Sermon Notes

You Can't Curse What God Has Blessed

<u>Scripture</u>- Numbers 22:31 (NLT), "³¹ Then the LORD opened Balaam's eyes, and he saw the angel of the LORD standing in the roadway with a drawn sword in his hand. Balaam bowed his head and fell face down on the ground before him."

What do you do after God gives orders?

1.	Refuse to give in to pressure. Numbers 22:18-19 (NLT), "18 But Balaam
	responded to Balak's messengers, "Even if Balak were to give me his palace filled with silver
	and gold, I would be powerless to do anything against the will of the LORD my God. 19 But stay
	here one more night, and I will see if the LORD has anything else to say to me."
2.	Remember that God may let you have your Numbers 22:20-24 (NLT), "20 That
	night God came to Balaam and told him, "Since these men have come for you, get up and go witl
	them. But do only what I tell you to do." ²¹ So the next morning Balaam got up, saddled his
	donkey, and started off with the Moabite officials. ²² But God was angry that Balaam was
	going, so he sent the angel of the LORD to stand in the road to block his way. As Balaam and
	two servants were riding along, 23 Balaam's donkey saw the angel of the LORD standing in the
	road with a drawn sword in his hand. The donkey bolted off the road into a field, but Balaam
	beat it and turned it back onto the road."
3.	Realize that there may be a reason for your lack of progress. Numbers
	22:32-33 (NLT), "32" Why did you beat your donkey those three times?" the angel of the
	LORD demanded. "Look, I have come to block your way because you are stubbornly resisting me.
	³³ Three times the donkey saw me and shied away; otherwise, I would certainly have killed you
	by now and spared the donkey."
4.	Repent for your Numbers 22:34 (NLT), "34 Then Balaam confessed to
	the angel of the LORD, "I have sinned. I didn't realize you were standing in the road to block
	my way. I will return home if you are against my going."

