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Gen. 9:25-27

OBJECTIVES

Primarily, this lesson is to help every Christian examine concepts and causative factors of parental blessings and curses, considering their impact and implications in life. Secondly, it will give Christians the advantage of overcoming the things that attract parental curses while investing on those that engender parental blessings. And in the long run, shall birth a blissful family and a responsible society.

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INTRODUCTION

“Honour your father and your mother, that your days may belong upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you.”

Exo. 20:12

Blessings and curses are inherent in parents, and can be provoked at any time depending on circumstances. In provoking the blessings of God upon your life, there are two sets of people you must recognise as carriers or custodians of your blessings. They are your parents who brought you up and preserved you for a life time and men of God who nurture you in faith and lead you in the paths of destiny. God has given them the words and unction over your life and your future. For the purpose of this book, we shall look closely on parental blessings as the foundation to every other blessing that may be required in life.

Your parents do not need to be gospel ministers before they can pray over you or bless your life. Their blessings and good wishes must be regarded at high esteem for who they are in the process of child upbringing. No medicated soap can wash away parental blessings or curses, just as priesthood blessings cannot override or replace parental blessings. Most of us have been very unfair to our parents forgetting that when anything happens to us, our parents do not sleep well.

However, whilst blessings are often always pronounced, curses related topics are unusual but curses are real. Parental curses can profoundly affect the very structure of reality in some way because its impact can lead to drastic spiritual, emotional and psychological experience. But being blessed is a pleasant experience worth investing, especially, parental blessings.

CONCEPTS:

Parents

A parent is the father or mother of an offspring, biological, foster or spiritual. A biological father and mother are by nature, your original parents who carried you in the womb and took care of you. God gave you to them as caretakers. Foster parents are like step mothers, step fathers, uncles, aunties, guardian, etc. These are those who play the role of parents in their absence or by reason of incapacitation. They include firstborns, elder siblings, masters, madams, bosses, etc. Spiritual Parents include men and women of God who speak over your life. They can also protect destiny and promote your progress. In the same way, we have biological, foster and spiritual children. All of them deserve blessings not curses.

Parents are caregivers especially the father being a provider and your mother being a caregiver. Your parents are your first destiny helpers. Your parents normally have more understanding of you because they know you more than anyone else.

Parental blessing

Parental blessings refer to positive forces seen and unseen that follow you and bring you good (luck) through positive words spoken forth and sometimes good intentions and meditations over your life by those with parental authority over you. Parental authority may come from any person who has a parental relationship with you, whether biological or otherwise. They must have played the role of parent positively as provided by our creator. Some people lose their biological parents at a tender age. This is why parental authority does not have to do only with who carried you in her womb for the whole nine months.

Parental blessings are destiny verdicts issued by a parent on a child. In order of hierarchy, after God, your parents come next. It does not matter if they are behaving the way

you want or not, if they bless you; you are blessed and if they do otherwise no prayer can help you except you repent and follow the ways of the Lord.

Abraham didn't bless Isaac so God had to bless him again with the blessing of his father but Isaac did not make the mistake, he blessed his sons having known the impact thereof (Genesis 27: 27-29, 40). Jacob demonstrated this very well by prophesying on his children (Genesis 49; 3-27)

Parental blessing is the blessing of your parents over your life and destiny. They are not mere words but destiny pictures released for fulfilment of purpose and destiny. The blessing of a parent could be a silent wish by to encourage your success and promote your existence. These are not mere words but the heart of your parents being with you.

Parental Curses

Curses are spiritual pronouncements and expressions that emotionally and psychologically affect those who experience them. They impact on the child negatively causing them to gradually lose deep feelings of pride on their parents. It pushes children away from their homes thereby causing a deep sense of loss over their ancestors and family. Examples of parental curses can be seen in the expressions of Lot over Ham, his son and over his descendant, Canaan, Gen. 9:25. It also came up when Jacob spoke to his children before he died, Gen. 49:3-27.

STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM:

Character Check

"There is a generation that curseth their father, and doth not bless their mother.

There is a generation that are pure in their own eyes, and yet is not washed from their filthiness.

There is a generation, o how lofty are their eyes! and their eyelids are lifted up. There is a generation, whose teeth are as swords, and their jaw teeth as knives, to devour the poor from off the earth, and the needy from among them."

Prov. 30:11-14

There is a problem about the character and attitude of most children, youths in our families and society, including Christians. A good number of them are devoid of good moral standing and expected norms of behaviour toward the elderly, and even their parents. They sow negative seeds for their lives, using their hands through their attitudes to attract dangerous forces of bad character. The following attributes form part of their normal lifestyles in the homes and in the society:

1. Abusiveness

Some youths are extremely offensive and insulting to their parents. They have become rude in character, insolent, disrespectful, defamatory, slanderous and blasphemous. Engaging in or characterised by habitual violence and cruelty. Many parents have been subjected to ridicule by these abusive tendencies and habitual slanderous attitudes consequent upon their children's behaviour.

"The eye that mocks his father, And scorn obedience to his mother, The ravens of the valley will pick it out, And the young eagles will eat it.

Prov. 30:17

2. Stubbornness

A good number of Christian youths, just like most of those in the world seem very stubborn to their parents. They are determined to do what they want, refusing to do anything else. Parents find this stubborn nature very hard and difficult to deal with, hence, also develop an antidote, a defensive strategy that keeps them off these sort of children. This attitude of being difficult to move, change or deal with is dangerous on family relationships and parental coexistence.

"If a man has a stubborn and rebellious son who will not obey the voice of his father or the voice of his mother, and who, when they have chastened him, will not heed them, then his father and his mother shall take hold of him and bring him out to the elders of the city, to the gate of his city. And they shall say to the elders of the city, This son of ours is stubborn and rebellious; he will not obey our voice; he is a glutton and a drunkard. Then all the men of his city shall stone him to death with stones; so you shall put away the evil from among you, and all Israel hear and fear."

Deut. 21:18-21;

3. Neglect of Instructions

Sadly, we have certain children and youths who have obviously over grown instruction and correction. They have become adamant and defensive, protecting and justifying the outcome of their attitudes whether good or bad. These class of people become nuisance to their families and their possible environments. This particular attribute have become the major challenge and face-off between parents and most grown up children in the home.

*"A wise son heareth his father's instruction:
but a scorner heareth not rebuke."*

Prov. 13:1

4. **Undue Pressure**

In some other development, some children have exerted undue pressure on their parents through the company they choose to keep, choice of friends, inability to cope in school or trade and more so, keeping with bad gangs. These seems to invade and expose family policies, thereby, forcing parents into unwanted expenses, debts, police invasion, environmental attack and additional cost of living. Subsequently, some parents may be prone to sleepless nights, strong thoughts, terminal diseases and many more life threats capable of placing them on a disadvantaged position.

*“And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed
By the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is
that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.”*
Rom. 12:2

5. **Undue Advantage**

Some children also take undue advantage of their parents by stealing family properties, deception, forceful requests, raising children without responsibility and coercing parents to act their will. Most of the children take undue advantage of their simplicity and kind gesture to fight parents, embarrass and subject them to ridicule in the society. This sometimes, changes the nature of caring parents to heartless beings who may not be ready to compromise, hence, reducing family ties to nothing.

*“Cursed is the one who treats his father of his mother
With contempt, And all the people shall say, Amen!”*
Prov. 27:16

Suffice us as Christians to say that these attitudes and many more are all negative tendencies capable of tearing homes apart and pushing relations into serious unjustifiable behaviours devoid of love and peaceful

coexistence. Rather than blend and move on in peace, these attributes exposes children and Christian youths to negative parental feelings, thereby, generating offensive relationships between them. And if this is left unchecked for too long, parental curses may replace blessings which may afterwards, result in generational curses; what a tragedy to check on time.

“For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou has rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from being king.”

FOUNDATIONS AND PILLARS OF PARENTAL BLESSINGS

Ways to access and provoke parental blessings
“Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. Honour thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise; That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.”
Eph. 6:1-3

There are foundations and pillars to parental blessings. These are common traits and normal behavioural principles capable of raising the banner of blessings and flying the flag of favour over those who obey. They establish a child on a strong ground with support and also open doors to divine sustenance. Foundations to parental blessings guarantee stability, assurance and boldness. These common attributes energies, attract, sustain and nurture the blessings of God through parents to their off springs and dependencies.

1. Love

The first foundation of parental blessing is love towards them and having them love you in return. This goes in return for the unconditional love they bestowed on you while you were young. This attribute can engender strong feelings of love from parents. You can access your parental blessings by loving your parents and appreciating them. Children are expected to cultivate lifestyles that will make parents become proud of them. You cannot have parental blessings if the people who have parental authorities over you are sad due to your life.

*"A wise son makes a father glad,
But a foolish man despises his mother"*
Prov. 15:20

2. Obedience

Children are trained to show their parents obedience and humility. This implies compliance with applicable order and rules. Being polite with requests and submission to laws and authorities. Obedience in human behaviour, is a form of social influence in which a person yields to explicit instructions or orders from an authority. Children who challenge obedience and humility with parents always grow up to become rebels and deviants in the society.

*"...Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice,
and to hearken than the fat of rams."*
I Sam. 15:22

3. Honour and Respect

Honour means to have value, decoration, preference. There are people whose parents do not have value in their eyes. Respect and honour your parents with all dignity and regard. Children should learn to cultivate all attributes capable of bestowing dignity to parents at all times.

“Honour your father and your mother, that your days may belong upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you.” Exo. 20:12

4. Service and Support

Parents deserve service and support from their children within and outside the home in all things. To access parental blessings, children must also include service and support for parents as a pre requisite. Common assistance such as cooking, cleaning, care and support to their handwork will make parents happy over their children, it may go a long way to direct favour and make ways for good success. There is no limit regarding the ways you should help your parents despite not giving them material things. They will be joyful and bless you for that.

*“Hearken unto thy father that begat thee,
and despise not thy mother when she is old.”*
Prov. 23:22

5. Good Character and Moral Uprightness

Good home training and moral uprightiness are age long attributes that can guarantee future brightness, making a child to shine with grace and become rooted and established in all of his or her endeavours. Children must listen to instructions and cultivate morality.

*“You shall stand up before the gray head and honour the face of an old man, and you shall fear your God:
I am the Lord.”* Lev. 19:32

1. Gifts and positive Surprises

One other way to please God in your parents and unlock the key to divine blessing is by providing good gifts and positive surprises to your parents or guardians. These can be anything that you identify they need and will be glad

about. This act can speak well of children and secure them over challenges and calamities.

*"Sensible children bring joy to their father;
Foolish children despise their mother."*

Prov. 15:20

2. Special Attributes and Regard

Including tolerance, peacefulness, understanding and the willingness to bear with parents or the elderly without disregard. A good child will always listen to his or her parents with great respect that portrays dignity and regard.

"Honour your father and your mother, as the Lord your God has commanded you, that your days may be prolonged and that it may go well with you on the land which the Lord your God gives you."

Deut. 5:16

8. Provision

Let your parents be in your budget. You cannot be eating fine things, wearing good cloths but give trash and rags to your parents. They must eat your money, wear your clothes, live in your house, embark on trips in your care and get comfortable with the provisions you have made for them. You will wonder why Isaac said 'give me venison to eat. There is a connection between the heart and the mouth. Just as the mouth is the gateway of the body. The heart is the gateway to the soul.

9. Observe your parents

It takes careful observations to discover common details about grown up people which they may not tell you. Take notice of their countenance and moods, discover quickly

whether their health is stable or not, find out if they lack or are in need of anything. Understand your parents and respond immediately to changes affecting them just as they do towards you. This uncommon attribute is capable of addressing feelings, restoring care and igniting love.

The major key to societal stability is honour and respect for parents and their authority. It makes great sense to honour your parents and obey them. They are part of your life as long as they and you are alive. Hopefully too, they will be grandparents of your children.

I believe parents have a major role and contributions to what their children become later in life. Whether positive or negative role; this depends on the guardian or parent in question. The major point is to strengthen the encouraging influence of parental authority in our lives so as to face situations courageously. This positive influence should be through blessings that our guardians and parents pronounce into our lives, not that people should not struggle in life if they carry parental blessings. It is mandatory that children get parental blessings since it helps them cope especially when things are actually difficult in life.

PURPOSE AND BIBLICAL EXAMPLES OF PARENTAL BLESSINGS OR CURSES

“Honour you father and your mother, as the LORD your God has commanded you, that your days may be long, and that it may be well with you in the land which the LORD your God is giving you.”

Deut. 5:16

Every blessing comes with purpose, transferring or imparting God's favour, protection and provision, but curses announce regret and grief. Parents are not owners of blessings, they are basically agents or custodians in whom the special grace of God are being channelled towards their Children from generation to generation. The study of how parental curses impact people is one of the most responsibilities Christian leaders should undertake because curses are on the rise, especially, in the family circle.

Obviously, curses are often manifested in different ways, some of which may include, continual financial problems with poverty, unexplained chronic illness, premature death, chronic strife with mental torment, repetitive business failures, marital attacks and barrenness and repetitive miscarriages, lack of progress, etc. But blessings are associated with productivity, progress, advancement, peacefulness, breakthrough and all normalcies that may be associated with life. Below are biblical examples of blessings and curses channelled toward children according to their behaviours.

1. The Case Of Esau And Jacob

Parental Blessings Reveal Purpose:

It is not possible to clearly understand the case of Esau and Jacob without carefully examining the promise from their

mothers' womb. These two people started struggling from their womb but no one knew what they were struggling for, whether for space or food. But their struggle raised concern to their mother who entreated God and God revealed that she was giving birth to two nations and two kinds of people altogether. After their birth, Isaac loved Esau while Rebecca loved Jacob, probably because of the revelation. Esau sold out his birth right by oath to his brother due to a present need and in the long run, Jacob got the blessing from his father. The purpose here was divine, in order to raise a generation of people in whom the saviour of the world will emerge.

Most firstborns are always favoured with inheritance as first fruits, they keep an eye on seen family inheritance while others long for blessings that are sometimes unseen but which are available for everyone. The case of Esau and Jacob teaches hard lessons beyond the ordinary which every child must be careful about,
Gen. 25:21-34; Gen. 27:1-41

2. The case of Shem, Ham and Japheth

Parental Blessings Define Destiny:

Parental Blessings help you connect with destiny and enables you operate under ancestral authority and approval. The case of Lot and his sons defines destiny and operational manifestations. One of the sons was to be a servant of servants to his brothers while the rest will rule over him. Economically and otherwise, the descendants of Ham (Canaan) became slaves, house maids and followers while the descendants of his brethren became rulers, manufacturers and owners. These three generations cover the earth today and the promises cannot be changed,
Gen. 9:22-27

3. The case of Joseph, Manasseh and Ephraim

Parental Blessings Restore Aborted Connection

Parental Blessings restore aborted connection of lineage and manifestation parental inheritance. The case of Joseph explains the fact that before his father died, he Manasseh and Ephraim thereby, restoring the tribe of Joseph who was transferred to a strange land. Again, the blessing placed emphasis on the younger son, though Joseph was not pleased and tried to manipulate the father for a change. This shows that parental blessings cannot be manipulated, they are censored by God to manifest his will, Gen. 48:5-22

Every other purpose of parental blessings like, wealth, fruitfulness, possessions, etc are tiny details which are embedded in the three categories given above. Your classification makes the difference.

THE BLESSING AND THE CURSE: A CASE STUDY PRAYER FROM PARENTS

Consider the pronouncement of either blessings or curses in the families below, study them carefully and learn life time lessons taught beyond the walls of tertiary institutions.

“Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come.”

I Cor. 10:11s

1. Isaac For Special Future

Gen. 27:28-29

May God give you of the dew of heaven and of the fatness of the earth and plenty of grain and wine. Let peoples serve you, and nations bow down to you. Be lord over your brothers, and may your mother's sons bow down to you.

Cursed be everyone who curses you, and blessed be everyone who blesses you!”

Isaac's specific blessing of Jacob is unique and patriarchal, passing on to Jacob the promises that God had given him through Abraham. But the principle remains, Isaac describes a special future where the gifts, abilities, responsibilities, and call of God form a picture of what will be.

This is the kind of picture good parents would paint, using their children's unique abilities, gifts, and traits as the paint, and showing the fullness of God's care, enabling, and protection. This goes in order of what God says in Jeremiah 29:11, (I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for peace and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope).

This is what the future of a good child should look like. Do not fail tap from it as God's will, in God's strength.

2. Noah

Special Prayer For Direction

Gen. 9:25-27

And he said, Cursed be Canaan; a servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren. And he said, Blessed be the LORD God of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant. God shall enlarge Japheth, and he shall dwell in the tents of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant.

3. Jacob

Prayer for Special Identity and Reconnection

Gen. 48: 14-16

And Israel stretched out his right hand, and laid it upon Ephraim's head, who was the younger one, and his left hand upon Manasseh's head, guiding his hands wittingly for Manasseh was the first born. And he blessed Joseph and

said, God, before whom my fathers, Abraham and Isaac did walk, the God which fed me all my life long unto this day, The angel which redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads; and let my name be named on and the name of my Fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth.

Gen. 48:17-22

And when Joseph saw that his father laid his right hand upon the head of Ephraim, it displeased him: and he held up his father's hand, to remove it from Ephraim's head unto Manasseh's head. And Joseph said unto his father, not so, my father: for this is the first born; put thy right hand upon his head. And his father refused, and said, I know it, my son, I know it: he also shall become a people, and he also shall be great: but truly his younger brother shall be greater than he, and his seed shall become a multitude of nations. And he blessed them that day, saying, in thee shall Isreal bless, saying, God make thee as Ephraim and as Manasseh: and he set Ephraim before Manasseh. And Israel said unto Joseph, behold, I die: but God shall be with you, and bring you again unto the land of your fathers. Moreover, I have given to thee one portion above thy brethren, which I took out of the hand of the Amorites with my sword and with my bow.

Gen. 49:3-27

Reuben, thou art my firstborn, my might and the beginning of my strength, the excelency of dignity, and the excellency of power: Unstable as water, thou shalt not excel; because thou wentest up to thy father's bed; then defiledest thou it: he went up to my couch.

Simeon and Levi are brethren; instruments of cruelty are in their habitations. O my soul, come not thou into their secret; unto their assembly, mine honour, be not thou united; for in their anger the slew a man, and in their

selfwill, they digged down a wall. Curse be their anger, for it was fierce; and their wrath, for it was cruel: I will divide them in Jacob and scatter them in Israel.

Judah, thou art he whom thy brethren shall praise: thy hand shall be in the neck of thine enemies; thy father's children shall bow down before thee... The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a law giver from between his feet, unto Shiloh comes; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be.

Joseph, is a fruitful bough, even a fruitful bough by a well; whose run over the wall: ... Even by the God of thy father, who shall help thee; and by the almighty, who shall bless thee with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the deep that lieth under, blessings of the breast and of the womb: The blessings of thy father have prevailed above the blessings of my progenitors unto the utmost bound of the everlasting halls: they shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the crown of the head of him that was separated from his brethren.

Gen. 49:28

All these are the twelve tribes of Israel: and this is it that their father spake unto them and blessed them; everyone according to his blessings, he blessed them.

FOUR ELEMENTS OF A BIBLICAL BLESSING

When parents are happy with their children, they display some characteristics that show love, peace and oneness as they go along with their children. Evidences of closeness, openness and approvals would be observed or noticed around and among them. Some of these characteristics can be summarised through common behaviours that portray approvals and togetherness as given below:

1. **Meaningful Touch**

*"Then his father Isaac said to him,
Come near and kiss me, my son."
So he came near and kissed him:
and he smelled the smell of his raiment,
and blessed him... "Gen. 27:26-27.*

The picture is an expression of acceptance and approval seen and displayed between a very old parent and his mature child. This is an uncommon picture that cannot be forgotten. The kiss was a picture of warm respect and fond affection. When grown sons/daughters and fathers/mothers interact, most of the times, it is no romantic, rather, an encounter with unforgettable memories different from a business-like handshake which only last for a moment. Every culture and family should retain, the concept of meaningful touch between elders and their loved ones. This affirming power of touch make young ones comfortable and conveys a feeling of blessing on them.

2. **Soothing Words of Affection**

*"Death and life are in the power of the tongue:
and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof."
Prov. 18:21*

Spoken words in the home have incredible power. So many times, harsh, angry and demeaning words crush our children. "You idiot!" "You are so stupid!" "I'm sick and tired of you. You never learn do you?" Be honest now-how many adults in this generation can still remember those kind of acidic, destructive words when you remember home, words that never should have been spoken? Spoken words also have the power to enrich and develop our children. They can bless, build and encourage. There are certain kinds of expressions that should be ringing down the hallways of our homes. They include, **words of**

affection showing genuine love; **words of reconciliation** such as I am sorry, I was wrong, alongside expressions like, please forgive me, I apologize for what I did. And more so, words of security, such as, you will always be my son and nothing will ever change that.

These are expressions of commitment like those God says to us, I will never leave you nor forsake you...I am with you always, even to the end of the age.

3. **Peaceful Conversation**

*"Let your speech be always with grace,
Seasoned with salt, that ye may know
how ye ought to answer every man Col. 4:6.*

Where there is peace and love among family members, there will always be tendencies for peaceful conversation. Some families communicate by passing information without meaningful contents. But a peaceful conversation communicates kindness, openness and bliss. Honest and loving children will always be blessed by the peaceful conversations between family members. This shows trust, love and sincerity from parents.

4. **Revelation of Secrets**

*"There is no fear in love, but perfect love
casteth out fear: Because fear hath
torment. He that feareth is not
made perfect in love."*

I Jn. 4:18

Most, older parents have reservations in their utterances, they confine hidden treasures of the family to themselves and only reveal them to trusted family members who are seen to be mature, respectful and obedient. A careless and wayward child cannot have this blessing, only intelligent and responsible ones do.

CONCLISION: Passing on the Blessing

*"And Israel stretched out his right hand,
and laid it upon Ephraim's head who was the
younger, and his left hand upon
Manasseh's head, guiding his hands wittingly,
for Manasseh was the firstborn.
And he blessed Joseph, and said..."*
Gen. 48:14-15

Every person longs for the "blessing" of his or her parents. It is an incredibly powerful, life-forming act that touches deep reservoirs inside us! In fact, if we do not receive this from our parents, we will search elsewhere for it, trying to fill up the gap left vacant at home. It's that important!

When Abraham and Sarah had their miracle baby Isaac, Abraham passed on the blessing to him. Isaac, in turn, had two sons, Esau and Jacob. Ordinarily, the eldest son received the special birth right blessing of the family, which meant the future management and spiritual oversight of the family was passed to him. But in this particular situation, God had other plans. He willed that the youngest son, Jacob, received the blessing.

In the same way, Jacob gathered his sons together in his last family meeting and bless them one after the other according to their lifestyles and reminded them of his provisions for them and what the family holds in future.

The blessing is a carefully worded statement that expresses a parent's fondness for, confidence in, and recognition of his child." In the OT, the blessing was not confined only to the firstborn son. Jacob would go on to bless all twelve of his sons, and two of his grandsons. And the blessing was not confined strictly to the sons, though

there does seem to be a special emphasis on it in the Bible. But in Mark 10:16, when parents were bringing children to Jesus, there is no mention of gender. All we read is that Jesus took them in His arms and blessed them, laying His hands on them.

Parental blessings in the lives of your children go a long way to affect their lives positively. As parents, no matter what your child must have done to you, be very careful with the kind of words pronounce on him or her because the negative words you pronounce to your children can as well affect them negatively even if you don't mean it. You may not mean it but there are evil spirits around you that will begin to act on whatever you say to your child negatively. As a child, if you have done anything wrong to your parent, humble yourself and go on your knees to ask for their forgiveness. Although many of you have attracted curses into your life by not honouring your parents. You honour parents by taking very good care of them and in return you attract their blessings.

YOU CAN GIVE YOUR LIFE TO JESUS

By going through the following steps

- 1. Hear the Gospel**
- 2. Believe the Gospel**
- 3. Repent of your sins**
- 4. Confess your faith in Jesus**
- 5. Be baptized for the remission of your sins**
- 6. Continue steadfastly in worship and enjoy
the amazing grace in Christ**

***Rom. 10:10,17; Acts. 2:38-42;
Mark 16:15,16; II Cor. 5:17; Rom. 6:1-4; Rom. 8:1-3***

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ROMAN 16:16

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