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## Active Commitment

### Blessing Series

...I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing... **Deuteronomy 30:19**



*Jesus illustrates true commitment in action*      **Luke 10: 29-37**



We must be willing to have an Active Commitment for a Blessing to not be  
\_\_\_\_\_ **James 2:15-17**

Commitment will cost      **Luke 14:28, Isaiah 53:10; 2 Timothy 1:9**

Commitment cannot be done \_\_\_\_\_ **Galatians 3:3; Philippians 1:6;  
2 Thessalonians 3:3**

\_\_\_\_\_ is the key to fulfilling our pledge

We are called to put ourselves under the accountability of \_\_\_\_\_  
**Proverbs 27:6; Philippians 2:4; Ephesians 4:25**

Ultimately we are accountable to \_\_\_\_\_ **Romans 14:12**

### Four Keys to Commitment

- 1) Ask the Lord to confirm the Blessing      **Numbers 6:22-27**
- 2) Seek the best interest of the one being blessed      **Proverbs 22:6**
- 3) Discipline when appropriate      **Hebrews 12:5-6, 11**
- 4) Become a student of those you wish to bless      **Proverbs 15:30**



We will work

Commit to \_\_\_\_\_ **Deuteronomy 6:5**

Commit to \_\_\_\_\_ **1 Corinthians 10:33**

Commit to \_\_\_\_\_ **1 Peter 1:16**

**Discussion Questions:**

Can you start to see the investment of time, energy and effort involved in doing the blessing? Is it worth it?

Review the 4 steps in making an active commitment.

- How does discipline play a part in blessing?
- When we talk about asking the Lord to confirm the blessing, what does the look like to you?

Why is accountability so important to staying committed to the ideas of the blessing?

Are you willing to hold each other accountable? That means calling or talking to make sure words and commitment are in action.

**For Your Quiet Time:**

Proverbs 15:30

James 2:15-16

Proverbs 20:7

Hebrews 6:10-11

Proverbs 14:23

**Next Week:**

Hopefully by now you have had a chance to go and watch **Courageous**. If not, please do. The movie is a powerful testament to this teaching. Next week, we'll take all the teachings we have looked at and put them into action. Hearts be ready!

5 Elements of the Blessing

- 1) Meaningful Touch
- 2) Spoken Message
- 3) Attach a High Value
- 4) Picture a Special Future
- 5) **Active Commitment**