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(What Do You Do...?)

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Album: Amazing Faith 'n' Freedom

“For to you it has been granted on behalf of Christ, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake, ” -- Philippians 1: 29 New KJV

.. "Therefore know that the LORD your God, He *is* God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments. -- Deuteronomy 7:9

CHORUS

What do you do? What do you DO when blessings don't come to you?
What do you DO when you've prayed and prayed, but
God still won't do things your way?
What do you DO?
What do you do? What do you DO when you can't see God's blessings?
Will you trust God? Trust in His Love, OR get angry? Turn away?
What do you DO?

1

What will you **CHOOSE** to do with Luke 24, verse 26?
What do you DO, knowing Jesus was "blessed with"
dying on a Cross to bring YOU righteousness?

What WILL you do? What WILL you CHOOSE? Faith, Trust, or leaving God?

Luke 24: selection from 18-26, after the crucifixion, along the road: Then the one whose name was Cleopas answered and said to Him, "*Are You the only stranger in Jerusalem, and have You not known the things which happened there in these days?*" And JESUS said to them, "*What things?*" And they said to Him, "*The things concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a Prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered Him to be condemned to death, and crucified Him. But we were hoping that it was He who was going to redeem Israel.....*" Then Jesus said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! **Ought not the Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into His glory?**" -- Luke 24: from 18 to 26.

2

What will you **CHOOSE** to do with First Peter 2, Verse 20?
What do you DO with God's promise that you SHALL suffer if you follow Jesus?

What WILL you do? What WILL you CHOOSE? Faith, Trust, or leaving God?

First Peter 2: 20 - 23 "For what credit is it if, when you are beaten for your faults, you take it patiently? But **when** you do good and **suffer**, if you take it patiently, this is commendable before God. For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow in His steps: Who committed no sin, Nor was deceit found in His mouth"; who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him [God] who judges righteously..." --First Peter 2: 20-23

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3 ECHO: *What do you do? What do you DO?*

What will you **CHOOSE** to do with First Thessalonians 3, Verse 3?

What do you DO with God's telling that you must be faithful through suffering?

What WILL you do? What WILL you CHOOSE? Faith, Trust, or leaving God?

First Thessalonians 3: 2 - 4 "[We] sent Timothy, our brother and minister of God, and our fellow laborer in the gospel of Christ, to establish you and encourage you concerning your faith that no one should be shaken by these afflictions; for you yourselves know that **we are appointed to this**. For, in fact, we told you before when we were with you that we would suffer tribulation, just as it happened, and you **know**." -- First Thessalonians 3: 2 - 4

4 ECHO: *Will you trust God? Trust in His Love? Or get angry? Turn away? What do you do?*

What will you **CHOOSE** to do with John 16's warning to YOU?

What do you DO with Jesus saying that **Church** may be a place where you're hurt the worst?

What WILL you do? What WILL you CHOOSE?

What WILL you do? What WILL you CHOOSE? Faith, Trust, or leaving God?

John 16: 1 - 2 Jesus is speaking: "These things I have spoken to you, that you should not be made to stumble. They **will put you out of the synagogues**; yes, the time is coming that whoever kills you will think that he offers God service." --John 16: 1 - 2

5 ECHO: *What do you do when you CAN'T see God's blessings? Will you trust God? Trust in His Love? Or get angry? Turn away? What do you do?*

What will you **CHOOSE** to do with First Peter Four, Verse 19?

What do you DO knowing God might wait? Let you suffer, in God's Plan? Like Jesus?

What WILL you do? What WILL you CHOOSE?

What WILL you do? What WILL you CHOOSE? Faith, Trust, or leaving God?

First Peter 4:19 New Living Translation. "So if you are suffering in a manner that pleases God, keep on doing what is right, and trust your lives to the God who created you, for he will never fail you." and Deuteronomy 7:9 -- "Therefore know that the LORD your God, He is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments." Deuteronomy 7, verse 9

Song Story, PART 1

Were you as surprised to find Jesus's words in John 16:1 and 2 as I was? JESUS says that if you fervently love God, you might be considered too much of a RADICAL for the "normal" church. The time is fast approaching when today's Church will have to tell God why they focused on blessings more than holiness.

Why the church taught self-centeredness and so-called tolerance in the name of Love rather than God's call to holiness YET STILL with a **TRUE LOVE** for all persons while speaking God's Truth to them -- see Ephesians 4:15.

It is TRUE -- God oh so abundantly blesses us... Jesus promised that too, such as in John 10:10, for abundant life. God's definition of "blessings" goes far beyond money and things and popularity!

Jesus says we are granted the HONOR of following in His steps, which includes

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NOT being popular with some people and churches. One day God will ask The Church Body of Christ if we taught His Full Word... and before you start fearing your inadequacy, remember His promises like James 1:5. Just ask. God will give You the wisdom and His words to speak His Truth. Even though your blessings may not be what the world calls "normal." What is faith? TRUSTING GOD in Whatever. Trusting His love even when you don't YET see blessings you had hoped for. FIRST PETER 4:19 -- GOD WILL NEVER FAIL YOU. Deuteronomy 7 verse 9. GOD IS FAITHFUL. Even when our human eyes don't yet see God's very, very real blessings.

SUPPORTING SCRIPTURES

Matthew 24 -- "And Jesus answered and said to them: "Take heed that no one deceives you. "For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many. And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. All these are the beginning of sorrows. **Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and kill you, and you will be hated by all nations for My name's sake.**"

-- Matthew 24. *Already true in many countries in the 21st century where Christ followers are killed including in the name of religion.]*

Second Timothy 2: 12.

"If we endure, We shall also reign with Him. If we deny Him, He also will deny us."

Song Story, PART 2: The inspiration for these song words is pretty simple: I'm a parent. And I've thought about this Blessings Question a lot in churches that keep preaching about blessings and seed -- **even though that IS ALL TRUE** -- it **IS** in God's Word that He WANTS to bless us and that God DID establish "the principle of seedtime and harvest."

BUT ----- All of us who are parents, or just care about others, have a **special insight into the BLESSINGS QUESTION:**

- How do you feel when your children come to you only when they want "stuff" from you?
- How do you feel when they go away until they once again want something from you?
- How do you feel when they tell you that you are OBLIGATED to meet their every desire?
- How do you feel when you say "I love you SO much!" and they ignore you or say "un huh."?

How does GOD feel when we do that to Him ?

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