

NUMBERS 6:22-27

22 The LORD said to Moses,
23 "Tell Aaron and his sons,
'This is how you are to
bless the Israelites. Say to
them:

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 turn his face
toward you and give you
peace.'"

27 "So they will put my
name on the Israelites, and I
will bless them."

SEEKING the LORD's FACE

- ✓ **seek the LORD in faithfulness**
PS.11:7 – "The LORD is righteous...upright men will see his face."
- ✓ **seek the LORD's favor**
PS.80:3 – "Restore us, O God; make your face shine upon us, that we may be saved."
- ✓ **seek the LORD's fortitude**
PS.105:4 – "Look to the LORD and his strength; seek his face always."
- ✓ **seek the LORD's fellowship and friendship**
EX.33:11 – "The LORD would speak to Moses face to face, as...with his friend."
- ✓ **seek the LORD with fervency**
PS.27:8 – "My heart says of you, 'Seek his face!' Your face, LORD, I will seek."

LIVING IN THE blessing OF THE LORD

TEN BIBLE BLESSINGS
FOR THE BELIEVER

NUMBER 2: THE BLESSING OF GOD'S SMILE

the SOURCE of the BLESSING

- ✓ **God's divine purse and power of provision**
v.22 – "The LORD..."
- ✓ **God's deliberate desire for His people**
v.23 – "This is how you are to bless the Israelites."

the SPEAKING of the BLESSING

- ✓ **the priests**
v.23 – "Tell Aaron and his sons..."
- ✓ **the proclamation**
v.23 – "Say to them..."

the SMILE in the BLESSING

- ✓ **consider the scowl on God's face**
PS.34:16 – "The face of the LORD is against those who do evil."
- ✓ **consider the shrouding of God's face**
IS.59:2 – "Your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He will not hear."

"Jesus stood up...The Spirit of the Lord is on me...to
proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." —LK.4:14-21

"When we were God's enemies, we were reconciled
to him through the death of his Son..." —RO.5:10

- ✓ **consider the SHINING SMILE on God's face**
v.25 – "The LORD make his face shine upon you..."
v.26 – "The LORD turn his face toward you..."

the SUBSTANCE of the BLESSING

- ✓ **the blessing of guardian protection**
v.24 – "The LORD bless you and keep you..."
- ✓ **the blessing of gracious provision**
v.25 – "The LORD...be gracious to you..."
- ✓ **the blessing of great peace**
v.26 – "The LORD...give you peace."

the SIGNATURE on the BLESSING

- ✓ **the claim upon God's people**
v.27 – "So they will put my name on the Israelites..."
- ✓ **the credit for God's provisions**
v.27 – "I will bless them."