



## Numbers 6:22-27 *The Priestly Blessing*

<sup>22</sup> The LORD said to Moses, <sup>23</sup> Tell Aaron and his sons, This is how you are to bless the Israelites. Say to them: <sup>24</sup> The LORD bless you and keep you; <sup>25</sup> the LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you; <sup>26</sup> the LORD turn His face toward you and give you peace. <sup>27</sup> So they will put My name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

### 1. The source of the blessing

▲ *This blessing is expensed from God's deep purse and divine power*

<sup>22</sup> The Lord said to Moses,

▲ *This blessing expresses God's deliberate desire for His people*

<sup>23</sup> This is how you are to bless the Israelites.

### 2. The speaking of the blessing

▲ *Enlist the priests*

<sup>23</sup> Tell Aaron and his sons, This is how you are to bless the Israelites.

▲ *Enunciate the proclamation*

<sup>23</sup> This is how you are to bless the Israelites. Say to them:

### 3. The smile in the blessing

▲ *Consider the leaning and looking of the LORD's face*

<sup>26</sup> the LORD turn His face toward you

▲ *Consider the light and love in the LORD's face*

<sup>25</sup> the LORD make His face shine upon you

### 4. The substance of the blessing

▲ *This is the LORD's guardian protection*

<sup>24</sup> The LORD bless you and keep you;

▲ *This is the LORD's gracious provision*

<sup>25</sup> the LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you;

▲ *This is the LORD's great peace*

<sup>26</sup> the LORD turn His face toward you and give you peace.

### 5. The signature in the blessing

▲ *With this blessing, the LORD makes a claim on His people*

<sup>27</sup> So they will put My name on the Israelites,

▲ *With this blessing, the LORD makes a covenant commitment to His people*

<sup>27</sup> and I will bless them.

***Our QUALIFICATION to RECEIVE this BLESSING*** We are people of a better covenant, with the blessings of God secured for us through the powerful work of Jesus our Lord. We are children of God, and as such, we are heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ. The name of Jesus and the seal of the Holy Spirit have been laid upon us, marking us out as God's people. God has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light.

***Our QUALIFICATION to RECITE this BLESSING*** As a royal priesthood of believers, we enjoy the priestly privilege of declaring this blessing upon one another in faith. We receive the blessing readily, and, understanding that it is even more blessed to give than to receive, we joyfully declare the blessing upon our fellow believers, our family of faith. Just as we love one another, accept one another, encourage one another, fellowship with one another, live in harmony with one another, clothe ourselves with humility toward one another, offer hospitality to one another, instruct and admonish one another, submit to one another, bear with one another, and serve one another, so we boldly bless one another with this priestly blessing.