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GOD WHO BLESSES

REV. BOBOT ANDALIS | PSALM 67

"God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!" - Psalm 67:7

The meaning of the word "blessings" according to a Google search is this: *"Blessings are gifts from God that bring happiness to our lives. God also blesses us with his favor, empowering us to fulfill his plan for our lives. God blesses those who trust and obey Him. God extends both spiritual and material blessings to those who follow Him."*

Usually, we identify this word with merely material or financial blessings. But when we think of it in a wider context, it applies to all aspects of our lives, whether materially, financially, emotionally, or spiritually.

Psalm 67 talks about these truths. The Lord is worthy to be feared because He is gracious. He is a righteous judge and a guide in bestowing blessings on His people. This psalm contains elements characteristic of the Psalms of Blessing and of the psalms ascribing kingship to the Lord. It means that the Lord is the source of all things. He provides everything we need. His blessings do not just pertain to the good things we experience but also when life seems dark and full of misery. God can also use these experiences to show that life in Him is indeed

under His control because He is Sovereign over and above our lives.

As we study Psalm 67, may we have the right perspective that God is indeed the One who blesses us with all things out of His righteousness. We need to cultivate a heart of *gratefulness* for God's grace (vv. 1-2), *gladness* for God's righteousness (vv. 3-5), and *reverence* for God's glory (vv. 6-7).

We always hear this phrase, *"the heart of the problem is the problem of the heart."* I pray that as we apply the truths from this psalm, may the Lord find our hearts in the right posture in actively seeking the Lord always (Matthew 6:33), because when we seek the Lord always, everything just follows. We need to be right with God constantly (Prov. 4:23). When our hearts are right with God, we can fight any temptation that may pull us away from him, and be satisfied in the Lord's presence daily (Phil. 4:10-13). We need to tame our hearts from any form of indulgence. The enemy's tactics are to attract us to the things of this world, such as the lust of the eyes, the lust of the flesh, and the pride of life.

I pray that the Lord will always be magnified in our hearts and our lives, recognizing that, indeed, our Lord is the God who blesses. ✠



SERMON OUTLINE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDIFYING MINISTRY

Women of Grace Fellowship

August 8, 2023
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Men's Crossroad Weekend: Press Forward

August 19-21, 2023
CCT, Tagaytay

NEXTGEN MINISTRY

Night of Worship

August 26, 2023
4:00 - 6:00 pm
Youth Center

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