

Sermon Title: Lexicon of Faith: A Fresh Look at Ancient Words – Blessed Speaker: Matt Mano – Next Gen Ministries Pastor Scripture: Ephesians 1:3

Praise for Spiritual Blessings in Christ

³ Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. (*NIV*)

Sermon Summary:

We continue our summer sermon series titled, Lexicon of Faith. This series explores 8 popular Bible words that many people have misunderstood or misused. This Sunday, Pastor Matt will lead us in a message focusing on the word, **Blessed**.

Sermon Questions:

- 1. Pastor Matt said that, "Blessings from God are an invitation into life in God's presence." How has your view of blessing changed or been enriched by what you learned about blessing?
- 2. In Gen. 1:20-22, 27-28, 2:2-3 God blesses the creation, humans and then the Sabbath day of rest. How does this blessing connect with God's desire for our flourishing?
- 3. Pastor Matt invited us to bless God back through obedience and worship. How are you blessing or struggling to bless God right now in your life through blessing and obedience?
- 4. Have you attached blessing to what you have or who has you? How is God inviting you into deeper blessing through relationship and connection with him as the source and sustainer of all things?
- 5. Who can you bless this week out of the abundance God has given you?