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## Blessed to be a Blessing

Most days I really feel blessed. Family, friends, church, freedom, sunshine, rain, coffee, to name a few, help me to FEEL blessed. But what about the days that I don't feel it, I'm still blessed with those things and so, what's the deal?

Blessings come from the hand of God. Scripture tells us in James 1:17a~” Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above.” As we look at the past 20 years or so here at Christ the King it is so obvious who is the giver of the gifts! God Himself has provided the leadership, resources, teaching, fellowship, and direction every step of the way. Do we realize what we have? Do we realize we are blessed to BE a blessing?


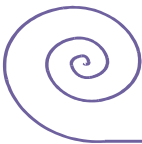
Take a moment to let that sink in. Think about the many things that you could add to your blessing list and then remember where they all came from. Whether you feel it or not, you are blessed!

For the next 12 months we as a congregation will be joining the preschool in giving back to our members, community, and beyond in 20 BIG and little ways! Think about how awesome this will be. Together, being a blessing to one another and those we don't even know, we glorify our Heavenly Father. Believe me when I say that some of the time the children of our preschool and Sunday school will lead us. Or, it might be one of the ministries of the church inspiring us and asking for our help. I see a wonderful opportunity to grow together as we serve and give!

*Finally, all of you be of one mind, having compassion for one another; love as brothers, be tenderhearted, be courteous; not returning evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary blessing, knowing that you are called for this, that you may inherit a blessing. 1 Peter 3:8-9*

Do you have ideas? You don't have to wait for another day to pass, be somebody's blessing today and...get ready to have lots of chances to FEEL so very blessed as we respond to the call to serve together.

In Christ,  
Jean Carlson, stewardship chair



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