

BLESSING ROUNDUP

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Every blessing promised in the bible is there for us to take the advantage... however, it is always a choice we need to make and act on!! The following list of seven actions may well prove to be helpful to stimulate your mind into more effective living.

1. Wake Up & Get Up!! Decide to have a good day... after all, it's God's gift to you.

PSA 118:24 This *is* the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

2. Dress Up!! The best way to dress up is to put on a smile. A smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks. **1SAM 16:7** But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for *the LORD seeth* not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart. *A smiling heart certainly lifts the Lord's appreciation of our motives and brings greater blessing.*

3. Shut Up!! Say positive things and learn to listen. God gave us two ears and one mouth, so He must have meant for us to do twice as much listening as talking. **PRO 13:3** He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life: *but he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction.* *Poor choices of words have lead to world wars, divorces, employment terminations, etc. God asks us to be as careful as we can be, when we speak, even more so in delicate situations. Truth can be delivered in wiser ways, if we seek God for direction.*

4. Stand Up!! For what you believe in. Stand for something or you will fall for anything... **GAL 6:9** And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. **10** As we have **therefore opportunity**, let us do good unto all *men*, especially unto them who are of the household of faith. *If we don't respond to the pricking of the Lord, we may be responding to the pricking of Satan.*

5. Look Up!! To the Lord. **PHI 4:13** I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me. *Every verse in the bible has meaning. It is up to us to choose what we may exercise our faith on... the pricking of the spirit is always a safe and sometimes daring opportunity.*

6. Reach Up!! For something higher. **PRO 3:5** Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. **6** In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. *God has far better plans for our lives than the ones we come up with. Give God a chance to show you what he's got.*

7. Lift Up!! Your Prayers. **PHI 4:6** Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. *Nothing happens if nothing happens... give something to God to work with, then he will give you something to work with.*

Are you up to it?