

## A Return To Our Hebraic Blessing

From the very beginning of time, Gods entire focus and intention is to bless His creation. The judgement that has come upon evil and wickedness is not and never has been part of God's design. It has always been the sins of the human being that separate us from God. God's position is supreme and never changing. His position is solid, one we can count on and always return to. The God we serve is a God who blesses and never curses.

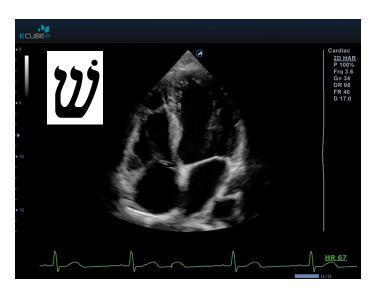
At a glance, the condition of our world today can be considered evil and full of curses. It is our responsibility to make a decision to return to our heritage and legacy inside the Hebraic Blessing. This focus will bring blessing and comfort inside our four walls first, then to our community in the lives of our friends and family who are struggling with brokenness and loneliness.

Dr. John Garr shows how the imprint of God is on the human heart. He says, "The biblical truth is confirmed by medical science as seen in an echocardiogram of the human heart. The tissue that separates the chambers of the heart area aligned in such a way that they form the Hebrew letter *shin*."



This letter shin stands for El Shaddai" which means "God Almighty" The word **Shaddai** is an acronym which means *Guardian of the Gates of Israel*. The word Gates is the place in which all must pass in order to enter, that gate is Jesus, God Almighty.

Is it any coincidence that this letter the *shin* is the very image of the hearts of all humans created by God Almighty? Is it possible that God, the



perfecter of it all was so detailed in his creation that he imprinted our own hearts with His name **El Shaddai**?

I included two different images of a standard echocardiogram of a human heart. Ask yourself, what do you think?

If I could submit to you, even though there is so much evil in our world today that spreads across social economic cultures, countries, & religions, God foresaw the ways of man and went before us to sow into our flesh His divine imprint. The



Supreme God, The God Whose Name is also an action Name Who can act on your behalf even right now, thought of us in such detail that our own flesh carries a permanent marking of His desire to claim us as His and bring us back to what He has for us.

#### **BLESS**

The word bless is "barach" in Hebrew and means to bless; to salute, congratulate, thank, praise; to kneel down. In Old Testament times, one got down on his knees when preparing to speak or receive words of blessing, whether to God in heaven, or to the king on his throne. From God's side, He is the Blesser, **the One who gives the capacity for living a full rich life.** The first action of God the creator to the newly created man and woman was to bless them. (Gen 1:28)

## The Priestly Blessing

"Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, 'This is the way you shall bless the children of Israel. Say to them: "The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you, And be gracious to you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you, And give you peace." "So they shall put My name on the children of Israel, and I will bless them." Numbers 6:23-27

Matthew Henry comments on this passage, saying that "we may take the blessing to ourselves, as if our names were inserted." Think about it, the Lord our God, the Creator of all that is seen and unseen, seeks to bless His people. Everything good that comes your way comes from His hand, and one day, all in Christ will enjoy the splendor of His face. So, do not doubt that the Lord desires to bless you and tell others that His blessing is available to them in Christ.<sup>1</sup>

In this priestly blessing, the word YOU is singular in Hebrew, as such is addressed to an individual, YOU. The word LORD is mentioned three times in this text and is **Yahweh**. The best part is, this word is A VERB! It means our God, our LORD Yahweh is in action for YOU! As John Piper wrote, "So every time we hear the word Yahweh, or every time you see LORD in the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://www.ligonier.org/learn/devotionals/aaronic-blessing/

English Bible, you should think: this is a proper name built out of the word for "I am" and reminding us each time that **God absolutely is**."<sup>2</sup>

The word **bless** here means to increase in prosperity because Yahweh will KEEP the worshiper from harm.

Make His face shine upon you implies taking pleasure in the worshiper, with the result ate the Lord will be gracious or favorable to His worshiper.

To **lift up His countenance upon you**, similar to making his face shine results in **peace**, the provision of all things necessary for the well being of the recipient. <sup>3</sup>

The text found in Deuteronomy 6:4-9 is the most important text in the Old Testament. Jesus called it the **greatest commandment of scripture**, and it remains the central confession of Judaism to the day.

"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one! You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. "And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates."

Deuteronomy 6:4-9 NKJV

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> John Piper, *10 Things Yahweh means*, <a href="https://www.desiringgod.org/articles/10-things-yahweh-means">https://www.desiringgod.org/articles/10-things-yahweh-means</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Jack W. Hayford, *New Spirit-Filled Life Bible*, Copyright 2002 Thomas Nelson, commentary on Numbers 6:23-27

When the temple was destroyed more than two thousand years ago the requirement of priest status was destroyed. No longer was it only the Holy of Holy that could come into the presence of God. The responsibility transferred to the heads of families of Israel. Today, we are descendants of Israel & share in that responsibility.

Our legacy of honor comes from our Jewish brothers and sisters. Jews consider the home to be the miniature temple. The home should never be the battle ground or open portholes for the demons to enter.

Objects can tie our spiritual realms inside our homes and attaches our environments and bridge us to the demons that are trying to enter in to destroy.

Examples are objects that give principalities legal ground into your life and home.

- 1. New age books, yoga, hindu, use of drugs, spiritual awakening book, Harry Potter, (Galatians 5:20)
- 2. Any fortune telling decks
- 3. Idols and statues, buddha, hindu, angel statues, skulls, etc (Rev 9:20)
- 4. Crystals- any crystals
- 5. Jewelry that shows symbolism, tapestry, dream catchers, in scents,
- 6. Any clothes that have any symbols on them that are of the occult.
- 7. Movies watched, pornography, word curses

Read Acts 19:19

For more on this read the book *When Pigs Move In: How To Sweep Clean the Demonic Influences Impacting Your Life and the Lives of Others* by Don Dickerman.

Our home should be a place where families faithfully speak God's blessings over their children, their homes, spouses and families. It is the home that is considered the sanctuaries. This word sanctuary in Hebrew is miqdash (mik-dawsh') means a sacred space. Its meaning is a consecrated place, a place that is set aside and made holy.

#### 7 Reasons Why You Should Bless<sup>4</sup>

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- 1. You fulfill the instructions of the word of God for blessing.
- 2. You establish and promote a culture and lifestyle a blessing.
- 3. You maintain a positive "good news" mindset by blessings.
- 4. You manifest the gift of the Holy Spirit through blessing.
- 5. You confirm your dependence on God as your source.
- 6. You reinforced to yourself and to others that God's word works.
- 7. You are always blessed even more when you bless others.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Dr. John Garr, *Blessings for Friends and Family*, p. 25

GOD WANTS TO BLESS YOU.
You pray- worship, give Him glory, lay your requests before Him IN FAITH.
God responds in His Timing.

Your prayers are answered.
You are blessed through grace.
Your faith grows.
You give God glory and tell everyone how faithful He is!
You in turn bless others, your testimony encourages AND gives others the courage to believe too!

Your faith, testimony & blessing encouraged someone else to believe God in their own lives.
They pray, worship, give God all glory and lay their petition up before God.
God responds, prayers are answered, others are blessed through grace.

God gets all the glory, Blessings are given

and received

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bless others.

SO THAT

He continues to get all

the glory!

This circle of blessings gives God the rightful place to bless His children personally and in detail SO THAT those who are blessed recognize God is the only source of all we need.

### **Blessing for Your Home**

Blessed are you O Lord our God, sovereign of the universe, who has commanded us to set apart our homes as sanctuary for fellowship in spirit, where the instruction of your Word, and for prayer. We hereby dedicate this dwelling place as a template for your spirit and a habitation of peace. We invoke your blessing upon our home and upon our family. May you write your words on the very doorsteps of our home and empower us to teach them to our children when we sit down in this house, when we lie down, and when we rise up. May you multiply our days and the days of our children so that we may praise you in the land of the living. We receive the blessing of your peace as we walk in faith and observe your instructions. May you ever make this dwelling a blessing of peace in the name of Jesus our Lord. Amen.

# **Psalms 91 Protection Prayer**

Heavenly Father, I come to You now in the Name of my Lord and Savior Christ Jesus, I make a joyful shout to You, we come before Your Presence with singing, and we enter into Your gates with thanksgiving, and into Your courts with praise, and we know You are good from everlasting to everlasting. Lord throughout this prayer and throughout this day I pray for myself and the following people, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_. I pray for all members of congress and of the armed forces of our nation, all of our intercessors and all people of Israel. Heavenly Father, I ask You to allow us to dwell in the secret place of the most High and to abide under the shadow of the

Almighty. I thank you that you allow us to us say that You are our Lord, our refuge, our fortress and our God in whom we can trust. I ask You to cover each of us with Your feathers and let us walk under Your wings to take refuge. I ask You to let Your faithfulness and truth be our shield and armor. I thank you Lord that we will not be afraid of the terror by night; nor of the arrows that are thrown at us by day; nor of the deadly pestilence that walks in darkness nor of the destruction that waits us at noonday. I thank you Lord that we have faith that a thousand will fall at our side, and ten thousand at our right hand and that you Lord will not let any come near us. I ask You to give Your angels charge over us to keep us in all Your ways and let Your angel's hands lift us up, so we will not stumble or be hurt in any way. I thank you Lord that you have given us the authority to tread upon the lion and serpent and to trample them under our feet. I thank You Heavenly Father, that when we are in trouble and call upon You, You will answer us and You will deliver us, honor us and satisfy us with a long life and continuously show us Your salvation. I claim all victory for our lives and I reject all the insinuations, accusations, and temptations of satan. I affirm that the Word of God is true and we choose to live in obedience and to always fellowship with You, Precious Jesus. I ask You, Lord to open our eyes and show us the areas of our lives that do not please You. Enable us to be aggressive in prayer and faith. Enable us to practice Your word, and to give You, Your rightful place in our lives. Heavenly Father, I place all of my cares, all of my anxieties, all of my worries and all of my concerns once and for all upon You, because I know that You love me and watch over me according to 1 Peter 5:7. In Jesus Name I pray. Amen!