

“Spiritual Barriers That Block Your Blessings”

Mark 2:1-12

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There is not a day that goes by when I am not approached by someone raising the question as to when their blessing, from God, is coming. They wonder what they are doing to block the blessings they feel are deserved. Statements like “I’m too blessed to be stressed,” yet they are full of stress and their blessings are blocked. Does God block our blessings because He delights in our suffering, our doing without? Does God withhold our blessings because He wants us to beg? Does God refrain from blessing us because He is unaware of our needs? Why does God delay or deny our blessings when we feel we are doing His will? Living right! Worshipping Him! Praising Him! Loving our neighbor?

What are some of the spiritual barriers that possibly may be blocking your blessings? My personal assessment is that each time I learn what spiritual barriers I have constructed between my blessings and me, and I remove that barrier then my blessings flow abundantly.

I want to use the text in Mark 2:1-12 to demonstrate what can happen when we overcome, tear down, destroy, annihilate barriers which block our blessings.

There are many spirits in the world which compete with the Holy Spirit for our attention and these other spirits, when we allow them, become spiritual barriers which block our blessings from God.

I. A Covetous Spirit Is a Barrier to Blessings – Joshua 7:16-26

II. A Rebellious Spirit Is a Barrier to Blessings

III. An Indifferent Spirit Is a Barrier to Blessings – Acts 18:12-17;

Psalms 122:1; Hebrews 10:25

IV. A Disobedient Spirit Is a Barrier to Blessings – I Kings 15:10-35

V. An Unforgiving Spirit Is a Barrier to Blessings – Luke 23:34

These are only five spiritual barriers which may be blocking your blessings. I am certain that there are more that you can find once you get alone with God, and ask Him to show you what the spiritual barriers are, in you, which are blocking your blessings.

When God reveals these barriers then immediately remove them. How?

1. Recognize that there is a barrier.
2. Accept that you created the barrier.
3. Learn how not to refrain from constructing future barriers.
4. Learn the lesson God may have intended for you to learn by withholding the blessings.
5. Ask God to assist you to remove the barrier.
6. Prepare to receive your blessings, then give God thanks and praise while you share your blessings with others.