

Psalm 61

- 1 Hear my crying, O God, *
and listen to my prayer.
- 2 From the end of the earth I call to you with fainting heart; *
O set me on the rock that is higher than I.
- 3 For you are my refuge, *
a strong tower against the enemy.
- 4 Let me dwell in your tent for ever *
and take refuge under the cover of your wings.
- 5 For you, O God, will hear my vows; *
you will grant the request of those who fear your name.
- 6 You will add length of days to the life of the king, *
that his years may endure throughout all generations.
- 7 May he sit enthroned before God for ever; *
may steadfast love and truth watch over him.
- 8 So will I always sing praise to your name, *
and day by day fulfil my vows.

Psalm 62

- 1 On God alone my soul in stillness waits; *
from him comes my salvation.
- 2 He alone is my rock and my salvation, *
my stronghold, so that I shall never be shaken.
- 3 How long will all of you assail me to destroy me, *
as you would a tottering wall or a leaning fence?
- 4 They plot only to thrust me down from my place of honour;
lies are their chief delight; *
they bless with their mouth, but in their heart they curse.
- 5 Wait on God alone in stillness, O my soul; *
for in him is my hope.
- 6 He alone is my rock and my salvation, *
my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.
- 7 In God is my strength and my glory; *
God is my strong rock; in him is my refuge.
- 8 Put your trust in him always, my people; *
pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.
- 9 The peoples are but a breath, the whole human race a deceit; *
on the scales they are altogether lighter than air.
- 10 Put no trust in oppression; in robbery take no empty pride; *
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.
- 11 God spoke once, and twice have I heard the same, *
that power belongs to God.
- 12 Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord, *
for you repay everyone according to their deeds.

Psalm 63

- 1 O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; *
my soul is athirst for you.
- 2 My flesh also faints for you, *
as in a dry and thirsty land where there is no water.
- 3 So would I gaze upon you in your holy place, *
that I might behold your power and your glory.
- 4 Your loving-kindness is better than life itself *
and so my lips shall praise you.
- 5 I will bless you as long as I live *
and lift up my hands in your name.
- 6 My soul shall be satisfied, as with marrow and fatness, *
and my mouth shall praise you with joyful lips,
- 7 When I remember you upon my bed *
and meditate on you in the watches of the night.
- 8 For you have been my helper *
and under the shadow of your wings will I rejoice.
- 9 My soul clings to you; *
your right hand shall hold me fast.
- 10 But those who seek my soul to destroy it *
shall go down to the depths of the earth;
- 11 Let them fall by the edge of the sword *
and become a portion for jackals.
- 12 But the king shall rejoice in God; all those who swear by him shall be glad, *
for the mouth of those who speak lies shall be stopped.

Psalm 64

- 1 Hear my voice, O God, in my complaint; *
preserve my life from fear of the enemy.
- 2 Hide me from the conspiracy of the wicked, *
from the gathering of evildoers.
- 3 They sharpen their tongue like a sword *
and aim their bitter words like arrows,
- 4 That they may shoot at the blameless from hiding places; *
suddenly they shoot, and are not seen.
- 5 They hold fast to their evil course; *
they talk of laying snares, saying, 'Who will see us?'
- 6 They search out wickedness and lay a cunning trap, *
for deep are the inward thoughts of the heart.
- 7 But God will shoot at them with his swift arrow, *
and suddenly they shall be wounded.
- 8 Their own tongues shall make them fall, *
and all who see them shall wag their heads in scorn.
- 9 All peoples shall fear and tell what God has done, *
and they will ponder all his works.
- 10 The righteous shall rejoice in the Lord and put their trust in him, *
and all that are true of heart shall exult.

Psalm 65

- 1 Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; *
to you that answer prayer shall vows be paid.
- 2 To you shall all flesh come to confess their sins; *
when our misdeeds prevail against us, you will purge them away.
- 3 Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there. *
We shall be satisfied with the blessings of your house, even of your holy temple.
- 4 With wonders you will answer us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation, *
O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.
- 5 In your strength you set fast the mountains *
and are girded about with might.
- 6 You still the raging of the seas, *
the roaring of their waves and the clamour of the peoples.
- 7 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth tremble at your marvels; *
the gates of the morning and evening sing your praise.
- 8 You visit the earth and water it; *
you make it very plenteous.
- 9 The river of God is full of water; *
you prepare grain for your people, for so you provide for the earth.
- 10 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; *
you soften the ground with showers and bless its increase.
- 11 You crown the year with your goodness, *
and your paths overflow with plenty.
- 12 May the pastures of the wilderness flow with goodness *
and the hills be girded with joy.
- 13 May the meadows be clothed with flocks of sheep *
and the valleys stand so thick with corn that they shall laugh and sing.

Psalm 66

- 1 Be joyful in God, all the earth; *
sing the glory of his name; sing the glory of his praise.
- 2 Say to God, 'How awesome are your deeds! *
Because of your great strength your enemies shall bow before you.
- 3 'All the earth shall worship you, *
sing to you, sing praise to your name.'
- 4 Come now and behold the works of God, *
how wonderful he is in his dealings with humankind.
- 5 He turned the sea into dry land; the river they passed through on foot; *
there we rejoiced in him.
- 6 In his might he rules for ever; his eyes keep watch over the nations; *
let no rebel rise up against him.
- 7 Bless our God, O you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard,
- 8 Who holds our souls in life *
and suffers not our feet to slip.
- 9 For you, O God, have proved us; *
you have tried us as silver is tried.
- 10 You brought us into the snare; *
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; *
but you brought us out into a place of liberty.
- 12 I will come into your house with burnt offerings and will pay you my vows, *
which my lips uttered and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.
- 13 I will offer you fat burnt sacrifices with the smoke of rams; *
I will sacrifice oxen and goats.
- 14 Come and listen, all you who fear God, *
and I will tell you what he has done for my soul.
- 15 I called out to him with my mouth *
and his praise was on my tongue.
- 16 If I had nursed evil in my heart, *
the Lord would not have heard me,
- 17 But in truth God has heard me; *
he has heeded the voice of my prayer.

[Psalm 66]

18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, *
nor withheld his loving mercy from me.

Psalm 67

- 1 God be gracious to us and bless us *
and make his face to shine upon us,
- 2 That your way may be known upon earth, *
your saving power among all nations.
- 3 *Let the peoples praise you, O God; **
let all the peoples praise you.
- 4 O let the nations rejoice and be glad, *
for you will judge the peoples righteously and govern the nations upon earth.
- 5 *Let the peoples praise you, O God; **
let all the peoples praise you.
- 6 Then shall the earth bring forth her increase, *
and God, our own God, will bless us.
- 7 --- God will bless us, *
and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

Psalm 68

- 1 Let God arise and let his enemies be scattered; *
let those that hate him flee before him.
- 2 As the smoke vanishes, so may they vanish away; *
as wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.
- 3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; *
let them make merry with gladness.
- 4 Sing to God, sing praises to his name; exalt him who rides on the clouds. *
The Lord is his name; rejoice before him.
- 5 Father of the fatherless, defender of widows, *
God in his holy habitation!
- 6 God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners to songs of welcome, *
but the rebellious inhabit a burning desert.
- 7 O God, when you went forth before your people, *
when you marched through the wilderness,
- 8 The earth shook and the heavens dropped down rain,
at the presence of God, the Lord of Sinai, *
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.
- 9 You sent down a gracious rain, O God; *
you refreshed your inheritance when it was weary.
- 10 Your people came to dwell there; *
in your goodness, O God, you provide for the poor.
- 11 The Lord gave the word; great was the company of women who bore the tidings: *
'Kings and their armies they flee, they flee!'
and women at home are dividing the spoil.
- 12 Though you stayed among the sheepfolds, *
see now a dove's wings covered with silver and its feathers with green gold.
- 13 When the Almighty scattered the kings, *
it was like snow flakes falling on Zalmon.
- 14 You mighty mountain, great mountain of Bashan! *
You towering mountain, great mountain of Bashan!
- 15 Why look with envy, you towering mountains,
at the mount which God has desired for his dwelling, *
the place where the Lord will dwell for ever?
- 16 The chariots of God are twice ten thousand, even thousands upon thousands; *
the Lord is among them, the Lord of Sinai in holy power.

[Psalm 68]

- 17 You have gone up on high and led captivity captive; *
you have received tribute, even from those who rebelled,
that you may reign as Lord and God.
- 18 Blessed be the Lord who bears our burdens day by day, *
for God is our salvation.
- 19 God is for us the God of our salvation; *
God is the Lord who can deliver from death.
- [20 God will smite the head of his enemies, *
the hairy scalp of those who walk in wickedness.
- 21 The Lord has said, 'From the heights of Bashan, *
from the depths of the sea will I bring them back,
- 22 'Till you dip your foot in blood *
and the tongue of your dogs has a taste of your enemies.'
- 23 We see your solemn processions, O God, *
your processions into the sanctuary, my God and my King.]
- 24 The singers go before, the musicians follow after, *
in the midst of maidens playing on timbrels.
- 25 In your companies, bless your God; *
bless the Lord, you that are of the fount of Israel.
- 26 At the head there is Benjamin, least of the tribes,
the princes of Judah in joyful company, *
the princes of Zebulun and Naphtali.
- 27 Send forth your strength, O God; *
establish, O God, what you have wrought in us.
- 28 For your temple's sake in Jerusalem *
kings shall bring their gifts to you.
- 29 Drive back with your word the wild beast of the reeds, *
the herd of the bull-like, the brutish hordes.
- 30 Trample down those who lust after silver; *
scatter the peoples that delight in war.
- 31 Vessels of bronze shall be brought from Egypt; *
Ethiopia will stretch out her hands to God.
- 32 Sing to God, you kingdoms of the earth; *
make music in praise of the Lord;

[Psalm 68]

- 33 He rides on the ancient heav'n of heav'ns *
and sends forth his voice, a mighty voice.
- 34 Ascribe power to God, whose splendour is over Israel, *
whose power is above the clouds.
- 35 How terrible is God in his holy sanctuary, *
the God of Israel, who gives power and strength to his people! Blessed be God.

Psalm 69

- 1 Save me, O God, *
for the waters have come up, even to my neck.
- 2 I sink in deep mire where there is no foothold; *
I have come into deep waters and the flood sweeps over me.
- 3 I have grown weary with crying; my throat is raw; *
my eyes have failed from looking so long for my God.
- 4 Those who hate me without any cause *
are more than the hairs of my head;
- 5 Those who would destroy me are mighty; *
my enemies accuse me falsely: must I now give back what I never stole?
- 6 O God, you know my foolishness, *
and my faults are not hidden from you.
- 7 Let not those who hope in you be put to shame through me, Lord God of hosts; *
let not those who seek you be disgraced because of me, O God of Israel.
- 8 For your sake have I suffered reproach; *
shame has covered my face.
- 9 I have become a stranger to my kindred, *
an alien to my mother's children.
- 10 Zeal for your house has eaten me up; *
the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.
- 11 I humbled myself with fasting, *
but that was turned to my reproach.
- 12 I put on sackcloth also *
and became a byword among them.
- 13 Those who sit at the gate murmur against me, *
and the drunkards make songs about me.

[Psalm 69]

- 14 But as for me, I make my prayer to you, O Lord; *
at an acceptable time, O God.
- 15 Answer me, O God, in the abundance of your mercy *
and with your sure salvation.
- 16 Draw me out of the mire, that I sink not; *
let me be rescued from those who hate me and out of the deep waters.
- 17 Let not the water flood drown me, neither the deep swallow me up; *
let not the Pit shut its mouth upon me.
- 18 Answer me, Lord, for your loving-kindness is good; *
turn to me in the multitude of your mercies.
- 19 Hide not your face from your servant; *
be swift to answer me, for I am in trouble.
- 20 Draw near to my soul and redeem me; *
deliver me because of my enemies.
- 21 You know my reproach, my shame and my dishonour; *
my adversaries are all in your sight.
- 22 Reproach has broken my heart; I am full of heaviness *.
I looked for some to have pity, but there was no one,
neither found I any to comfort me.
- 23 They gave me gall to eat, *
and when I was thirsty, they gave me vinegar to drink.
- [24 Let the table before them be a trap *
and their sacred feasts a snare.
- 25 Let their eyes be darkened, that they cannot see, *
and give them continual trembling in their loins.
- 26 Pour out your indignation upon them, *
and let the heat of your anger overtake them.
- 27 Let their camp be desolate, *
and let there be no one to dwell in their tents.
- 28 For they persecute the one whom you have stricken, *
and increase the sorrows of him whom you have pierced.
- 29 Lay to their charge guilt upon guilt, *
and let them not receive your vindication.
- 30 Let them be wiped out of the book of the living *
and not be written among the righteous.]

[Psalm 69]

- 31 As for me, I am poor and in misery; *
your saving help, O God, will lift me up.
- 32 I will praise the name of God with a song; *
I will proclaim his greatness with thanksgiving.
- 33 This will please the Lord more than an offering of oxen, *
more than bulls with horns and hooves.
- 34 The humble shall see and be glad; *
you who seek God, your heart shall live.
- 35 For the Lord listens to the needy, *
and his own who are imprisoned he does not despise.
- 36 Let the heavens and the earth praise him, *
the seas and all that moves in them;
- 37 For God will save Zion and rebuild the cities of Judah; *
they shall live there and have it in possession.
- 38 The children of his servants shall inherit it, *
and they that love his name shall dwell therein.

Psalm 70

- 1 O God, make speed to save me; *
O Lord, make haste to help me.
- 2 Let those who seek my life be put to shame and confusion; *
let them be turned back and disgraced who wish me evil.
- 3 Let those who mock and deride me *
turn back because of their shame.
- 4 But let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; *
let those who love your salvation say always, 'Great is the Lord!'
- 5 As for me, I am poor and needy; *
come to me quickly, O God.
- 6 You are my help and my deliverer; *
O Lord, do not delay.

Psalm 71

- 1 In you, O Lord, do I seek refuge; *
let me never be put to shame.
- 2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; *
incline your ear to me and save me.
- 3 Be for me a stronghold to which I may ever resort; *
send out to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.
- 4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, *
from the grasp of the evildoer and the oppressor.
- 5 For you are my hope, O Lord God, *
my confidence, even from my youth.
- 6 Upon you have I leaned from my birth,
when you drew me from my mother's womb; *
my praise shall be always of you.
- 7 I have become a portent to many, *
but you are my refuge and my strength.
- 8 Let my mouth be full of your praise *
and your glory all the day long.
- 9 Do not cast me away in the time of old age; *
forsake me not when my strength fails.
- 10 For my enemies are talking against me, *
and those who lie in wait for my life take counsel together.
- 11 They say, 'God has forsaken him; pursue him and take him, *
because there is none to deliver him.'
- 12 O God, be not far from me; *
come quickly to help me, O my God.
- 13 Let those who are against me be put to shame and disgrace; *
let those who seek to do me evil be covered with scorn and reproach.
- 14 But as for me I will hope continually *
and will praise you more and more.
- 15 My mouth shall tell of your righteousness and salvation all the day long, *
for I know no end of the telling.
- 16 I will begin with the mighty works of the Lord God; *
I will recall your righteousness, yours alone.
- 17 O God, you have taught me since I was young, *
and to this day I tell of your wonderful works.

[Psalm 71]

- 18 Forsake me not, O God, when I am old and grëy-héaded, *
till I make known your deeds to the next generation
and your power to all that are to cóme.
- 19 Your righteousness, O God, reaches to the héav'ns; *
in the great things you have done, who is like you, Ó Gód?
- 20 What troubles and adversities you háve shówn me, *
and yet you will turn and refresh me and bring me from the deep of the éarth ágain.
- 21 Incréase my hónour; *
turn ágain and cómfort me.
- 22 Therefore will I praise you upon the harp for your faithfulness, Ó my Gód; *
I will sing to you with the lyre, O Holy Óne of Ísrael.
- 23 My lips will sing out ás I pláy to you, *
and so will my soul, which you háve redéemed.
- 24 My tongue also will tell of your righteousness all the dáy lóng, *
for they shall be shamed and disgraced who sought to do me évil.

Psalm 72

- 1 Give the king your judgements, Ó Gód, *
and your righteousness to the son of a king.
- 2 Then shall he judge your people righteously *
and your poor with justice.
- 3 May the mountains bring forth peace, *
and the little hills righteousness for the people.
- 4 May he defend the poor among the people, *
deliver the children of the needy and crush the oppressor.
- 5 May he live as long as the sun and moon endure
from one generation to another.
- 6 May he come down like rain upon the mown grass, *
like the showers that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall righteousness flourish, *
and abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
- 8 May his dominion extend from sea to sea *
and from the River to the ends of the earth.
- 9 May his foes kneel before him *
and his enemies lick the dust.
- 10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute; *
the kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring gifts.
- 11 All kings shall fall down before him; *
all nations shall do him service.
- 12 For he shall deliver the poor that cry out, *
the needy and those who have no helper.
- 13 He shall have pity on the weak and poor; *
he shall preserve the lives of the needy.
- 14 He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, *
and dear shall their blood be in his sight.
- 15 Long may he live; unto him may be given gold from Sheba; *
may prayer be made for him continually and may they bless him all the day long.
- 16 May there be abundance of grain on the earth, standing thick upon the hilltops; *
may its fruit flourish like Lebanon and its grain grow like the grass of the field.
- 17 May his name remain for ever and be established as long as the sun endures; *
may all nations be blest in him and call him blessed.

[Psalm 72]

- 18 Blessed be the Lord, the G^od o^f Ísrael, *
who alone does wonder^ful thⁱngs.
- 19 And blessed be his glorious n^ame f^or é^ver. *
May all the earth be filled with his glory. Amén. Amén.

Psalm 73

- 1 Truly, God is lovⁱng t^o Ísrael, *
to those who are p^ure in h^eart.
- 2 Nevertheless, my feet were alm^ost g^one; *
my steps had well-nigh slⁱpped.
- 3 For I was envious o^f the pr^oud; *
I saw the wicked in such prosp^eri^ty;
- 4 For they suffer n^o p^ains *
and their bodies are sl^eek and s^ound;
- 5 They come to no misfort^une like ó^ther folk; *
nor are they pl^agued as ó^thers are;
- 6 Therefore pride is their nécklace *
and violence wraps them like a cl^oak.
- 7 Their iniquity comes fr^om withⁱn; *
the conceits of their hearts o^verfl^ow.
- 8 They scoff, and speak onl^y o^f é^vil; *
they talk of oppression fr^om on hⁱgh.
- 9 They set their mouth ag^ainst the h^eav'ns, *
and their tongue ranges r^ound the é^arth;
- 10 And so the pe^opl^e túrn to them *
and find in them n^o fáult.
- 11 They say, 'How should G^od kn^ow? *
Is there knowledge in the M^ost Hⁱgh?'
- 12 Behold, these áre the wⁱcked; *
ever at ease, they increáse their w^ealth.
- 13 Is it in vain that I cl^eansed m^y h^eart *
and washed my h^ands in ínnocence?
- 14 All day long have I b^een strⁱcken *
and chastened é^very m^orning.

[Psalm 73]

- 15 If I had said, 'I will speak as they do,' *
I should have betrayed the generation of your children.
- 16 Then thought I to understand this, *
but it was too hard for me,
- 17 Until I entered the sanctuary of God *
and understood the end of the wicked:
- 18 How you set them in slippery places; *
you cast them down to destruction.
- 19 How suddenly do they come to destruction, *
perish and come to a fearful end!
- 20 As with a dream when one awakes, *
so, Lord, when you arise you will despise their image.
- 21 When my heart became embittered *
and I was pierced to the quick,
- 22 I was but foolish and ignorant; *
I was like a brute beast in your presence.
- 23 Yet I am always with you; *
you hold me by my right hand.
- 24 You will guide me with your counsel *
and afterwards receive me with glory.
- 25 Whom have I in heav'n but you? *
And there is nothing upon earth that I desire in comparison with you.
- 26 Though my flesh and my heart fail me, *
God is the strength of my heart and my portion for ever.
- 27 Truly, those who forsake you will perish; *
you will put to silence the faithless who betray you.
- 28 But it is good for me to draw near to God; *
in the Lord God have I made my refuge, that I may tell of all your works.

Psalm 74

- 1 O God, why have you utterly disowned us? *
Why does your anger burn against the sheep of your pasture?
- 2 Remember your congregation that you purchased of old, *
the tribe you redeemed for your own possession, and Mount Zion where you dwelt.
- 3 Hasten your steps towards the endless ruins, *
where the enemy has laid waste all your sanctuary.
- 4 Your adversaries roared in the place of your worship; *
they set up their banners as tokens of victory.
- 5 Like men brandishing axes on high in a thickêt of trées, *
all her carved work they smashed down with hatchêt and hámmer.
- 6 They set fire to your hólý pláçe; *
they defiled the dwelling place of your name and razed it to the gróund.
- 7 They said in their heart, 'Let us make havoc of them altógéther,' *
and they burned down all the sanctuaries of God in the lánd.
- 8 There are no signs to see, not one próphêt léft, *
not one among us who knòws hów lóng.
- 9 How long, O God, will the adversàry scóff? *
Shall the enemy blaspheme your náme fòr éver?
- 10 Why have you withhèld yòur hánd *
and hidden your right hand in yòur bósom?
- 11 Yet God is my king fròm òf óld, *
who did deeds of salvation in the midst òf the éàrth.
- 12 It was you that divided the sea by yòur míght *
and shattered the heads of the dragons òn the wátters;
- 13 You alone crushed the heads òf Lévíathan *
and gave him to the beasts of the desèrt fòr fòod.
- 14 You cleft the rock for fountáin and flóod; *
you dried up ever-flówing rívers.
- 15 Yours is the day, yours alsò the níght; *
you established the moon and the sún.
- 16 You set all the bounds òf the éàrth; *
you fashioned both summer and wínter.
- 17 Remember now, Lord, how the enèmy scóffed, *
how a foolish people despised yòur náme.

[Psalm 74]

- 18 Do not give to wild beasts the soul of your turtle dove; *
forget not the lives of your poor for ever.
- 19 Look upon your creation, for the earth is full of darkness, *
full of the haunts of violence.
- 20 Let not the oppressed turn away ashamed, *
but let the poor and needy praise your name.
- 21 Arise, O God, maintain your own cause; *
remember how fools revile you all the day long.
- 22 Forget not the clamour of your adversaries, *
the tumult of your enemies that ascends continually.

Psalm 75

- 1 We give you thanks, O God, we give you thanks, *
for your name is near, as your wonderful deeds declare.
- 2 'I will seize the appointed time; *
I, the Lord, will judge with equity.
- 3 'Though the earth reels and all that dwell in her, *
it is I that hold her pillars steady.
- 4 'To the boasters I say, "Boast no longer," *
and to the wicked, "Do not lift up your horn.
- 5 ' "Do not lift up your horn on high; *
do not speak with a stiff neck." '
- 6 For neither from the east nor from the west, *
nor yet from the wilderness comes exaltation.
- 7 But God alone is judge; *
he puts down one and raises up another.
- 8 For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup, *
well mixed and full of foaming wine.
- 9 He pours it out for all the wicked of the earth; *
they shall drink it, and drain the dregs.
- 10 But I will rejoice for ever *
and make music to the God of Jacob.
- 11 All the horns of the wicked will I break, *
but the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.

Psalm 76

- 1 In Judah God is known; *
his name is great in Israel.
- 2 At Salem is his tabernacle, *
and his dwelling place in Zion
- 3 There broke he the flashing arrows of the bow, *
the shield, the sword and the weapons of war.
- 4 In the light of splendour you appeared, *
glorious from the eternal mountains.
- 5 The boastful were plundered; they have slept their sleep; *
none of the warriors can lift their hand.
- 6 At your rebuke, O God of Jacob, *
both horse and chariot fell stunned.
- 7 Terrible are you in majesty: *
who can stand before your face when you are angry?
- 8 You caused your judgement to be heard from heav'n; *
the earth trembled and was still,
- 9 When God arose to judgement, *
to save all the meek upon earth.
- 10 You crushed the wrath of the peoples *
and bridled the wrathful remnant.
- 11 Make a vow to the Lord your God and keep it; *
let all who are round about him bring gifts to him that is worthy to be feared.
- 12 He breaks down the spirit of princes *
and strikes terror in the kings of the earth.

Psalm 77

- 1 I cry aloud to God; *
I cry aloud to God and he will hear me.
- 2 In the day of my trouble I have sought the Lord; *
by night my hand is stretched out and does not tire; my soul refuses comfort.
- 3 I think upon God and I groan; *
I ponder, and my spirit faints.
- 4 You will not let my eyelids close; *
I am so troubled that I cannot speak.

[Psalm 77]

- 5 I consider the days of old; *
I remember the years long past;
- 6 I commune with my heart in the night; *
my spirit searches for understanding.
- 7 Will the Lord cast us off for ever? *
Will he no more show us his favour?
- 8 Has his loving mercy clean gone for ever? *
Has his promise come to an end for evermore?
- 9 Has God forgotten to be gracious? *
Has he shut up his compassion in displeasure?
- 10 And I said, 'My grief is this: *
that the right hand of the Most High has lost its strength.'
- 11 I will remember the works of the Lord *
and call to mind your wonders of old time.
- 12 I will meditate on all your works *
and ponder your mighty deeds.
- 13 Your way, O God, is holy; *
who is so great a god as our God?
- 14 You are the God who worked wonders *
and declared your power among the peoples.
- 15 With a mighty arm you redeemed your people, *
the children of Jacob and Joseph.
- 16 The waters saw you, O God; the waters saw you and were afraid; *
the depths also were troubled.
- 17 The clouds poured out water; the skies thundered; *
your arrows flashed on every side;
- 18 The voice of your thunder was in the whirlwind; your lightnings lit up the ground; *
the earth trembled and shook.
- 19 Your way was in the sea, and your paths in the great waters, *
but your footsteps were not known.
- 20 You led your people like sheep *
by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

Psalm 78

Part 1

- 1 Hear my teaching, Ó my péople; *
incline your ears to the words of my móuth.
- 2 I will open my mouth in a párale; *
I will pour forth mysteries fróm of óld,
- 3 Such as we have heard and knówn, *
which our forebears have tóld us.
- 4 We will not hide from their children, but will recount to generations to cóme, *
the praises of the Lord and his power and the wonderful works he has dóne.
- 5 He laid a solemn charge on Jacob and made it a lów in Ísrael, *
which he commanded them to teach their chýldren,
- 6 That the generations to come might know, and the children yet unbórn, *
that they in turn might tell it to their chýldren;
- 7 So that they might put their trust in Gód *
and not forget the deeds of God, but keep his còmmándments,
- 8 And not be like their forebears, a stubborn and rebellious gènerátion, *
a generation whose heart was not steadfast, and whose spirit was not faithful to Gód.
- 9 The people of Ephraim, armed with the bów, *
turned back in the day of báttle;
- 10 They did not keep the covenánt of Gód *
and refused to walk in his lów;
- 11 They forgot what he had dóne *
and the wonders he had shówn them.
- 12 For he did marvellous things in the sight of their fórebears, *
in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zó-an.
- 13 He divided the sea and let them pass thróugh; *
he made the waters stand still in a héap.
- 14 He led them with a clóud by dáy *
and all the night through with a bláze of fire.
- 15 He split the hard rocks in the wílderness *
and gave them drink as from the great déep.
- 16 He brought streams out of the rók *
and made water gush out like rívers.

[Psalm 78]

- 17 Yet for all this they sinned more against him *
and defied the Most High in the wilderness.
- 18 They tested God in their hearts *
and demanded food for their craving.
- 19 They spoke against God and said, *
'Can God prepare a table in the wilderness?
- 20 He struck the rock indeed, so that the waters gushed out
and the streams overflowed, *
but can he give bread or provide meat for his people?'
- 21 When the Lord heard this, he was full of wrath; *
a fire was kindled against Jacob and his anger went out against Israel,
- 22 For they had no faith in God *
and put no trust in his saving help.
- 23 So he commanded the clouds above *
and opened the doors of heav'n.
- 24 He rained down upon them manna to eat *
and gave them the grain of heav'n.
- 25 So mortals ate the bread of angels; *
he sent them food in plenty.
- 26 He caused the east wind to blow in the heav'ns *
and led out the south wind by his might.
- 27 He rained flesh upon them as thick as dust *
and winged fowl like the sand of the sea.
- 28 He let it fall in the midst of their camp *
and round about their tents.
- 29 So they ate and were well filled, *
for he gave them what they desired.
- 30 But they did not stop their craving; *
their food was still in their mouths,
- 31 When the anger of God rose against them, *
and slew their strongest men and felled the flower of Israel.
- 32 But for all this, they sinned yet more *
and put no faith in his wonderful works.
- 33 So he brought their days to an end like a breath *
and their years in sudden terror.

[Psalm 78]

- 34 Whenever he slew them, they would seek him; *
they would repent and earnestly search for God.
- 35 They remembered that God was their rock *
and the Most High God their redeemer.
- 36 Yet they did but flatter him with their mouth *
and dissembled with their tongue.
- 37 Their heart was not steadfast towards him, *
neither were they faithful to his covenant.
- 38 But he was so merciful that he forgave their misdeeds and did not destroy them; *
many a time he turned back his wrath
and did not suffer his whole displeasure to be roused.
- 39 For he remembered that they were but flesh, *
a wind that passes by and does not return.

Part 2

- 40 How often they rebelled against him in the wilderness *
and grieved him in the desert!
- 41 Again and again they tempted God *
and provoked the Holy One of Israel.
- 42 They did not remember his power *
in the day when he redeemed them from the enemy;
- 43 How he had wrought his signs in Egypt *
and his wonders in the field of Zoan.
- 44 He turned their rivers into blood, *
so that they could not drink of their streams.
- 45 He sent swarms of flies among them, which devoured them, *
and frogs which brought them ruin.
- 46 He gave their produce to the caterpillar, *
the fruit of their toil to the locust.
- 47 He destroyed their vines with hailstones *
and their sycamore trees with the frost.
- 48 He delivered their cattle to hailstones *
and their flocks to thunderbolts.
- 49 He set loose on them his blazing anger: *
fury, displeasure and trouble, a troop of destroying angels.

[Psalm 78]

- 50 He made a way for his anger and spared not their souls from death, *
but gave their life over to the pestilence.
- 51 He smote the first born of Egypt, *
the first fruits of their strength in the tents of Ham.
- 52 But he led out his people like sheep *
and guided them in the wilderness like a flock.
- 53 He led them to safety and they were not afraid, *
but the sea overwhelmed their enemies.
- 54 He brought them to his holy place *
the mountain which his right hand took in possession.
- 55 He drove out the nations before them and shared out to them their inheritance; *
he settled the tribes of Israel in their tents.
- 56 Yet still they tested God Most High and rebelled against him, *
and would not keep his commandments.
- 57 They turned back and fell away like their forebears, *
starting aside like an unstrung bow.
- 58 They grieved him with their hill altars *
and provoked him to displeasure with their idols.
- 59 God heard and was greatly angered, *
and utterly rejected Israel.
- 60 He forsook the tabernacle at Shiloh, *
the tent of his presence on earth.
- 61 He gave the ark of his strength into captivity, *
his splendour into the adversary's hand.
- 62 He delivered his people to the sword *
and raged against his inheritance.
- 63 The fire consumed their young men; *
there was no one to lament their maidens.
- 64 Their priests fell by the sword, *
and their widows made no lamentation.
- 65 Then the Lord woke as out of sleep, *
like a warrior who had been overcome with wine.
- 66 He struck his enemies from behind *
and put them to perpetual shame.

[Psalm 78]

- 67 He rejected the tēnt of Jōseph *
and chose not the tribe of Éphraim,
- 68 But he chose the tribe of Júdah *
and the hill of Zion, which hē lóved.
- 69 And there he built his sanctuary like the hēights of héav'n, *
like the earth which he foundéd for éver.
- 70 He chose David also, his sérvant, *
and took him away from thē shéepfolds.
- 71 From following the ewes with their lámbs hē tóok him, *
that he might shepherd Jacob his people and Israel hīs inhéritance.
- 72 So he shepherded them with a devòted héart *
and with skilful hānds hē gúided them.

Psalm 79

- 1 O God, the heathen have come into your heritage; *
your holy temple have they defiled and made Jerusalem a heap of stones.
- 2 The dead bodies of your servants
they have given to be food for the birds of the air, *
and the flesh of your faithful to the beasts of the field.
- 3 Their blood have they shed like water on every side of Jerusalem, *
and there was no one to bury them.
- 4 We have become the taunt of our neighbours, *
the scorn and derision of those that are round about us.
- 5 Lord, how long will you be angry, for ever? *
How long will your jealous fury blaze like fire?
- 6 Pour out your wrath upon the nations that have not known you, *
and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon your name.
- 7 For they have devoured Jacob *
and laid waste his dwelling place.
- 8 Remember not against us our former sins; *
let your compassion make haste to meet us, for we are brought very low.
- 9 Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; *
deliver us, and wipe away our sins for your name's sake.
- [10 Why should the heathen say, *
'Where is now their God?'
- 11 Let vengeance for your servants' blood that is shed *
be known among the nations in our sight.]
- 12 Let the sorrowful sighing of the prisoners come before you, *
and by your mighty arm preserve those who are condemned to die.
- [13 May the taunts with which our neighbours taunted you, Lord, *
return sevenfold into their bosom.]
- 14 But we that are your people and the sheep of your pasture
will give you thanks for ever, *
and tell of your praise from generation to generation.

Psalm 80

- 1 Hear, O Shephèrd of Ísrael, *
you that led Joseph like a flóck;
- 2 Shine forth, you that are enthroned upòn the chérubim, *
before Ephraim, Benjamin and Manásseh.
- 3 Stir up your mighty strength *
and come to our salvátion.
- 4 *Turn us again, Ó Gód; **
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be sáved.
- 5 O Lord Gód of hósts, *
how long will you be angry at your peóple's práyer?
- 6 You feed them with the bread of téars; *
you give them abundance of téars to drínk.
- 7 You have made us the derision of our néighbours, *
and our enemies laugh us to scórn.
- 8 *Turn us again, O Gód of hósts; **
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be sáved.
- 9 You brought a vine out of Égypt; *
you drove out the nations and plánted it.
- 10 You made room áround it, *
and when it had taken root, it filled the lánd.
- 11 The hills were covered with its shádw *
and the cedars of God by its bóughs.
- 12 It stretched out its branches to the Séa *
and its tendrils to the Ríver.
- 13 Why then have you broken down its wáll, *
so that all who pass by pluck off its grápes?
- 14 The wild boar out of the wood téars it off, *
and all the insects of the field devóur it.
- 15 Turn again, O Gód of hósts, *
look down from heav'n and behóld;
- 16 Cherish this vine which your right hánd has plánted, *
and the branch that you made so strong for yóursélf.
- 17 Let those who burnt it with fire, who cut it down, *
perish at the rebuke of yóur cóuntenance.

[Psalm 80]

- 18 Let your hand be upon the man at your riġht hând, *
the son of man you made so strong fôr yòursélf.
- 19 And so will we not gö bäck from you; *
give us life, and we shall call upòn yòur náme.
- 20 *Turn us again, O Lord Gôd ôf hósts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall bë sáved.*