

Blessed For Success! Salvation To Every Nation! Shalom To Every Home!

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The Main Question: What is the purpose & desired ultimate outcome of God's Blessing on His People

The Answer: We are blessed for success to bring salvation to every nation, & shalom to every home, so that all may know His ways and Worship Him in praise!

Blessed For Success (v. 1)

Enriched, Enabled, Endowed, Empowered

Summary: God's blessing is an effectual and powerful means by which the thing or person blessed is made special & able to accomplish the purpose and full potential for which God designed it/him/her.

To Bring Salvation To Every Nation & Shalom To Every Home (v. 2, parts of 3-7)

Shalom Defined: Universal Flourishing, Wholeness, Delight, Where Everything Is Aligned To The Perfect Will Of God

Shalom Vandalized (The Fall):

Shalom Restored (Salvation To Every Nation):

That All May Know His Ways & Worship Him In Praise (V. 2, 3-5, 7)

His Ways Known & Obeyed By All (v. 2, 7)

His Praise Lifted Up & Sung By All (v. 3-5)

Questions For Group Discussion and/or Personal Reflection

1. What stood out to you from the sermon?
2. In what ways has the Spirit of God made His Word profitable for Teaching, Rebuke, Correction, and/or Instruction in Righteousness?
See the Clip: The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe - Father Christmas - Notice how Father Christmas says, "These Are Tools, Not Toys. Bear them well, Bear them wisely."
<https://bit.ly/fatherchristmasnarnia>



What's the difference between seeing our blessings as tools rather than toys?

3. In what ways have you turned the "tools" and "resources" that God has given you into "toys" to be enjoyed for yourself?
4. Make a list of 5 things you have been blessed with by God that can be used to help others find Christ & experience His Shalom?
5. What changes can you make (or what should stay the same) to be a good steward of these resources?
6. Read Eph 1:3-14 & think through & discuss all the reasons Paul gives to "bless" or give "praise" to the Lord.

