THE PRAYER OF BLESSING - PART-3 (THE HEBREW WORD FOR "BLESS") September 13th, 2020 Pastor Audie Clairmont

NUMBERS 6:24-26

The LORD <u>bless you</u> and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you; the LORD lift His countenance upon you, and give you peace.

"Bless" ... Barakh, literally, "to kneel down"

Genesis 24:11

He made his camels <u>kneel down [barakh]</u> outside the city by a well of water in the evening when the women came out to draw water.

Barakh - means also - "to do" or "to give something of value to another."

What must you do to receive such favor of the Father?

Matthew 6:33

But seek first the kingdom of [God] and His righteousness, and all these things shall be given to you.

We seek God's hand of provision instead of seeking His face.

2Chronicles 7:14

If My people, who are called by My name, will humble themselves and pray, and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

People first need to humble themselves.

The Father tells His people to seek His face.

"To bless" - He has left His heavenly abode and wants to kneel in front of you, making Himself available to you.

Jesus the manifestation of the Father.

COLOSSIANS 2:9

For *in Him <u>all the fullness of Deity (the Godhead)</u>* dwells in bodily form [<u>completely expressing</u> the divine essence of [God].

JOHN 13:3-5

[Yeshua], knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands and that He came from God and was going to God, rose from supper, laid aside His garments, and took a towel and wrapped Himself. After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel with which He was wrapped.

JOHN 13:6-9

Then He came to Simon Peter, and Peter said to Him, "Lord, are You washing my feet?" [Yeshua] answered him, "You do not understand what I am doing now. But later you will understand." Peter said to Him, "You shall never wash my feet!" [Yeshua] answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me." Simon Peter said to Him, "Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head!"

NUMBERS 6:24

May YaHWeH (the Self-Existent Eternal One) <u>kneel before you</u> (making Himself available to you as your heavenly Father) so He can grant, or bestow upon you His promises and gifts!

Barakh communicates that we are to humble ourselves and bow in submission to God and offer to Him all we are and all we have.

EXODUS 3:2-4

The angel of [YHWH] appeared to him in a flame of fire from the midst of a bush, and he looked, and the bush burned with fire, but the bush was not consumed. So Moses said, "I will now turn aside and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt." When [YHWH] saw that he turned aside to see, [God] called to him from out of the midst of the bush and said, "Moses, Moses." And he said, "Here am I."

EXODUS 3:5-6

[YHWH] said, "Do not approach here. Remove your sandals from off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." Moreover He said, "I am the [Elohim] of your father, the [God] of Abraham, the [God] of Isaac, and the [God] of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look upon [God].

EPHESIANS 2:14

For [Yeshua] is our peace, who has made <u>both groups one</u> and has <u>broken down the barrier</u> of the dividing wall.

HEBREWS 10:19-20

Therefore, brothers, <u>we have confidence</u> to enter the Most Holy Place <u>by the blood of Jesus</u>, by a new and living way that He has opened for us <u>through the veil</u>, that is to say, His flesh.

2 CORINTHIANS 5:21

[YHWH] made [Yeshua] who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of [God] in Him.

barakh - the ultimate gift of the coming of YHWH (our heavenly Father) from His heavenly throne onto the earth and making Himself available to us in the form of Yeshua the Messiah Himself.

JOHN 3:16

For [God the Father] so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.