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Galatians 3:13-14,29 – ¹³ Christ has already redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree." ¹⁴ He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit.

²⁹If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Healing is a part of our redemptive rights, privileges, and our inheritance.

<u>I Peter 1:3-8</u> – ³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fades not away, reserved in heaven for you, ⁵ Who are **kept by the power of God through faith** unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations: ⁷ That **the trial of your faith**, being much more precious than of gold that perishes, though it **be tried with fire**, might be found unto praise and honor and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: ⁸ Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, **yet believing**, you **rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory**:

It is your **faith** on trial, not you.

It's not the **trial** that is precious, but the **trying of your faith**.

The fire or the test will bring the impurities to the surface of your faith life.

We must be willing to wipe the dross away and not stir it back into the gold (our faith).

- The dross of wrong thinking
- The dross of speaking words that don't line up with the Word of God
- The dross of being governed by my feelings

This isn't an exercise in **fault finding**, but rather one of purification and a refining of **being governed by our beliefs**.

<u>James 1:2-7</u> – ² My brethren, **count or consider it all joy** when you fall into various trials, ³ **knowing this**, that **the testing of your faith produces patience or steadfastness**. ⁴ But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing. ⁵ If any of you lacks wisdom, let him **ask** of the **open handed giving God**, who **gives to all** liberally and ungrudgingly and without reproach or **faultfinding**, **and it will be given to him**. ⁶ **But** let him **ask in faith**, with **no doubting or wavering**, for he who **doubts or wavers** is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. ⁷ **For let not that man [the one who doubts or waivers] suppose, think or imagine that he will receive anything from the Lord**;