

PSALM 35 July 6, 2016
A psalm of David.

[A prayer for God's help against persecutors.]

1. Plead, Lord, with them that with me plead: fight against them that fight with me.
2. Of shield and buckler take thou hold; stand up my helper for to be.
3. Draw out the spear and stop the way 'gainst them that my pursuers be:
and do thou say unto my soul, "I am salvation unto thee".
4. Let them confounded be, and shamed, that seek my soul how they may spill:
let them be turned back and shamed that in their thoughts devise mine ill.
5. As chaff before the wind, let them be, and God's Angel them driving.
6. Let their way dark and slippery be, and the Lord's Angel them chasing.
7. For in a pit without a cause, they hidden have for me a net:
which they without a cause have digged that they therein my soul may get.
8. Let unknown ruin come on him, and let his net that he doth hide,
himself ensnare: let him into the very same destruction slide.
9. My soul shall in the Lord be glad: in his salvation joyful be.
10. And all my bones shall also say, "O Lord, who is like unto thee?"
Who from the stronger then himself the poor afflicted settest free:
the poor afflicted and needy, from such as spoilers of him be.
11. False witnesses did up arise: what I knew not, they charged on me.
12. Evil for good they me repaid, whereby my soul might spoiled be.
13. But I, when they were sick, was clothed with sackcloth, and I afflicted
my soul with fasting, and my prayer into my bosom returned.
14. I walked as if he had been my near friend or mine own brother:
I heavily bowed down as one that mourneth for his own mother.
15. But they in mine adversity rejoiced, and they gathered:
and I was ignorant hereof; and they unceasingly me tear.
16. With hypocrites, mockers in feasts, at me their teeth they gnashing were.
17. How long, O Lord, wilt thou look on? My soul from their destructions
O do thou set at liberty; mine only one from the Lions.
18. I freely will give thanks to thee within the congregation great:
and I thy praises will set forth where there be many people met.
19. Those that are wrongfully my foes, let them not rejoice over me:
neither let them wink with the eye, that are my haters ceaselessly.
20. Because that they do not speak peace, but in their thoughts they do invent
deceitful matters against them that in the land for peace are bent.
21. 'Gainst me they opened their mouths wide, and said, "Ah! Ah! Our eye, it saw!"
22. Thou saw'st it, Lord. Hold not thy peace. Lord, from me be not far away.

23. Stir up and wake to my judgment, my God and my Lord, to my plea.
24. After thy justice, judge me, Lord my God, lest o'er me joy should they.
25. Let them not say within their hearts, "Aha! Our souls' desire have we: we now have swallowed him up!" O, let them never say of me.
26. Shamed let them be and confounded jointly, who at my hurt are glad; let them that 'gainst me magnify, with shame and dishonor be clad.
27. Let them for joy shout and be glad that favor do my righteous cause. Yea, let them say continually, "Extolled be the Lord with praise Who doth in the prosperity of his servants his pleasure stay!"
28. And my tongue of thy justice shall, and of thy praise speak all the day.

PSALM 36 July 9, 2016

To the chief Musician, a psalm of David, the servant of the Lord.

An accurate description of some of our top authorities, and a prayer for protection against them.

1. The trespass of the wicked one, saith in assured-wise within my heart, "The fear of God is not before his eyes".
2. For in his eyes he soothes himself: his sin is found meanwhile
3. hateful. The words of his mouth are iniquity and guile. He, to be 'wise', to do good leaves. 4. He mischief plots on his bed. He sets himself in way not good: he hath not ill hated.
5. Thy mercy, Lord, in heaven is; to clouds, thy faithfulness.
6. Thy judgments a great deep; like great mountains thy righteousness. Thou savest man and beast, O Lord. 7. How precious is thy grace! Therefore, in shadow of thy wings, men's sons their trust do place.
8. They of the fatness of thy house unto the full shall take; and of the river of thy joys to drink thou shalt them make.
9. For with thee is the spring of life: in thy light we will see light.
10. To them that know thee, stretch thy grace; to right in heart, the right.
11. Let no proud foot against me come, nor wicked hand move me.
12. Wrong doers there are fallen - cast down, and raised they cannot be.

PSALM 37 July 10, 2016

A psalm of David.

The wicked and righteous contrasted.

1. Fret not thyself because of those that evil workers be,
nor envious be against the men that work iniquity.
2. For like unto the grass, they shall be cut down suddenly;
and like unto the tender herb, they withering shall die.
3. Upon the Lord, put thou thy trust, and be thou doing good;
so shalt thou dwell within the land, and sure thou shalt have food.
4. See that thou set thy heart's delight also upon the Lord,
and the desires of thine heart to thee He will afford.
5. Trust in the Lord, and He'll it work; to Him commit thy way:
6. As light, thy justice He'll bring forth; thy judgment as noon day.
7. Rest in Jehovah, and for Him with patience do thou stay.
Fret not thyself because of him who prospers in his way,
nor at the man who brings to pass the crafts he doth devise.
8. Cease ire and wrath; leave to do ill; thyself fret in no wise.
9. For evildoers shall be made, by cutting down, to fall;
but those that wait upon the Lord, the land inherit shall.
10. For yet a little while, and then the wicked shall not be;
yea, thou shalt diligently mark his place, and it not see.
11. But meek ones the inheritance shall of the earth possess;
also, they shall themselves delight in multitude of peace.
12. The wicked plots against the just, gnashing at him his teeth;
13. The Lord shall laugh at him, because his day coming He seeth.
14. The wicked have drawn out their sword, and bent their bow have they,
to cast the poor and needy down, to kill the upright in way.
15. Their sword shall enter their own heart; their bows shall broken be.
16. The just man's little, better is than wicked's treasury.
17. For the arms of wicked shall be broke; the Lord, the just doth stay.
18. The Lord doth know upright mens' days, and their lot is for aye.
19. Neither shall they ashamed be in any time of ill;
and when the days of famine come, they then shall have their fill.
20. But wicked, and foes of the Lord, as lambs' fat shall decay.
They shall consume, yea, into smoke they shall consume away.
21. The man, ungodly, borroweth, but he doth not repay;
but he that righteous is, doth show mercy and gives away.

22. For such as of Him blessed be, the earth inherit shall,
and they that of Him cursed are, by cutting down shall fall.
23. The footsteps of a godly man, they are by Jehovah
established and also He delighteth in his way.
24. Although he fall, yet shall he not be utterly downcast,
because Jehovah with His hand doth underprop him fast.
25. I have been young, and now am old, yet have I never seen
the just man left, nor that his seed for bread have beggars been.
26. But every day, he's merciful and lends. His seed is blessed.
27. Depart from evil, and do good, and ever dwell at rest.
28. Because the Lord doth judgement love, His saints forsakes not He;
kept ever are they, but cut off the sinner's seed shall be.
29. The just inherit shall the land, and therein ever dwell.
30. The just man's mouth wisdom doth speak; his tongue doth judgement tell.
31. The law of his God is in his heart; none of his steps slideth.
32. The wicked watcheth for the just, and him to slay seeketh.
33. Jehovah will not such a one relinquish in His hand,
neither will He condemn him, when adjudged he doth stand.
34. Wait on the Lord, and keep His way, and He shall thee exalt:
the earth to inherit; when cut off, the wicked see thou shalt.
35. The wicked men, I have beheld in mighty power to be.
Also, himself spreading abroad, like to a green bay tree.
36. Never the less, he passed away and, lo, then was not he;
moreover, I did seek for him, but found he could not be.
37. Take notice of the perfect man, and the upright attend:
because that unto such a man, peace is his latter end.
38. But such men that transgressors are, together perish shall;
the latter end shall be cut off of the ungodly all.
39. But the salvation of the just, doth of Jehovah come;
He is their strength to them in times that are most troublesome.
40. Yea, help and free them, will the Lord; He shall deliver them
from wicked men, because that they do put their trust in Him.

PSALM 38 July 11, 2016

A psalm of David, to bring to remembrance.

The woefulness of sin.

1. Lord, in thy wrath rebuke me not, nor in thy hot rage chasten me:
because thine hand doth press me sore, and in me thy shafts fastened be.
2. There is no soundness in my flesh, because thine anger I am in;
3. nor is there any rest within my bones, by reason of my sin,
4. because that mine iniquities ascended are above my head.
Like as an heavy burden, they too heavy upon me are laid.
5. My wounds stink, and corrupt they be; my foolishness doth make it so.
6. I troubled am, and much bowed down; all the day long I mourning go.
7. For with foul sores my loins are filled, and in my flesh is no soundness.
8. I'm weak and broken sore; I roared because of my heart's restlessness.
9. All my desire is before thee, Lord, nor is my groaning hid from thee.
10. My heart doth pant, my strength me fails, and mine eyesight is gone from me.
11. My friends and lovers, from my sore stand off; off stand my kinsmen, eke.
12. And they lay snares that seek my life; that seek my hurt, they mischief speak,
and all day long imagine guile. 13. But as one deaf, I did not hear,
and as a dumb man I became, as if his mouth not open were.
14. Thus was I as man that hears not, and in whose mouth reproofs none were.
15. Because, O Lord, in thee I hope, O Lord my God, thou wilt me hear.
16. For said I, "Lest o'er me they joy: when my foot slips, they vaunt the more
17. themselves against me." For I to halt am near; my griefs still me before.
18. For my transgression I'll declare; I for my sins will sorry be.
19. But yet my lively foes are strong; who falsely hate me multiply.
20. Moreover, they that do repay evil instead of good to me,
because I follow what is good, to me they adversaries be.
21. Jehovah do not me forsake. My God, O do not far depart
22. from me. Make haste unto mine aid, O Lord, who my salvation art.

PSALM 39 July 13, 2016

To the Chief Musician, even to Jedurhun.

David feeling very heavily chastened by God.

1. I said, "I will look to my ways, lest I sin with my tongue.
I'll keep my mouth with bit, while I the wicked am among."
2. With silence tied was my tongue; my mouth I did refrain
from speaking that thing which is good, and stirred was my pain.
3. My heart within me waxed hot, while I was musing long.
Enkindled in me was the fire: then spake I with my tongue.
4. Mine end, O Lord, and of my days, let me the measure learn,
that what a momentary thing I am I may discern.
5. Behold, thou madest my days a span; mine age as naught to thee.
Surely, each man at his best estate is wholly vanity. Selah
6. Sure, in a vain show walketh man. Sure, stirred in vain they are.
He heaps up riches, and knows not who shall the same gather.
7. And now, O Lord, what wait I for; my hope is upon Thee.
8. Free me from all my trespasses; the fool's scorn make not me.
9. I was dumb, nor opened my mouth, this done because thou hast.
10. Remove thy stroke away from me: by thy hand's blow I waste.
11. When with rebukes thou dost correct man for iniquity,
thou blasts his beauty like a moth. Sure, each man is vanity. Selah.
12. Hear my prayer, Lord; hark to my cry; be not still at my tears:
for stranger and pilgrim with thee, I be as all my fathers.
13. O, turn aside a while from me, that I may strength recall
before I do depart from hence and be no more at all.

PSALM 40 July 14, 2016

To the Chief Musician, a psalm of David.

A cry to God for help in a time of distress.

1. With expectation for the Lord, I waited patiently,
and He inclined unto me; also He heard my cry.
2. He brought me out of dreadful pit, out of the miry clay,
and set my feet upon a rock; He stablished my way.
3. And in my mouth put a new song of praise our God unto.
Many shall see and fear; upon the Lord shall trust, also.
4. Blessed is the man that on the Lord maketh his trust abide,
nor doth the proud respect, nor such to lies as turn aside.

5. O, thou Jehovah, thou my God, hast many a wonder wrought;
and, likewise, towards us thou hast conceived many a thought.
Their sum cannot be reckoned up in order unto Thee.
Would I declare and speak of them, beyond account they be.
6. Thou, sacrifice and offering wouldst not; Thou boarest mine ear.
Burnt offering and sin offering thou neither didst require.
7. Then said I, "Lo, I come: in the book's roll it is writ of me,
8. to do thy will, God, I delight; thy laws in my heart be."
9. In the great congregation, Thy righteousness I show.
Lo, I have not refrained my lips; Jehovah, thou dost know.
10. I have not hid Thy righteousness within my heart alone:
I have declared Thy faithfulness and Thy salvation.
Thy mercy, nor thy truth, have I from the great church concealed.
11. Let not Thy tender mercies be from me, O Lord, withheld.
Let both thy kindness and Thy truth keep me my life throughout.
12. Because innumerable ills have compassed me about,
my sins have caught me so that I not able am to see.
More are they than hairs of my head; therefore my heart fails me.
13. Be pleased, Lord, to deliver me, to help me, Lord, make haste.
14. At once abashed and shamed let be who seek my soul to waste.
Let them be driven back and shamed that wish me misery.
15. Let them be waste to quit their shame that say to me "Fie! Fie!"
16. Let all be glad and joy in Thee; that seek Thee let them say
who thy salvation love, "The Lord, be magnified alway!"
17. I both distressed and needy am, the Lord yet thinks on me.
My help and my deliverer, Thou; my God, do not tarry.

PSALM 41 July 17, 2016

To the Chief Musician, a psalm of David.

*A prayer for healing and strength to triumph over enemies.
A prophetic prayer of Christ while on the cross.*

1. Blessed is he that wisely doth unto the poor attend:
the Lord will him deliverance in time of trouble send.
2. Him God will keep and make to live, on earth he blessed shall be,
nor do Thou him unto the will give of his enemy.

3. Upon the bed of languishing, the Lord will strengthen him:
Thou also wilt make all his bed within his sickness time,
4. I said, Jehovah, O be Thou merciful unto me;
heal Thou my soul, because that I have sinned against thee.
5. Those men that be mine enemies, with evil me defame:
when will the time come he shall die, and perish shall his name?
6. And if he come to see me, he speaks vanity: his heart
sin to itself heaps; when he goes forth he doth it impart.
7. All that me hate, against me they together whisper still:
against me they imagine do to me malicious ill.
8. Thus do they say, "Some ill disease unto him cleaveth sore:
and seeing now he layeth down, he shall rise up no more."
9. Moreover, my familiar friend, on whom my trust I set,
his heel against me lifted up, who of my bread did eat.
10. But, Lord, me pity and me raise that I may them requite.
11. By this I know assuredly in me thou dost delight:
for o'er me triumphs not my foe, 12. and me - thou dost me stay
in mine integrity; and settest me thee before for aye.
13. Blessed hath Jehovah, Israel's God, from everlasting been,
also unto everlasting: Amen, yea and Amen.

THE SECOND BOOK

PSALM 42 July 18, 2016

To the Chief Musician, Maschil, for the sons of Korah.

A longing for intimacy with God; an affirmation of faith in God.

1. Like as the hart panting doth bray after the water brooks,
even in such wise, O God, my soul after Thee panting looks.
2. For God, even for the living God, my soul it thirsteth for:
Oh, when shall I come and appear the face of God before!
3. My tears have been unto me meat by night, also by day,
while all the day they unto me "Where is thy God?" do say.
4. When as I do in mind record these things, then me upon
I do my soul outpour. For I with multitude had gone;
with them unto God's house I went with voice of joy and praise.

I with a multitude did go that did keep holy days.

5. My soul, why art cast down? and art stirred in me? Thy hope place in God, for yet Him praise I shall for the help of His face.
6. My God, my soul in me is cast down, therefore Thee mind I will from Jordan's and Hermonites' land and from the little hill.
7. At the noise of Thy water spouts, deep unto deep doth call.
Thy waves they are gone over me, also thy billows, all.
8. His living kindness yet the Lord command will in the day;
and in the night his song with me. To my life's God I'll pray.
9. I unto God will say, "My Rock, why hast Thou forgot me?"
Why go I sad by reason of pressure of the enemy?
10. As with a sword within my bones my foes reproach me do:
while all the day, "Where is thy God?" they do say me unto.
11. My soul, oh, wherefore dost thou bow thyself down heavily;
and wherefore in me makest thou a stir tumultuously?
12. Hope thou in God, because I shall with pride Him yet advance:
who is my God; also, He is health of my countenance.

PSALM 43 JULY 20, 2016

A quick turn from the problem to The Solution.

1. Judge me, O God, and plead my cause from nation merciless;
from the guileful and man unjust, O send Thou me redress.
2. For of my strength Thou art the God: why cast'st thou me thee fro'?
Why go I mourning for the sore oppression of the foe?
3. Thy light, O send out and Thy truth; let them lead and bring me
unto Thy holy hill and where Thy tabernacle be.
4. Then will I to God's altar go, to God my joy's gladness.
Upon the harp, O God, my God, I will Thy praise express.
5. My soul, O wherefore dost thou bow thyself down heavily?
And wherefore in me makest thou a stir tumultuously?
Hope thou in God, because I shall with praise Him yet advance
who is my God, also He is health of my countenance.

PSALM 44 July 21, 2016

To the Chief Musician, for the sons of Korah.

[A sincere talk with God about His past help and our present need for it.]

1. We with our ears have heard, O God, our fathers have us told,
what works Thou didst in their days - in former days of old.
- 2 How Thy hand drave the heathen out, and them Thou planted hast;
how Thou the people didst afflict, and Thou didst them out-cast.
3. For they got not by their own sword the land's possession;
neither yet was it their own arm wrought their salvation:
But Thy right hand, Thine arm also, Thy countenance's light;
because that of Thine own good will Thou didst in them delight.
4. Thou art my king, O mighty God; Thou dost, the same, endure.
Do Thou for Jacob, by command, deliverances procure.
5. Through Thee, as with a horn, we will push down our enemies.
Through Thy name will we tread them down that up against us rise.
6. Because that I will in no wise any assurance have
upon my bow; neither is it my sword that shall me save;
7. but from our enemies us Thou saved, and put our foes to shame:
8. in God we boast all the day long and, for aye, praise Thy name.

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9. But thou hast cast us off away. Thou makest us also
to be ashamed; neither dost Thou forth with our armies go.
10. Us from before the enemy Thou makest back recoil.
Likewise they which our haters be, for themselves us do spoil.
11. Thou hast us given like to sheep to slaughter that belong.
Also Thou hast us scattered the heathen folk among.
12. Thou dost Thy people set to sale, whereby no wealth doth rise:
neither dost Thou obtain increase of riches by their price.
13. Unto our neighbors a reproach Thou doest us expose.
A scorn we are and mocking stock to them that us enclose.
14. Among the heathen people Thou a byword dost us make.
Also, among the nations, at us their heads they shake.
15. Before me - my confusion - it is continually;
and of my countenance, the shame hath over-covered me,
16. because of his voice that doth scorn and scoffingly despise;
by reason of the enemy and self-revenging wight.

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17. All this is come on us: we yet have not forgotten Thee;
neither against Thy covenant have we dealt faithlessly.
18. Our heart is not turned back, nor have our steps from Thy way strayed.
19. Though us Thou brake in dragon's place, and hid us in death's shade.
20. Had we forgot God's name, or stretched to a strange God our hands,
21. shall not God search this out? For He hearts' secrets understands.
22. Yea, for Thee, all day we are killed: counted as sheep to slay.
23. Awake! Why sleepest Thou, Lord? Arise! Cast us not off for aye.
24. Thy countenance away from us, oh, wherefore dost Thou hide?
- of our grief and oppression, forgetful dost abide?
25. For our soul is bowed down to dust; to earth cleaves our belly.
26. Rise for our help, and us redeem, because of thy mercy.

PSALM 45 JULY 22, 2016

To the Chief Musician upon Shoshannim, for the sons of Korah: Maschil, a song of loves.

[A song of rejoicing about Christ, the King, and The Church, His Bride.]

1. My heart good matter boileth forth; my words touching the King
I speak: my tongue is as the pen of Scribe swiftly writing.
2. Fairer thou art than sons of men, grace in thy lips is shed
because of this the Lord hath thee forevermore blessed.
3. Thy wafting sword, O mighty One, gird thou upon thy thigh;
Thy glorious magnificence and comely majesty.
4. Ride forth upon the word of truth, meekness and righteousness:
and thy right hand shall lead thee forth in works of dreadfulness.
5. Within the heart of the king's foes, thine arrows piercing be,
whereby the people, overcome, shall fall down under Thee.
6. Thy throne, O God, forever is; the scepter of Thy state
7. right scepter is. Justice Thou love'st, but wickedness doth hate.
Because of this, God, ev'n thy God, He hath anointed Thee
with oil of gladness above them that thy companions be.
8. Myrrhs', aloes', and cassias' smell, all of Thy garments had
out of the ivory palaces, whereby they made Thee glad.
9. Amongst Thine honorable maids, kings' daughters present were.
The Queen is set at thy right hand in fine gold of Ophir.

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10. Hearken, O daughter, and behold; do thou incline thine ear:
do thou forget thine own people, and house of thy father.
11. So shall the King delighting rest himself in thy beauty.
And, bowing down, worship thou Him, because thy Lord is He.
12. Then shall be present with a gift the daughter there of Tyre:
the wealthy ones of the people Thy favor shall desire.
13. The daughter of the King, she is all glorious within:
and with embroideries of gold, her garments wrought have been.
14. She is led in unto the King in robes with needle wrought.
The virgins that do follow her shall unto Thee be brought.
15. They shall be brought forth with gladness, also with rejoicing.
So shall they entrance have into the palace of the king.
16. Thy children shall, instead of those that were thy father's, be
whom thou mayst place in all the earth in princely dignity.
17. Thy name remembered I will make through generations all:
therefore forever and for aye, the people praise thee shall.

PSALM 46 July 26, 2016

To the Chief Musician, for the sons of Korah, a song upon Alemoth.

Faith in our almighty God, no matter what the circumstances.

1. God is our refuge, strength and help in troubles very near.
2. Therefore we will not be afraid though th'earth removed were;
Though mountains move to midst of seas; Though waters roaring make,
and troubled, be - at whose swellings, although, the mountains shake. Selah.
4. There is a river, streams whereof shall rejoice God's city,
the holy place, the tent wherein abideth the Most High.
5. God is within the midst of her: moved thee shall not be:
God shall be unto her an help in the morning early.
6. The nations made tumultuous noise: the kingdoms moved were.
He did give forth His thundering voice: the earth did melt with fear.
7. The God of Armies is with us; th'eternal Jehovah:
The God of Jacob is for us a refuge high. Selah.
8. O, come ye forth; behold the works which Jehovah hath wrought;

- the fearful desolations, which on the earth He brought.
9. Unto the utmost ends of th'earth, wars into peace He turns:
the spear He cuts, the bow He breaks, in fire the chariots burns.
 10. Be still, and know that I am God; exalted be will I
among the heathen: through the earth I'll be exalted high.
 11. The God of Armies is with us, th'eternal Jehovah:
the God of Jacob is for us a refuge high. Selah.

PSALM 47 July 28, 2016

To the Chief Musician: a psalm for the sons of Korah.

A song of praise to God for His greatness.

1. Clap hands all people! Shout for joy to God with voice of singing mirth!
2. For high Jehovah fearful is; a great King over all the earth.
3. People to us He doth subdue, and nations under our feet lay.
4. For us our heritage He chose: His dear Jacob's glory. Selah
5. God is ascended with a shout: Jehovah with the trumpet's noise.
6. Sing psalms to God! Sing psalms! Sing psalms unto our King with singing voice,
7. For God is King of all the earth! Sing ye psalms of instruction!
8. Over the heathen God will reign; God sits His holy throne upon.
9. To the people of Abraham's God, princes of peoples, gathered be
for shields of th'earth to God belong: He is exalted mightily.

PSALM 48 July 29, 2016

To the Chief Musician, a song and psalm for the sons of Korah.

The glories of God's capitol, Jerusalem. [ie: our hearts]

1. Great is Jehovah, and He is to be praised greatly
within the city of our God, in His mountain holy,
2. for situation beautiful - the joy of the whole earth:
Mount Zion, the Great King's city, on the sides of the north.
3. God, in her palaces, is known to be a refuge high.
4. For, lo, the kings assembled were; they passed together by.
5. They saw, and so they marveled; were troubled; fled for fear.

6. Trembling seized on them, there, and pain like her that child doth bear.
7. The navies that of Tarshish are, in pieces Thou breakest,
even with a very blast of wind coming out of the east.
8. As we heard, so we saw within the Lord of Host's city.
In our God's city, God will it 'stablish eternally.
9. O God, we have had thoughts upon Thy free benignity
within the very middle part of Thy temple holy.
10. According to Thy name, O God, so is Thy praise unto
the ends of earth. Thy right hand is full of righteousness, also.
11. Let the mountain, Zion, rejoice, and triumph let them make,
who are the daughters of Judah, even for Thy judgment's sake.
12. About the hill of Zion, walk, and go about her, ye,
and do ye reckon up thereof the towers that therein be.
13. Do ye full well her bulwarks mark; her palaces view well,
that to the generation to come ye may it tell.
14. For this same God, He is our God, forever and for aye.
Likewise unto the very death, He guides us in our way.

PSALM 49 July 31, 2016

To the chief musician a psalm for the sons of Korah.

The folly of trusting in one's wealth; the brevity of life; the certainty of the grave.

1. Hear this, all people! All give ear that dwell the world all o're!
 2. Sons both of low and higher men, jointly both rich and poor!
 3. My mouth it shall variety of wisdom be speaking,
and my heart's meditation shall be of understanding.
 4. Unto a speech proverbial I will mine ear incline;
I will also upon the harp open my dark doctrine.
 5. Why should I be at all afraid in days that evil be:
when that my heels iniquity about shall compass me!
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6. Those men that make their great estates, their stay to trust unto,
who in the plenty of their wealth themselves do boast also:
 7. There's not a man of them that can by any means redeem
his brother, nor give unto God enough to ransom him -
 8. so dear their soul's redemption is, and never ceaseth it,

9. that he should still forever live and never see the pit.
10. For He doth see that wise men die - the fool and brutish, too,
to perish - and their rich estate to others leave they do.
11. They think their houses are for aye, to generations all.
Their dwelling places and their lands, by their own names they call.
12. Never the less, in honor man abideth not a night:
become he is just like unto the beasts that perish quite.
13. This their own way their folly is; yet what fore'er they say,
their successors that follow them do well approve. Selah.
14. Like sheep, so are they laid in grave; death shall them feed upon;
and th'upright over them in morn shall have dominion.
And from the place where they do dwell, the beauty which they have,
shall utterly consume away in the devouring grave.

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15. But surely God redemption unto my soul will give,
even from the power of the grave, for He will me receive! Selah!
16. Be not afraid when as a man in wealth is made to grow,
and when the glory of his house abundantly doth flow,
17. because he shall carry away nothing when he doth die,
neither shall after him descend aught of his dignity.
18. And albeit that he his soul in time of his life blessed,
and men will praise thee, when as thou much of thyself makest,
19. he shall go to his father's race; they never shall see light.
20. Man in honor, and know'th not, is like beasts that perish quite.

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A psalm of Asaph.

God calls the whole earth of righteousness.

1. The mighty God, the Lord, hath spoke, and He the earth doth call
from the uprising of the sun thereof unto the fall.
2. The mighty God hath clearly shined out of the mount Zion,
which is of beauty excellent; the full perfection.
3. Our God shall come, and not be still; fire shall waste in His sight;
and round about him shall be raised a storm of vehement might.
4. His folk to judge He from above calls heavens and earth likewise,

5. "Bring Me my saints, that cov'nant make with Me by sacrifice."
6. And the heavens shall His righteousness show forth apparently:
because the mighty God Himself a righteous judge will be. Selah.

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7. "Hear, O my people, and I will speak. I will testify
also to thee, O Israel: I even thy God am I.
8. As for thy sacrifices, I will find no fault with thee;
or thy burnt off'rings, which have been at all times before me.
9. I'll take no bullocks, nor he-goats from house or folds of thine,
10. for forest beasts and cattle, all, on thousand hills are mine.
11. The flying fowls of the mountains, all of them do I know;
and every wild beast of the field, it is with Me, also.
12. If I were hungry, I would not it unto thee declare:
for mine the habitable world and fulness of it are.
13. Of bullocks eat the flesh, or drink the blood of goats, will I?
14. Thanks offer unto God, and pay thy vows to the Most High.
15. And in the day of trouble sore, do thou unto Me cry,
and I will thee deliver, and thou Me shalt glorify."

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16. But, to the wicked, God saith, "Why dost thou the mention make
of My statutes? Why in thy mouth should'st thou my cov'nant take,
17. since thou dost hate teaching, and dost My words behind thee cast?
18. When thou didst see a thief, then thou with him consented hast;
and likewise with adulterers, thy part hath been the same.
19. Thy mouth to evil thou dost give, and guile thy tongue doth frame.
Thou sittest, thou dost speak against the man that is thy brother:
and thou dost slander him that is the son of thine own mother.
21. These things hast thou committed, and in silence I kept close:
that I was altogether like thyself, thou didst suppose.
I'll thee reprove, and in order before thine eyes them set.
22. O, therefore, now, consider this, ye that do God forget:
Lest I you tear, and there be no any deliverer.
23. He glorifieth Me that doth praise unto Me offer.
24. And he that doth order aright his conversation,
to him will I give that he may see God's salvation."