

Has Satan Hacked Into Your Spiritual Bank Account? Part 1

Has the devil hacked into your spiritual bank account? Has he stolen the heavenly benefits given to you by Jesus? I guess before we can rightly answer these questions we need to remind ourselves just what our spiritual benefits are. Let's look to Psalm 103: 2-5 to find out. "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies, who satisfies your mouth with good things, so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's." This is quite the list; let's examine the first three today.

1. He forgives our iniquities. Iniquities means perversity, depravity or sin. How could the enemy steal your forgiveness? First, he can't steal your forgiveness, but he will twist God's promise to forgive to get you to believe you are not forgiven or cannot be forgiven. How does he do this? By whispering falsehoods to your mind until you accept his lies that God holds confessed sins against you. But according to 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." How do we take back what Satan has hacked from our account concerning forgiveness? We have to make a quality decision to rightly judge God's character—He does not lie—and correctly divide the Word of God and call Satan what he truly is: a liar, and then make the all-important choice to believe God is truth.

"You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in

him. When he lies, he speaks from his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies" (John 8:44).

"God is not a man, that He should lie, nor a son of man, that He should repent. Has He spoken, and will He not it? Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good?" (Num. 23:19).

2. He heals all our diseases. "To heal" means to cure, repair or to make whole. And Jesus healed us from all disease when He shed His blood for us at the whipping post. "Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed" (Isa. 53:4-5).

How does Satan steal our healing from us? There are many ways he does this, but it is always through the way of doubt and unbelief. And what does James 1:6-8 say regarding doubt? "But let him ask in faith, without wavering. For he who wavers is like a wave of the sea, driven and tossed with the wind. Let not that man think that he will receive anything from the Lord. A double-minded man is unstable in all his ways."

And do as Sarah does in Hebrews 11:11, "By faith Sarah herself also received the ability to conceive seed, and she bore a child when she was past the age, because she judged Him faithful who had promised."

There comes a point in each of our lives when we have to face the facts: We either believe or we don't. Some people have hearts that are very soft and pliable to the ways of the Lord and therefore, they readily believe the promise of God for healing and immediately receive, while others have issues that need to be worked through in order for them to believe and receive their miracle from God. But either way, God is patient and long-suffering with us, and is willing to work with us wherever we are spiritually. So I encourage you to work on

your faith level; study God's healing promises until His promise to heal is more real to you than the disease attacking your being.

3. He redeems our life from destruction. "Destruction" means corruption, the grave and the pit of hell. And "redeem" means to avenge and to pay ransom. To avenge is to inflict harm on behalf of (oneself or someone else previously wronged or harmed). And Jesus definitely did so for us at Calvary. And He paid ransom with His blood to redeem us from the clutches of the enemy.

How can the enemy steal this redemption from people? By causing them not to believe and receive this plan of redemption that He so richly gave to us.

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life" (John 3:16).

Jesus answered and said to him, "Truly, truly I say to you, unless a man is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God" (John 3:3).

"The Lord does not delay [as though He were unable to act] and is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is [extraordinarily] patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance" (2 Pet. 3:9, AMP).

The Bible tells us in Romans 10:9-10 that, "If you confess with your mouth Jesus is Lord, and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved, for with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."

"I have written these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God. This is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we

ask anything according to His will, He hears us" (1 John 5:13-14).

Ultimately, it is your decision to receive or to reject His plan of redemption. I pray you will make the right choice and believe and receive Jesus as your Savior this day.

In closing, in order to prevent Satan from stealing our benefits, or to take back what he has stolen from us we have to make a decision with each of the benefits to believe God's Word and live according to the faith we have in His ways. It's our decision to believe or not, but wisdom tells us that God's ways are best for us and for those around us. We will continue on in activating our spiritual benefits in the next post. For now, make sure you do your part in these first three benefits: believe and receive them. {eo}

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