CHILDREN AS ARROWS – 6 Blessing Your Children

Proverbs 10:22 (NKJV)

"The blessing of the Lord is an intangible thing, that when mixed with faith affects tangible things."

[WHAT IS A BLESSING?]

- 1. Gods favor and honor in our lives (Grace!)
- 2. Gods acceptance and forgiveness Romans 4:7-8 (ref)
- 3. Any promise from God is a blessing 2 Corinthians 1:20 (ref)
 - Why is a promise a blessing? Because what God promises, he also performs. Romans 4:20-21 (ref)

[HOW DOES GOD BLESS?]

By saying...

Genesis 1:20-22... He blessed them by saying...

Genesis 12:1-3 (NKJV)

Seven promises / "I will..."

Galatians 3:13-14

Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree: That **the blessing** of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive **the promise** of the Spirit **through faith**.

Numbers 6:22-27 (NKJV)

Bless them saying...

[BLESSINGS ARE PASSED ON BY SAYING AND LAYING ON OF HANDS]

- 1. Isaac blessed Jacob vs. Esau Genesis 27:32-34 (ref)
- 2. Jacob blesses Joseph's two sons (Manasseh and Ephraim) Genesis 48:9-20 (ref)

[BLESSING OUR CHILDREN]

"I promise to..."

- 1. ...Love you for who you are and for who God created you to be.
- 2. ... Always deal with ME before I deal with you.
- 3. ...Remember that my words are seeds and so I will **speak blessings** over you, to you, and to others. (Proverbs 18:20-21; Ephesians 4:29)
- 4. ...Love you through **your humanity**. I understand that we all fall and fail. (Proverbs 24:16)
- 5. ...Be an example of <u>righteousness</u> and <u>repentance</u>. (1 Corinthians 11:1; Ephesians 5:1-2)
- 6. ... **Support** and not **smother** you as you journey through life.
- 7. ... Pray God's Word over you.
- 8. ...Launch you into **your destiny** when the time is right.