

156 Numbers 6:24-26* The LORD bless thee, and keep thee:
The LORD make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto
thee: The LORD lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee
peace.

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This is the old covenant blessing that is still pronounced
upon some denominational congregations today.
There is nothing wrong with this except it is in the future
tense. This is something we LACK in our Christian walk today,
we do not bless our neighbor or fellow man like the old
covenant taught us. BUT since Christ, this blessing is actually
in the Past tense.

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I will break it down into two segments to show what I mean.
1st Segment

The LORD (Has) blessed you and (Has) kept you: The LORD
(Has) made his face shine upon you

Ephesians 1:3* Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus
Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in
heavenly places in Christ:

You see, the Life, Death and Resurrection of Jesus at the Cross
paid the price for all sin, sickness and afflictions that Satan
caused.

We have the same dominion and authority that God gave
Adam & Eve over the world, RESTORED to us through Christ.

Genesis 1:28* And God blessed them, and God said unto them,
Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue
it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the
fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth
upon the earth.

When the devil through lies and deceit caused Adam & Eve to Sin against God, He in essence obtained the dominion and power that God gave Adam & Eve. **This is where the Devil got his power here on earth.** Adam and Eve had it, but through sin, signed it over to Satan.

The 1st MAN (Adam) gave away authority to the Devil and only the 2nd MAN (Jesus) could take it back. God will not go against his own words. So redemption had to come through the sinless life of Jesus.

Through the Cross, WE have been restored to this same power and authority that Adam and Eve had. The Devil can do nothing to us without OUR permission, and this permission is given by -- unbelief and disobedience to Gods word.

So you see, God HAS fulfilled this first segment of this blessing.

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2nd Segment

and (Has) been gracious unto you: The LORD (Has) lifted up his countenance upon you, and (Has) given you peace.

Isaiah 53:5* But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

Through the Cross, Jesus paid for every sin that ever was or will be, he paid for every sadness or depression there ever was or will be, he paid the price for every disease or sickness there ever was or ever will be. In other words we already have everything, all we have to do is except it. Now you say yes I believe this is true, then WHY are you running to the Dr for every little ache or pain? Or filling your body with perception drugs because you are sad or depressed. **YOU SEE, THERE IS A DIFFERENCE** between a head belief and a heart belief.

A head belief says: "I don't FEEL happy or I don't FEEL healed", in other words our faith is ruled by our five natural senses. We reason within ourselves that doctors would not be here if we did not need them.

Mark 2:17* When Jesus heard it, he saith unto them, **They that are whole have no need of the physician,** (This refers to those that have a heart belief.) but they that are sick: (This refers to those with a head belief.) I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

Well God is no respecter of persons, so he also tries to help them that rely on the natural man and his ways, trying to draw them to his peace and salvation.

Acts 10:34* Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, **Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:**

He loves the sinner along with the righteous, the only difference is the righteous have a heart belief in his word and except it unconditionally whereas the head believer don't.

Matthew 5:45* **That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.**

The sinless Life, Death and resurrection of Jesus Christ had fulfilled the dispensation of the law to a letter and issued in the dispensation of **GRACE**. It is by **GRACE, THROUGH FAITH** that we can claim all his blessings. (FAITH is a heart belief)

Ephesians 2:8* **For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:**

GRACE is GODS PART: FAITH is OUR PART anything more on our part is **SELF RIGHTEOUSNESS**. (Sin)
This was the sin of the scribes and Pharisees and most denominations today.

Trust this gives you an insight of the blessing in Numbers 6.
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