June 31, 2020 Deuteronomy Chapter 28:1-37 Fellowship, Blessed Or Broken

PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICAL APPLICATION

When Israel entered the Promised Land every type of productivity would be under either blessing or curse: children, crops, and livestock. The Bible clearly teaches that the blessing of children is from God alone.

Blessing under the Mosaic covenant was conditional upon the people's obedience.

Disobeying the Lord can be equated with forsaking Him.

There is pleasure in sin for a season, see Hebrews 11:24-26, however, true human happiness comes only from obeying the Lord. No middle ground.

Someone may ask, what is the Lord's purpose in all of the curses? The goal of the curses was to turn Israel from disobedience. Proverbs 3:11 states, "Do not despise the LORD's instruction, my son, and do not loathe His discipline." (HCSB) Hebrews 12:6, "For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives." (ESV)