

BLESSINGS TURN INTO BURDENS WHEN...

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Proverbs 1:32-33

Have you ever received something that initially benefitted you? However, overtime it became a burden to you? Have you received something that helped you then it began to hurt you? If you can answer yes to these questions your blessings turned into burdens.

It is possible that positive gifts can turn into negative circumstances. Blessings turn into burdens when you **CANNOT MANAGE** them. Practicing good management techniques will help you avoid experiencing this problem.

MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES

The first essential management technique is **KNOWING** what you can handle. Knowing how much you can bear

will prevent you from **ASKING** what will weigh you down. Most people cannot grasp this idea.

People have a tendency in asking for things that they want but are not ready for. When you ask your boss for more responsibility when the current tasks you have is overwhelming this is considered poor mismanagement.

The second essential management technique is **BALANCING**. What you have been given should not outweigh or tilt the scale of everything else in your life. Dishonest scales is an abomination to God. An unbalanced life is a disgrace to God. Many blessings turn into burdens because of this primary issue.

The third essential management technique is **DELEGATION**. Delegate responsibilities to the people who have the ability to handle it so you can do what other people **CANNOT** do. People who refuse to delegate will lose, mismanage and ruin what is in their possession.

Practicing these three management techniques will help you avoid turning your blessings into burdens. The Lord is responsible for honoring His Word and blessing you. God is **NOT** responsible to sustain what He gave you.

WISDOM'S ROLE

Lady wisdom is responsible in teaching you how to sustain and multiply what the Lord placed in your hands. Proverbs 1:32-33 says, *"Fools will die because they refuse to listen; they will be destroyed because they do not care. But those who listen to me will live in safety and be at peace, without fear of injury."*

Wisdom is available to teach you what intellect does not know. Only fools reject wisdom. As the above scripture states, the people who reject wisdom will be destroyed. Allowing your blessings to be converted into burdens will hinder your progress, delay your vision and ultimately destroy your possibilities.

God's blessings enable and empower your possibilities. When you allow your blessings to come to ruin, it **DIRECTLY** impacts what you are able to do. For example, that job God blessed you with was leverage to manifest a future possibility.

That inheritance you received was a blessing given to you to manifest future possibilities. The spouse you received was a blessing given to you to manifest future possibilities.

When a blessing is turned into a burden what was meant to take you to the next level becomes a form of bondage to keep you complacent. People blame the enemy (devil) when something positive turns into something negative. However, the devil does not have anything to do with it.

POOR MANAGEMENT turns a positive blessing into a negative burden. When you are a poor manager the devil does not have to do anything to destroy you. You will eventually destroy yourself.

The Lord will never give you more than you can bear. His blessings will **ALWAYS FIT** your capability. He will never give you a blessing that is too big for you to manage. So when blessings turn to burdens it is because **YOU** have failed.

When are given something good, **MANAGE IT**. When you are given something to help you, **MANAGE IT**. When someone of value is added to your life, **MANAGE** the relationship.

A wise man keeps his blessings to avoid having burdens. -F.H.

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