - c. Depth in the Spirit comes from the knowledge of the word of God and spiritual experience
  - d. Knowledge + spiritual experience = An anointing or positions Eph 4:11
  
2. **The Knowledge Must Be Based On the Word of God**
  - a. Knowledge can puff up, must need knowledge in the word of God I Cor 8:1
  - b. We need knowledge of the word + spiritual experience
  - c. Trouble comes when one is looking for a spiritual experience without the knowledge of the word of God
  - d. We must have the spirit of wisdom & revelation Eph 1:17  
**in the knowledge of Him**
  - e. It's very dangerous to be a prophet and not know the word of God, another spirit besides the Holy Spirit will be in operation
  - f. For this cause many false prophets are gone out into the world I John 4:1
  - g. The positions consist of apostles (bishops), prophets, evangelist, pastors and teachers Eph 4:11
  - h. The Corinthians were carnal and were not qualified in this group of these different levels of anointings in the ministry I Cor 3:1-3  
Eph 4:11
  
3. **With God On Our Side & Through it All, We Will Be Found Standing**
  - a. You can be illuminated, but you must maintain that illumination and grow
  - b. You could lose that illumination
  - c. When you see others going through, be patient with them Gal 6:1-2  
because you never know what is going to come your way
  - d. You will go through persecution, misunderstanding, disappointment, tribulation, and when all that is over you have got to be found standing II Cor 4:8-10
  - e. Those things were meant to make you fall John 10:10
  - f. Those were curve balls from Satan
  - g. Judge nothing before the time, just wait, and give it time I Cor 4:5



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**4. The Difference Between The Jews & Modern Christians Is The Jews Know Who God Is**

- a. Paul says, "God our Father" Eph 1:2
- b. The Jews never had a problem knowing who God is John 8:41
- c. Today Christians have a problem believing who God is
- d. Modern day Christians believe that Jesus is God
- e. The Jews never had a problem differentiating between God and Jesus
- f. The Jews had a problem with Jesus because Jesus made himself equal with God, and the Jews wanted to stone him John 5:18  
John 10:31-33
- g. The Jews know today who God is
- h. When a believer is confused about their foundation on who God is, that believer will be confused about everything else concerning salvation, doctrine of God, etc.

**5. There Are Two Types of Blessings**

- a. Spiritual Blessings- You receive these blessings when you have a desire for them
  - i. Jesus said, "Seek ye first the kingdom...." Matt 6:33
  - ii. God wants to bless us with all spiritual blessings Eph 1:3
  - iii. All the people in this verse must know about spiritual blessings Eph 4:11
  - iv. **Heavenly places**= Means in the church Eph 1:3
    - 1. This also could be in heaven Eph 1:20
    - 2. The high places are also heavenly places Eph 6:12
    - 3. The power of the Highest is the greatest power over those principalities and powers in Eph 6:12 Eph 1:19-21
    - 4. Types of heavenly places **in the CHURCH**
      - a. Tuesday night corporate prayer & service
      - b. Choir Rehearsal
      - c. Friday night corporate prayer & service
      - d. Sunday CE, Morning & Evening Service
      - e. That's why when you come to church, you get delivered, Illuminated, healed, saved, and blessed
- b. Natural Blessings- Material blessings

**6. Fasting Helps Us To Deny The World**

- a. Love not the world I John 2:15-17
- b. While fasting, be careful of what you watch on TV & music you listen to
- c. Fasting is a sacrifice & time off from the world
- d. God wants to give you power
- e. Jesus said, there is a reward for forsaking all & being persecuted Mk 10:28-30