

The Priestly Blessing of the Sons of Aaron

יְבָרֶכֶּךָ יְהוָה וַיִּשְׁמְרֶךָ!
יָאֵר יְהוָה פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וַיַּחֲנֶנֶךָ!
יִשָּׂא יְהוָה פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וַיִּשֶׂם לְךָ שְׁלוֹם!

May the Lord bless you and keep you! May the Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you! May the Lord lift up His countenance on you, and give you peace!

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May the Lord, the only true God, the Eternal One who is the source of existence, reality and life, bless you, doing good things for you, bringing good things into your life and the life of those you love; may He keep, protect, guard and watch over you!

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May the Lord, the One who was, who is and who is to come, make His face shine on you like the face of the sun shines on the Earth, bringing warmth and heat and light, making life grow and flourish, making sight possible; may He be gracious to you, gracing you with His unmerited favor, doing lots of good things to you and for you that you don't deserve!

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May the Lord, the everlasting Creator of all things, lift up His face on you with recognition and with approval, like a good and generous man lifts up his face when he sees a beloved family member, or a dear friend that he is pleased with, and wants to do something nice for them; and may He give you shalom - peace, restoring wholeness to you, adding well-being and integrity to your life, and supplying you with everything that you need for life and godliness in this world and eternal life in the World-To-Come!