



**Part 2-Dedication Day  
November 13, 2016**

**ICEBREAKER: What is the greatest “blessing” that you have ever received? What is the greatest “blessing” that you have ever given?**

**MAIN POINTS:**

**A stagnant life says no,  
A blessed life flows**

**EXPLORATION:**

**1. Read Genesis 12:1-3. What does this verse teach us about Israel? What does it teach about what it means to be blessed?**

**2. In light of the previous verse, what do you think the correlation is between receiving a blessing from God and being a blessing for God**

*(Context Clues- the wording seems to indicate that God blesses us so that we can be a blessing to others. It is the purpose.)*

**3. Read Psalms 41:1-3. What does this verse teach about what it means to be “blessed”?**

*(Context Clues- Blessing is the consequence not the motivation for giving to the poor. Blessing is not the absence of trouble it is God’s protection through it.)*

**APPLICATION:**

**1. Read Proverbs 14:21. What does it mean that “those who are generous to the poor will be blessed”? Have you ever experienced that kind of “blessing”?**

*(Context Clues- both the Hebrew and the Greek words indicate that to truly be blessed means that the favor of God is both flowing into and being spoken into your life and that the same is flowing from your life.)*

**2. Read Proverbs 22:9. What do you think it means to have a “bountiful eye” or a “good eye” (NLT)? What have you shared with someone who has less than you recently?**

**3. How does the main point relate to the verses that have been read in this study?**

**4. How could your group participate further in Operation Christmas Child to apply the principles of generosity expressed in this Bible Study?**

**5. Pray for God’s blessing to flow into and out of River Point Community Church and our families. Pray that God would truly bless our efforts for Operation Christmas Child.**