## **Connected With God**

Shalom,

The blessing of YHWH makes rich, and He adds no sorrow to it (Prov. 10:22). God's blessing is the empowering to prosper, and entirely positive to those who receive it. God never changes, and it is His will to bless His children.

The Torah portion for this week is **Numbers 4:1—7:89**, which is called **Nasso**, or "**Count**," and includes instruction to God's children on separating themselves unto Him. YHWH wants His children to walk in His blessing and shows us the way to walk as He walks to maximize our ability to receive from Him. His Word is the key to our being able to walk in His ways, but failing to receive His Word in the spirit results in a fleshly (natural) adherence that cannot receive the things of the Spirit of God.

"Now the natural man does not receive the things from the Spirit of God—to him they are nonsense! Moreover, he is unable to grasp them, because they are evaluated through the Spirit." (1 Corinthians 2:14 CJB)

The Blessing is a spiritual reality that can only be fully realized in born-again believers who are New Creations in Messiah Yeshua. His transforming power brought forth through all His work of redemption places our spirits in control to speak and act with God as His very own children taking dominion over the things of the world.

It is God's Word anointed by the Spirit of God that changes and empowers us to say the words that God says with the same effect as when God said them. It is for this reason that God told Moses to tell Aaron what He was to say when **blessing the children of Israel**; and when the blessing was sent forth by speaking, the people who received it were blessed in the same measure as if God had appeared bodily in their presence and spoken it, and the same power is released in, and by us, today when we speak His words in His anointing.

ADONAI said to Moshe, "Speak to Aharon and his sons, and tell them that this is how you are to bless the people of Isra'el: you are to say to them,

'Y'varekh'kha ADONAI v'yishmerekha.

[May ADONAI bless you and keep you.]

Ya'er ADONAI panav eleikha vichunekka.

[May ADONAI make His Face shine on you and show you His favor.] Yissa ADONAI panav eleikha v'yasem l'kha shalom.

[May ADONAI lift up His Face toward you and give you peace.]'

"In this way they are to put My Name on the people of Isra'el, so that I will bless them." (Numbers 6:22-27 CJB)

"Thus shall they link My Name with the people of Israel, and I will bless them." (Numbers 6:27 JPS)

Verse 27 gives us an amazing fact about the power of this blessing and reveals that **those who take these words by faith are linked to Him by His Name**. The Name is placed upon the ones who will receive it. All of the blessing that is in the Name of Jesus; all of God's protection; all of His favor and grace; every earthly blessing; all spiritual power; and participation in His divine nature is sent forth to us through these spoken words. He has directed all good toward you. He never misses, His aim is perfect. Just trust it and take it for yourself.

Held in His love, Terry

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