
I CAN DECREE MY BLESSINGS?

“You will also decree a thing, and it will be established for you.” Job 22:28

This is a myth that makes God small and ourselves big. It overestimates the authority that Christ has given us, and because of this, we speak to our circumstances rather than actually pray to God. Because we are presuming authority that actually belongs to God alone, our prayers are based on pride rather than humility before God. God resists the proud, so our prayers are rendered ineffective.¹

GOD SAID, “LOOK I PUT POWER IN YOUR MOUTH, THE FREQUENCY OF GOD OPERATING THROUGH YOU WILL SHIFT MATTER IN THE NATURAL REALM, IT WILL CAUSE SUBSTANCE AND CIRCUMSTANCES TO MOVE, YOUR MOUTH IS AN ADMINISTRATIVE FORCE OF HEAVEN, THE LORD SAID TO JOB DECREE A THING, SPEAK IT OUT, AND IT WILL BE ESTABLISHED.”²

Decree is a legislative term that means to enact something into law. For example, we see earthly kings making decrees or laws. Their decrees became law and they were enforced.

Daniel 6:8 Now, O king, establish the decree and sign the writing, so that it cannot be changed, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which does not alter.”

Psalm 2:7 “I will declare the decree: The LORD has said to Me, ‘You are My Son, Today I have begotten You.

God does the decreeing; we do the declaring.

A FAULTY FOUNDATION?

WHO SAID...?

1. “You surely will not die!” (Genesis 3:4)
2. “There is no God.” (Psalm 14:1)
3. “We know that God does not hear sinners...” (John 9:31)

¹ Denver Cheddie, small devil, BIG GOD

² Ryan LeStrange, Prayer assault Promo

Answering the first two questions are fairly easy. Identifying the last one takes a little more reading. We all know that Satan was lying to Eve. We also know that only a fool would say there is no God. It takes a little more effort and investigation to discover who made the last statement and even more thought as to whether it was a true statement. Does God ever hear sinners?

One Christian leader above says that it is a myth to assume that we can decree our blessings. He indicates that those who do are assuming they have authority which they do not have. Another Christian leader encourages the very activity the first one condemns. Acts 17:11 says that we should **“...receive the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so.”** Scripture also says in **Acts 20:28–30 Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them.**

EXAMINING THE SCRIPTURE

“You will also decree a thing, and it will be established for you; And light will shine on your ways.” (Job 22:28)

There is no question about what this verse says. It is more important to know who said them and if it is true. Let’s dig in a little bit deeper and ask some questions.

Who really said this? What else did he say about Job? What did God say about Job? How does Job respond to his council? More importantly, what does God think of Eliphaz? Does God see him as reliable?

WHO REALLY SAID THIS?

“Then Eliphaz the Temanite responded,” (Job 22:1, NASB95)

WHAT ELSE DID ELIPHAZ SAY ABOUT JOB?

“Is not your wickedness great, And your iniquities without end? “For you have taken pledges of your brothers without cause, and stripped men naked. “To the weary you have given no water to drink, and from the hungry you have withheld bread.” (Job 22:5–7, NASB95)

WHAT DID GOD SAY ABOUT JOB?

“There was a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job; and that man was blameless, upright, fearing God and turning away from evil.” (Job 1:1)

“The LORD said to Satan, “Have you considered My servant Job? For there is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, fearing God and turning away from evil.” (Job 1:8)

HOW DOES JOB RESPOND TO ELIPHAZ?

““But He knows the way I take; **When He has tried me, I shall come forth as gold.** “My foot has held fast to His path; **I have kept His way and not turned aside.** “I have not departed from the command of His lips; **I have treasured the words of His mouth more than my necessary food.**” (Job 23:10–12, NASB95)

“**For He performs what is appointed for me, and many such decrees are with Him.**” (Job 23:14, NASB95)

WHAT DID GOD THINK OF ELIPHAZ?

DOES GOD SEE HIM AS RELIABLE?

“It came about after the LORD had spoken these words to Job, that the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite, “My wrath is kindled against you and against your two friends, because you have not spoken of Me what is right....” (Job 42:7)

Eliphaz is called into service as the leading scriptural authority for the decree and declare teaching. The very one whom God corrected for not speaking what is right. To attribute what Eliphaz said to Job as being from God is not a simple error or slip of the tongue, it is outright false and misleading. The entire teaching of decree and declare is nothing more than myth and as such brings us into bondage .

1 Timothy 4:7 Have nothing to do with irreverent, silly myths. Rather train yourself for godliness;