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²² And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying:

²³ "Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, 'This is the way you shall bless the children of Israel. Say to them:

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²⁴ "The LORD bless you and keep you;

²⁵ The LORD make His face shine upon you, And be gracious to you;

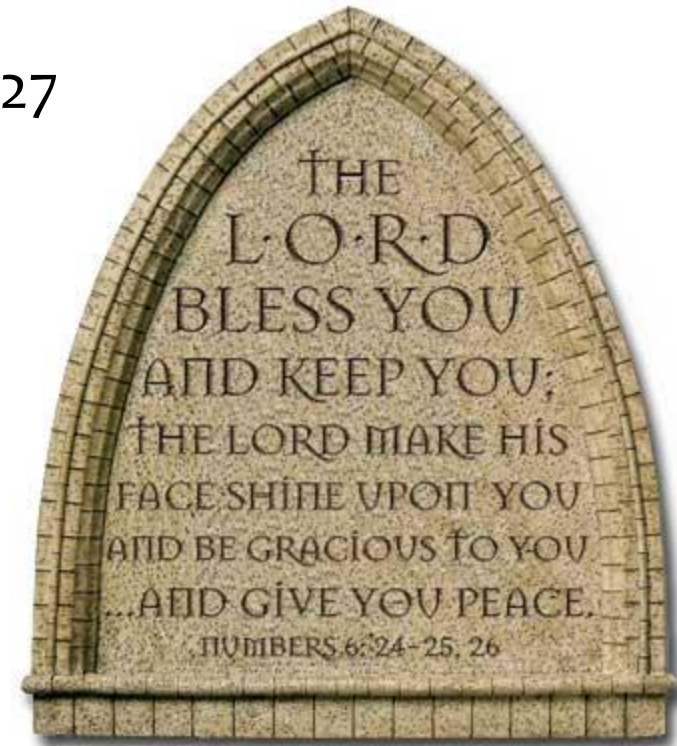
²⁶ The LORD lift up His countenance upon you, And give you peace."

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²⁷ "So they shall put *My* name on the children of Israel, and I will bless them."

The Lord Bless You...

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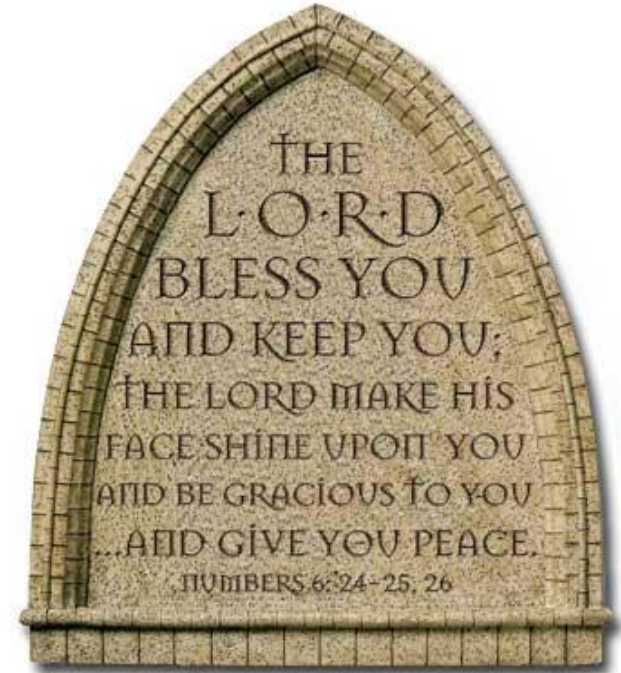
The Blessing Defined

- “The Lord Bless You And Keep You”
 - “**ble**ss” means “to confer well-being or prosperity” (Deut.28:1-6, 15-19)
 - “**ke**ep” means “to provide and care, to guard and protect” (Psa.121:1-8)



The Blessing Defined

- The Lord Make His Face Shine Upon You, And Be Gracious To You
 - **“make His face shine”** may be an idiom of Hebrew language indicating His favor ([Psa.31:16](#); [80:3](#); [Dan.9:17](#))
 - **“be gracious”** means “to bestow favor, especially that which is unmerited” – Parallel to “*bless and keep you*”



The Blessing Defined

- The Lord Lift Up His Countenance Upon You, And Give You Peace
 - “**lift up His countenance**” – i.e. “smile” ~ suggests pleasure, affection, approval and recognition
 - “**peace**” – positive state of rightness and fullness of being (Lev.26:6, 8)



The Blessing Defined

- The Lord Bless You And Keep You
- The Lord Make His Face Shine Upon You, And Be Gracious To You
- The Lord Lift Up His Countenance Upon You, And Give You Peace



The Blessing Today

- The Lord bless you and keep you...
 - The Lord desires to bless us through Jesus Christ (Eph.1:3) (Matt.5:3-12)
 - The Lord desires to provide care for us (Matt.6:25-32)
 - But this care is conditional (Matt.6: 33)



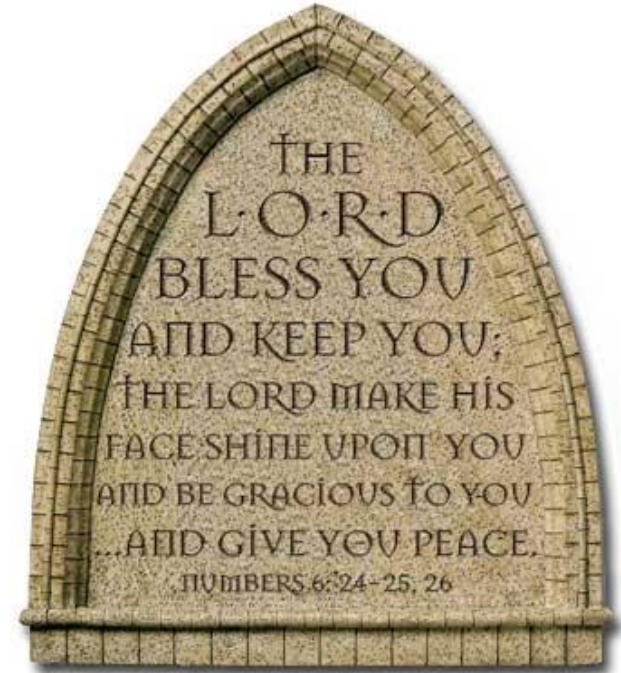
The Blessing Today

- The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you...
 - God's grace is now manifest through His Son (Jn.1:17)
 - We must not receive it in vain! (2Cor.6:1-3)
 - So freely extended yet so few accept it! (Titus 2:11-14)



The Blessing Today

- The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace
 - Peace with God is now possible through Christ ([Rom.5:1](#))
 - As we continue to pray and obey, God bestows peace through His Son ([Phlp.4:6-7](#))



The Blessing Today

- The Lord Bless You And Keep You
- The Lord Make His Face Shine Upon You, And Be Gracious To You
- The Lord Lift Up His Countenance Upon You, And Give You Peace



“The Lord Bless You...”

- If you desire “The Blessing”
Today...
 - You must be “in Christ”
(Gal.3:26-27)
 - He must be your High Priest
 - This is how and where God
blesses people today!

