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Bless

Definition (from Dictionary.com):

- to request of God the bestowal of divine favor on
- to bestow good of any kind upon
- to extol as holy; glorify

The LORD had said to Abram, “Go from your country, your people and your father’s household to the land I will show you. “I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a **blessing**. I will **bless** those who **bless** you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be **blessed** through you.” Genesis 12:1-3

That night the LORD appeared to [Isaac] and said, “I am the God of your father Abraham. Do not be afraid, for I am with you; I will **bless** you and will increase the number of your descendants for the sake of my servant Abraham.” Genesis 26:24

The LORD said to Moses, “Tell Aaron and his sons, ‘This is how you are to **bless** the Israelites. Say to them: “ ‘ “The LORD **bless** you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.” ’ “So they will put my name on the Israelites, and I will **bless** them.” Numbers 6:22-27

If anyone is poor among your fellow Israelites in any of the towns of the land the LORD your God is giving you, do not be hardhearted or tightfisted toward them. Rather, be openhanded and freely lend them whatever they need... Give generously to them and do so without a grudging heart; then because of this the LORD your God will **bless** you in all your work and in everything you put your hand to. Deuteronomy 15:7-8, 10

The LORD is the strength of his people, a fortress of salvation for his anointed one. Save your people and **bless** your inheritance; be their shepherd and carry them forever. Psalm 28:8-9

The LORD remembers us and will **bless** us: He will **bless** his people Israel, he will **bless** the house of Aaron, he will **bless** those who fear the LORD— small and great alike. May the LORD cause you to flourish, both you and your children. May you be **blessed** by the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth. Psalm 115:12-15

“But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, **bless** those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. Luke 6:27-28

Bless those who persecute you; **bless** and do not curse. Romans 12:14

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to **bless** you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. 2 Corinthians 9:6-8