

Hope Chapel Series – “Our Season to Bless” - Part 4

Message Summary: Passing a blessing on to someone comes directly from God and His design for humanity. Blessings can encompass elements of love, spoken affirmation, and unique encouragement from person to person or parent to their children. Perhaps you’ve heard of it within the Old Testament or other parts of the Bible. And, you might be thinking to yourself... *That seems outdated or like something that doesn’t matter for me anymore.* If you have, you’re not alone. While blessings contain roots in ancient history, they still serve a very purposeful role in our world and even in your life. We continue our series with ways to pass a blessing on to others.

Passing a Blessing On Numbers 6:24-26

1. Called to bless others

1 Peter 3:8-9; Matthew 5:44-45; Romans 12:20-21

2. Receiving a blessing from others

Luke 10:5-6; Matthew 10:12-13

3. Giving a blessing to others

Romans 10:14,17

A. **SCRIPTURE:** Sharing Bible verses that bless.

2 Timothy 3:16,17; 1 Thessalonians 2:13; 1 Peter 4:11

B. **AFFIRMATION:** Kind words that build people up.

Ephesians 4:19; Romans 14:19; Proverbs 10:20-22

C. **EXPRESSION:** Written notes that make an impression.

Romans 16; Colossians 4:12-18; Proverbs 25:11

LifeGroup QUESTIONS: All LifeGroups are on Summer Break

OPEN IT (5min) - What advice would you give to someone who wanted some practical wisdom on how to get along with others?

EXPLORE IT (60min) – Review Sunday’s sermon outline and allow the group to share their notes and comments. Now answer the following questions:

1. How often do you compliment other?
2. How do you usually respond when someone compliments you?
3. Describe a time a Scripture verse given by someone blessed you.
4. Have each person in the group share a time they blessed someone with the words they used.
5. What evidence from your group shows that God is still blessing the world through Christians?

APPLY IT (15min) - Whom do you need to love and bless this week even though he or she has hurt you? Have your group pray with you now for God’s help to bless them.