

Psalm 67

¹May God be merciful and bless us.

May his face smile with favor on us.

²May your ways be known throughout the earth,
your saving power among people everywhere.

³May the nations praise you, O God.

Yes, may all the nations praise you.

⁴Let the whole world sing for joy,
because you govern the nations with justice
and guide the people of the whole world.

⁵May the nations praise you, O God.

Yes, may all the nations praise you.

⁶Then the earth will yield its harvests,
and God, our God, will richly bless us.

⁷Yes, God will bless us,
and people all over the world will fear him.

In Psalm 67, we discover the _____ God is gracious to us, and blesses us, and turns His face toward us:

1. God _____ us so that we might be a _____ to the world

“Don’t look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.” Philippians 2:4

“The way we get it is by giving it.” Mark Batterson, Double Blessing

“Blessings can be tangible and intangible, timely and timeless, simple and straightforward or difficult to discern.”

2. We are blessed so that those who have not yet experienced the blessings of God might _____ Him and _____ with those that do

“I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others.” Genesis 12:2

The Blessing of God IS God

1. God _____ us = His **PEACE & JOY**

“Great is his faithfulness; his mercies begin afresh each morning.”
Lamentations 3:23

“afresh” (new) = not just “again and again” – it also means **“different”**

“Blessing is God’s default setting – His first and foremost reflex.”
Mark Batterson, Double Blessing

2. God _____ us = His **FAVOR**

“If God is for us, who can ever be against us?... No one—for Christ Jesus died for us and was raised to life for us, and he is sitting in the place of honor at God’s right hand, pleading for us.”
Romans 8:31-34

“Blessing is our birthright because God is in the blessing business.”
Mark Batterson, Double Blessing

3. God _____ us = His **POWER**

“Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think (“imagine” – NIV). Glory to him in the church and in Christ Jesus through all generations forever and ever! Amen.” Ephesians 3:20-21

- We can bless others by using our God-given _____ and _____ to make a difference in the world
- We can bless others by using the _____ that our time and talents have produced

Numbers 6:24-26

²⁴May the LORD bless you and protect you.

²⁵May the LORD smile on you and be gracious to you.

²⁶May the LORD show you his favor and give you his peace.