The Purpose of God's Blessing Psalm 67

Psa 67:1 May God be **gracious** to us and **bless** us and make his **face shine on us**--

Num 6:24-26 ESV The LORD <u>bless</u> you and <u>keep</u> you; 25 the LORD make his <u>face to shine</u> upon you and be <u>gracious</u> to you; 26 the LORD lift up his <u>countenance</u> upon you and give you peace.

"Yahweh will kneel before you presenting gifts, and he will **guard** you with a hedge of protection, Yahweh will illuminate the wholeness of his being toward you, bringing order, and he will provide you with love, sustenance, and friendship, Yahweh will lift up the wholeness of his being and look upon you, and he will set in place all you need to be whole and complete."

Ps 67:2 so that your <u>ways</u> may be known on <u>earth</u>, your <u>salvation</u> among all <u>nations</u>

3 May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you. 4 May the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you rule the peoples with equity and **<u>quide</u>** the nations of the earth. 5 May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you. 6 The land yields its harvest; God, our God, **blesses** us. 7 May God **bless** us still, so that all the ends of the earth will fear him.

Genesis 12:1-3... I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.

Ex 19:6 - And you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.

Hosea 4:6(a) - My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge; because you have rejected knowledge, I reject you from being a priest to me...

1Pe 2:9-12 ESV But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. 10 Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Rom 15:15-16because of the grace given me by God 16 to be a minister of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles in the priestly service of the gospel of God, so that the offering of the Gentiles may be acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit.