

FOURTH BOOK

PSALM 90 Sunday, September 25, 2016

A prayer of Moses, the man of God.

A prayer for blessing.

1. Oh Lord, Thou hast been unto us from generation,
to generation, a place of fixed mansion.
2. Before the mountains were brought forth, ere earth and world by Thee
were form'd, Thou art eternally God, to eternity.
3. Thou dost unto destruction turn miserable men:
and then Thou sayest, "Ye sons of men, do ye return again".
4. For why, oh Lord? A thousand years are but within Thy sight
as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch by night.
5. By Thee, as if it were a flood, they quite away are borne,
they, like a sleep, and as the grass that grows up in the morn.
6. It in the morning flourisheth; it also up doth grow;
it in the evening is cut down; it withereth, also.
7. Because we by Thine anger are consumed speedily:
and by Thy sore displeasure we are troubled, suddenly.
8. Thou hast set our iniquities before Thee in Thy sight:
our secret evils are within Thy countenance's light.
9. Because in Thine exceeding wrath our days all pass away:
our years we have consumed quite; even as a tale are they.

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10. Three score and ten years are the days of our years which remain,
and if through strength they four score be, their strength is grief and pain:
11. for it's cut off, soon, and we fly 11. away. Who is't doth know
Thine anger's strength? According as Thy fear, Thy wrath is so.
12. Teach us to count our days: our hearts, so, we'll on wisdom set.
13. Turn Lord! How long? Of Thy servants, let it repent Thee yet.
14. Oh, give us satisfaction, betimes, with Thy mercy:
that so rejoice and be right glad, through all our days, may we.
15. According to the days wherein affliction we have had,
and years wherein we have seen ill, now also make us glad.
16. Unto those that Thy servants be, do Thou Thy work declare:
also, Thy comely glory to those that Thy children are.

17. Let our God's beauty be on us; our handiworks, also,
'stablish on us; our handiwork establish it, do Thou.

PSALM 91 September 26, 2016

Divine protection because of walking with God.

1. He that within the secret place of the Most High doth dwell,
 he under the Almighty's shade shall lodge himself full well.
2. My Hope He is, and my Fortress. I to the Lord will say:
 "He is my God; and I in Him my confidence will stay."
3. Surely, out of the fowler's snare He shall deliver thee;
 also, thee from the pestilence, infectious, shall free.
4. He with His feathers hide thee shall; under His wings shall be
 thy trust. His truth shall be a shield and buckler unto thee.
5. Thou shalt not be dismayed with fear for terror by the night: nor for the
 arrow that with speed flieth in the daylight:
6. Nor for the pestilence that doth walk in the darkness fast:
 nor for the sore destruction that doth at noonday waste.

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7. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand, also,
 at thy right had, but it shall not approach thee near unto:
8. Only thou with thine eyes this thing attentively shalt view:
 also thou shalt behold how that the wicked have their due.
9. Because Jehovah - Who hath been my safe protection -
 ev'n the Most High, thou hast Him made thine habitation.
10. Not anything that evil is there shall to thee befall,
 neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling place, at all.
11. Because that He His angels will command concerning thee:
 in all thy ways where thou dost walk, thy keeper for to be,
12. they shall support thee in their hands, lest thou against a stone
13. should'st dash thy foot. Thou trample shall on th'adder and lion:
 The lion young and dragon thou shalt tread under thy feet.
14. I will deliver him, for he on Me his love hath set:

- Because that He hath known My name, I will him set on high.
15. Upon Me he shall call in pray'r, and answer him will I:
I will be with him when he is in troublesome distress,
and I to him will honor give, when I shall him release.
 16. With days of long continuance, I'll give to him his fill;
and also My salvation declare to him I will.

PSALM 92 September 28, 2016

A psalm or song for the Sabbath day.

A faith-filled praise for future blessings.

1. It is a good thing to give thanks, Jehovah, Thee unto;
unto Thy name praises to sing, oh, Thou, Most High, also;
2. thy loving kindnesses to show forth within the morning light;
also, Thy truth & faithfulness to show forth every night.
3. Upon a ten-string'd instrument, and psaltery upon;
upon the solemn sounding harp, a meditation.
4. For through Thy work, oh, Lord, Thou hast me caused to rejoice:
and in the working of Thy hands I will triumph with voice.
5. Oh, Lord, how mighty are Thy works: Thy thoughts are very deep.
6. The brutish knows not, nor the fool this in his heart doth keep.
7. When as the wicked do spring up even like the grass unto,
and all that work iniquity when as they flourish do,
it's that they then may be destroy'd to perpetuity.
8. But Thou, Jehovah, dost abide, forevermore Most High.
9. For lo, Thy foes - for, lo, oh, Lord, Thy foes they perish shall:
the workers of iniquity they shall be scattered all!

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10. But, like the unicorns, my horn Thou shalt exalt on high:
and with fresh oil, in mine old age, anointed be shall I.
11. Also, mine eye shall see my wish upon mine enemies:
mine ear shall hear of wicked ones that up against me rise.
12. Like to the palm tree, flourish shall he that is righteous:
like to a cedar he shall grow, that is in Lebanon.
13. They that within Jehovah's house are planted steadfastly:
within the courts of our God they shall flourish pleasantly.

14. Their fruit they shall in their old age continue forth to bring:
they shall be fat, yea, likewise, they shall still be flourishing:
15. To show that upright is the Lord: my refuge strong is He,
Also that there is not in Him any iniquity.

PSALM 93 September 30, 2016

God is in charge. Hallelujah!

1. The Lord reigns, cloth'd with majesty: God cloath'd with strength, doth gird
Himself. The world so stabish'd is, that it cannot be stir'd.
2. Thy throne is stablished of old: 3. from aye, Thou art. Their voice
the floods lift up, Lord; floods lift up; the floods lift up their noise.
4. The Lord on high, than waters noise, more strong 's than waves of sea:
5. Thy words most sure: Lord, holiness becomes thine house for aye.

PSALM 94 October 1, 2016

A lament against wickedness in authorities; and the assurance that God will make things right.

1. Oh, Lord God, unto Whom there do revenges appertain -
Oh, God, to Whom vengeance belongs - clearly shine forth again!
2. Exalt Thyself, oh, Thou that art Judge of the earth throughout:
render a recompense unto all those that are so stout.
3. Jehovah, oh, how long shall they that do, walk wickedly?
How long shall those that wicked are, rejoice triumphantly?
4. How long shall those men utter forth, and speak things that hard be?
And shall - all such - thus boast themselves, that work iniquity?
5. Lord, they Thy folk in pieces break: and heritage oppress.
6. They slay the widow and stranger, and kill the fatherless.
7. "The Lord", they say, "yet shall not see, nor Jacob's God it mind."
8. Learn, vulgar sots! Also, ye folks, when will ye wisdom find!
9. Who plants the ear, shall He not hear? Who forms the eye, not see?
10. Who heathen smites, shall He not check? Mans' teacher, knows not He?

11. The Lord doth know the thoughts of man, that they are very vain.
12. Bless'd man whom Thou corrects, oh, Lord; and in Thy law dost train.
13. That Thou mayst give him quiet from days of adversity,
until the pit be dig-ged for such as do wickedly.
14. Because, Jehovah, He will not His people cast away,
neither will He forsake His own inheritance for aye.
15. But judgment unto righteousness, it shall return again;
also, all upright ones in heart, they shall pursue it then.
16. Against the evil doers, who will up for me arise?
Who will stand up for me 'gainst them that work iniquities?
17. Had not the Lord me help'd: my soul had near in silence dwell'd.
18. When as I said, "My foot slips, Lord!", Thy mercy me upheld.

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19. Amidst the multitude of thoughts of mine within my mind,
still from Thy consolations, my soul delight doth find.
20. Shall the throne of iniquity have fellowship with Thee:
which frameth molestation, and that by a decree?
21. They jointly gather-ed themselves: together they withstood
the soul of him that righteous is - and condemn guiltless blood.
22. But yet, Jehovah, unto me, He is a refuge high:
also, my God, He is the Rock of my hopeful safety.
23. Their mischief on them He shall bring, and in their wickedness
He shall them cut off: yea, the Lord our God shall them suppress.

PSALM 95 October 3, 2016

An exclamatory urging to sincere worship and praise.

1. Oh, come! Let us unto the Lord shout loud with singing voice!
To the Rock of our saving health, let us make joyful noise!
2. Before His presence, let us then approach with thanksgiving!
Also, let us triumphantly, with psalms, unto Him sing!
3. For the Lord, a great God! and great King above all gods is!
4. In Whose hands are deeps of the earth! and strength of hills are His!
5. The sea to Him doth appertain! - also He made the same!
and also the dry land is His! for it His hands did frame!
6. Oh, come, and let us worship give! and bowing down, adore!

- He that our Maker is, the Lord! Oh! let us kneel before!
7. Because He is our God! and we His pasture-people are!
and of His hands the sheep! Today, if ye His voice will hear -
 8. as in the provocation, oh! harden not your heart -
as in day of temptation within the vast desert -
 9. when, Me, your fathers tried and proved, and my works looked upon!
 10. Forty years long, I grieved was with this generation!
and said, This people err in heart; My ways they do not know.
 11. To whom I swear in wrath, if they into my rest should go!"

PSALM 96 October 4, 2016

Praising God for His greatness and goodness

1. Sing to the Lord a new song! Sing all th'earth the Lord unto!
 2. Sing to Jehovah! Bless His name! Still His salvation show!
 3. To'th heathen, His glory; to all people, His wonders spread!
 4. For great's the Lord! Much to be praised above all gods in dread!
 5. Because vain idols are they all which heathens gods do name:
but yet, Jehovah, He it is that did the heavens frame!
 6. Honor and comely majesty abide before His face:
both fortitude and beauty are within His holy place.
 7. Ye kindreds of the people, all, unto the Lord afford
glory! and mightiness, also, give ye unto the Lord!
 8. The glory due unto His name, give ye the Lord unto!
Offer ye an oblation. Enter His courts also.
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9. In beauty of His holiness, do ye the Lord adore!
The universal earth, likewise, in fear stand Him before!
 10. 'Mong heathens say, "Jehovah reigns!" The world in stableness
shall be; unmov'd also. He shall judge folk in righteousness.
 11. Oh! let the heavens thereat be glad! and let the earth rejoice!
Oh! let the sea and its fullness with roaring make a noise!
 12. Oh! let the field be full of joy, and all things there about!
Then all the trees that be i'th wood, they joyfully shall shout
 13. before Jehovah. For He comes! He comes earth's judge to be!
The world with justice, and the folk judge with his truth shall He.

PSALM 97 October 6, 2016

[An unusual rhyming pattern. It must have been sung to a different tune than most of the previous psalms.]

A song of praise about the Lord's greatness and holiness. [Perhaps written in conjunction with a great thunderstorm.]

1. The Lord doth reign! The earth, oh, let hereat rejoice!
 The many isles - with mirth, let them lift up their voice!
2. About Him round, dark clouds there went.
 Right and judgement, His throne do found.

3. Before Him fire doth go, and burns His foes about.
4. The world was light also, by lightnings He sent out:
 the earth it saw, and it trembled.
5. The hills melted like wax away,

at presence of the Lord: at His presence, Who is
 of all the earth the Lord. 6. That righteousness of His
the heavens high, they do forth show:
 all folk also see His glory.

7. Who graven images do serve, on them remain
 let dreadful shameful, and who in idols vain
 themselves do boast. With worship, bow
 to Him, all you God's angels, host.
8. Zion heard and was glad; glad Judah's daughters were.
 This cause, oh Lord, they had: thy judgments did appear.
9. For, Lord, Thou high all earth set o're:
 all Gods before in dignity.
10. Ye that do love the Lord, the evil hate do ye:
 to His saints' souls, afford protection, doth He:
 He will for them freedom command
 out of the hand of wicked men.

11. For men that righteous are, surely there is sown light:

- and gladness for their share, that are in heart upright.
12. Joy in the Lord, ye just confess
His holiness, while ye record.

PSALM 98 October 8, 2016
A psalm.

In praise of Christ's future reign on the earth.

1. A new song sing unto the Lord, for wonders He hath done!
His right hand and His holy arm Him victory hath won!
2. Jehovah, His salvation, hath made for to be known!
His righteousness, i'th heathens' sight, He openly hath shown!
3. To Isr'el's house, of His mercy and truth hath mindful been!
The ends of all the earth, they have our God's salvation seen!
4. Unto Jehovah, all the earth, make ye a joyful noise!
Make ye, also, a cheerful sound! Sing praise! Likewise, rejoice!
5. With harp, sing to the Lord! With harp, also, with a psalm, voice!
6. With trumpets, cornets, sound! Before the Lord - the King - rejoice!
7. The sea, let with her fulness roar! The world, and there who dwell!
8. Oh! let the floods clap hands! Let hills rejoice together, well,
9. before the Lord! For He doth come to judge the earth rightly!
With justice shall He judge the world, and folk with equity!

PSALM 99 October 10, 2016

A call to holiness and reverence of almighty God.

1. Jehovah 'tis that reigns; let people be in dread!
'Midst cerubs He remains; th'earth let it be moved!
2. Jehovah is in Zion great!
in highness set, He is, likewise,
above all the people! 3. Let them confess Thy name,
so great and terrible: for holy is the same!
4. The King, His might, doth love justice:
Thou dost 'stablish things that be right.

Judgment Thou dost. Also, in Jacob, righteousness.

5. The Lord, our God, do you set up in His highness,
and worship ye His footstool at:
by reason that holy is He!
6. Moses, also Aaron, among His priests; likewise
Samuel; all those among that to His name send cries:
called, they have, the Lord upon,
and He, alone, them answer gave.
7. He unto them did speak i'th cloudy pillar: then
they kept His records, e'en His ordnance He gave them.
8. Lord, Thou Who art our God, didst hear
and didst answer to them impart.
Thou wast a God pard'ning them, although Thou vengeance
upon their works didst bring.
9. The Lord our God, advance
and bow ye down at's holy hill:
for our God's still the Holy One!