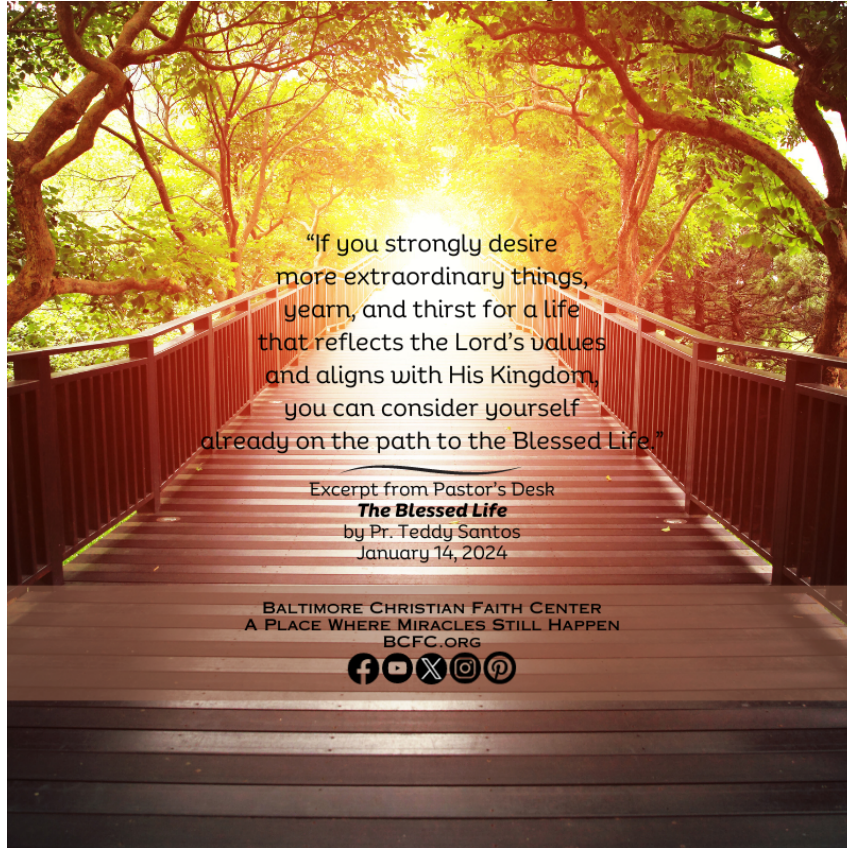


THE BLESSED LIFE

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Psalms 1:1-2 “1 Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful; 2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night.”

What is Blessedness? According to the teachings of our Lord, it is a state of the heart or a condition. Outward circumstances are not mentioned unless it is for reproach and persecution. Blessedness does not depend on external circumstances such as wealth or status.

The path to true happiness lies in acknowledging and accepting the sovereignty of Christ’s Kingdom. This involves recognizing the good in everything, which allows us to inherit the earth. It means being content with what we have and finding comfort in the mercy we receive. Ultimately, it leads to the highest reward: seeing God and being called his sons and daughters.

If you strongly desire more extraordinary things, yearn, and thirst for a life that reflects the Lord's values and aligns with His Kingdom, you can consider yourself already on the path to the Blessed Life. Do not assume that God arbitrarily gave Blessedness to those with specific attributes; the Lord proclaimed what was true in nature.

To possess the seed germs of the harvest of Blessedness, one must embody truthfulness, purity, mercy, and humility. In Galatians 5:22-23, you will find a list of the fruit of the Spirit that includes all of these Christian qualities: **“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.”**

At His service,
Pr. Teddy Santos