

SING PSALMS UNTO HIM

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A selection of biblical poetry taken from Psalms, that focus the worshipers thoughts on God in praise and adoration. The musical heritage of the Psalms is demonstrated by its title. It comes from a Greek word which means 'a song sung to the accompaniment of a musical instrument'.

SCRIPTURE

*“O, Give thanks to the Lord!
Call upon His name;
Make known His deeds among the peoples.
That others may join in,
give unto God the glory,
sing to Him,
sing psalms to Him;
Talk of all His wondrous works.
Remember the marvellous deeds that He has done,
His miracles and wonders.*

*Sing psalms to God’s honour;
Glory in His holy name.
Let the hearts of those rejoice,
who seek the grace of the Lord,
look to the Lord and His strength.*

*For you have chosen well.
Seek His presence, seek His face evermore,
He is the Lord our God.*

*You are the seed of Abraham, the children of Jacob,
His chosen and beloved, you are His called out ones.*

Praise Him! He is the Lord our God! Hallelujah!”

Taken from Psalm 105:1-7.

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PREFACE

I Will Sing To You O Lord God

O Lord God Most High, my heart is steadfast,
I will sing and give Thee praise with my voice,
even with my glory I will make the choice.

Awake! Awake my glory and in the Lord rejoice,
awake lute and awake harp of my praising heart.

It's time to make melodious music to God by my joyful singing,
I will awaken the dawns sunrise early, with exultant praises ringing.

I will praise You, O Lord God; I will bless You O Adonai,
among the gentile people I will give You loud adulation,
and I will sing joyfully to You among the many nations.

For Your grace and mercy is without condemnation,
and it reaches unto the heavens far away.

Lord God Your truth reaches unto the clouds upon high,
and Your great faithfulness reaches unto the sky.

Be exalted O God above the glorious heavens on high,
and Lord God Your radiant glory is above all the earth,
that Your beloved may be delivered from their dearth.

Save me with Your right hand and let me be of worth,
hear my cry now O Lord God and answer me nigh.

My Lord God has faithfully spoken to me in His holiness,
and I will rejoice and praise Him in the beauty of His loveliness.

I Will Sing Praise To You O Adonai.

Taken from Psalm 108.

1. Who is This King of Glory?

Lift up your heads, O you gates !
Open up O ancient gates, and let the King of glory in.

Who is this King of glory ?
The Lord is the great King, majestic on His throne,
glorious and triumphant warrior is He,
the Lord strong and mighty.

Be lifted up, you ancient doors !
Heavens entrance is opened up, by the King of glory.

Who is this King of glory you say ?
The Lord commander of all heavens armies,
the Lord victorious in battle,
He is the King of glory.

Lift up your heads, O you gates !
Throw the gates open wide, to the King of glory.
Who is this King of glory ?
He is the One whose righteousness heaven declares,
and all the people see His resplendent glory,
He is the Lord of Hosts.

And lift them up, you everlasting doors !
Let the great King of glory, enter your hearts open to Him.

Who is this King of glory you say ?
The Lord Jesus, the risen Christ and Saviour,
sing loud hosannas to His excellent name,
for He is the King of glory.

Selah.

Taken from Psalm 24:7-10 (16th March, 1997)

2. Ascribe Unto the Lord

Ascribe unto the Lord
O you mighty ones of the earth,
O you mighty princes
pay homage to the infinite Lord.

Give unto the Lord
you sons of the mighty who have power,
Place humbly at His feet
your crown, sceptre and sword.

Ascribe unto the Lord
give Him glory and strength,
Give unto the 'Ancient of Days'
recognition of His majestic glory.

Give unto the Lord
acknowledgment of His dominion over us,
Honour Him above all things
for over all things He has sovereignty.

Ascribe unto the Lord
give glory to the Almighty God,
Come before His throne
and delight in His loveliness.

Give unto the Lord
the glory due His splendid name,
Bow before the holy God
and worship Him in the beauty of holiness.

Attribute unto the Lord All Praise And Honour.

Taken from Psalms 29:1-2 (6th April, 1997)

3. The Voice of the Lord

The voice of the Lord is over the many great waters.

The God of glory thunders, out upon the vast sea,
the voice of the Lord is powerful and full of majesty.

The voice of the Lord breaks the stately cedars of Lebanon.

The God of glory thunders, the strongest splinter before Thee,
the voice of the Lord is powerful and full of majesty.

The voice of the Lord made Lebanon and Sirion to dance.

The God of glory thunders, they skip like a wild young donkey,
the voice of the Lord is powerful and full of majesty.

The voice of the Lord strikes with flashes of split lightning.

The God of glory thunders, it divides the flames, forked and fiery,
the voice of the Lord is powerful and full of majesty.

The voice of the Lord makes the wilderness tremble.

The God of glory thunders, Kadsesh is shaken violently,
the voice of the Lord is powerful and full of majesty.

The voice of the Lord, makes the hind bring forth her young.

The God of glory thunders, the deer give birth early,
the voice of the Lord is powerful and full of majesty.

The voice of the Lord twists the oaks and strips the forests bare.

The God of glory thunders, the beasts come out, open to discovery,
the voice of the Lord is powerful and full of majesty.

While in His temple, everyone is saying, glory Jehovah,
the Lord sat enthroned at the deluge of the flood,
and the Lord still sits, as King always, forever and ever.
He gives strength and fullness of might to His people,
the Lord blesses His anointed, with His peace forever.

Amen.

Taken from Psalm 29:3-11. (14th April, 1997)

4. I Cry Out Unto You

Hear my cry, O Lord God, and understand,
and attend unto my earnest prayer and petition.

For from the very far ends of the land,
I will call out unto You, O God, in humble supplication,
when my heart is in an overwhelmed condition.

Father God, lead me to the Rock, that is nigh,
for the Rock is much, much higher than I.

Amen.

O Lord God, You have been a safe refuge to me,
and You are a shield and a strong high tower.

From the forces of wickedness and evil of the enemy,
I will abide within the security and protection of Your bower,
and keep me forever more, O Lord, in Your glory and power.

Father God, I will trust You implicitly in all things,
and keep me safely in the shelter of Your wings.

For You, O God, have heard my vows of loyal affirmation,
the heritage of those given by You is mine, and Your name they will fear.

You will prolong the king's life for many a generation,
and he shall rule and abide before You forever for many a year,
prepare mercy and truth, O God, which may guard and keep him near.

I will sing praise and glory to Your name forever, O Lord,
that I may daily perform my vows and keep my word.

Father God, lead me to the Rock.

Taken from Psalms 61:1-4. (20th August, 1998)

5. The Great King

O clap your hands, all you many peoples
shout to God with the voice of triumph and mirth,
For the Lord 'Most High' is fearfully awesome
and He is the great King over all the earth.

The Gentiles will be subdued before us
and the nations will be led by the Shepherd above,
He will give us the land for our inheritance
for the excellence of Jacob, whom He does love.

Selah.

God has gone up to heaven with a loud shout
and with the sound of the trumpet He has ascended,
Sing praises to our God, come lets sing jubilant praises
sing praises to our King, sing praises transcended.

For the Lord God is King over the whole earth
so rejoice and sing praises to Him alone,
God reigns supreme over the many nations
and the Lord God sits on His holy throne.

The princes of the people gather together
and the people of the great God of Abraham,
The shields of the earth belong to God
and He is greatly exalted by redeemed man.

Amen.

Taken from Psalm 47:1-9. (21st January, 1998)

6. The Lord of Hosts

God is our refuge and present help
and He is mighty and abundantly available,
A well proven help in time of trouble
therefore we will fear not for He is able.

The 'Lord of Hosts' is with us.

Though the earth be changed and removed
or the mountains, in the midst of the sea be cast,
Though the waters roar and be troubled
or the mountains shake, at its swelling so vast.

The 'Lord of Hosts' is with us.

The rivers streams, make glad the city of God
a holy place, the temple of the 'Most High',
God is in her midst, she shall not be shaken
and He will help when the breaking of dawn is nigh.

The 'Lord of Hosts' is with us. Selah.

Come, behold the great works of the Lord our God
who has in the earth wrought many a wonder,
He makes the wars to cease to its very end
burns the chariots, and breaks the bow and spear asunder.

The 'Lord of Hosts' is with us.

Be still and recognise that He is God
for He will be exalted among the nations,
He will be glorified in all the earth
so give the God of Jacob your acclamations.

The 'Lord of Hosts' is surely with us.

Taken from Psalm 46:1-11. (16th February, 1998)

7. The Shepherd's Psalm

The Lord is my great Shepherd, I shall not want,
and I shall be supplied with whatever is needed.
He makes me to lie down in green meadow pastures,
and I have quiet state of mind and live contented.
He leads me by the still, peaceful waters of rest,
and I am well guided and by His Spirit I am directed.

He brings health and restoration to my soul,
and I have peace from turmoil and dwell as He intended.
He leads me in the paths of His righteousness,
and I walk His way and by His word I am instructed.
Father you help me in my walk daily for His names sake,
and I am forever grateful that you have my life well ordered.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of darkness,
I will fear no evil for You are with me constantly.
Your rod and Your staff they bring much comfort,
and I am led by You and disciplined ever so gently.
You prepare a table for me in the presence of my enemies,
and to You my Shepherd I owe my safety and security.

You anoint my head with oil and my cup runs over,
and I need not be anxious for You care for me diligently.
Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all of my days,
and all the days of my life You will provide abundantly.
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever,
and I can be secure in Your presence for all eternity.

The Lord God Is My Shepherd.

Taken from Psalm 23:1-6. (28th June, 1998)

8. Praises to Your Name

Give a joyful shout to the God all of creation,
sing out the honour of His name by declaration.
Make His praise glorious throughout the whole land,
for His mighty works are fearfully awesome and grand,
through the greatness of power by His mighty hand.

Praise To Your Name.

Your enemies shall submit themselves to You, O Jehovah,
and they shall sing out praises to Your name. Selah.
Come and see the works of God, how they praise Him,
and He is terrible and awesome in His doing of them,
and towards His children, who are the sons of men.

Praise To Your Name.

We will rejoice in Him by every possible human endeavour,
and He rules by His sovereign power forever and ever.
He keeps watch over us with vigilant observation,
O bless the Lord God, you many peoples of the nation,
and let your voice be heard in constant salutation.

Praise To Your Name.

Our soul among the living, He will keep and uphold,
and our feet will not be moved, we will remain bold.
For You, O God, have proved our hearts innermost intent,
we went through fire and water for purity and refinement,
and You brought us out, to abundant, rich fulfilment.

Praise His Holy Name.

Taken from Psalm 66:1-12. (26th March, 2000)

9. The Lord Reigns

The Lord God Almighty reigns, let all the earth be glad,
let the distant coast-lands and multitude of islands lift up their voice.

Thick darkness surrounds Him all about, like a bright dense cloud,
righteousness and justice are the foundation of His throne, therefore rejoice.

A flaming fire, like flashing lightning, blazes before Him,
and consumes His foes on every side round about, because of their choice.

The Lord God Almighty reigns, the earth sees and trembles,
His lightning illuminates the world, and the people stand in fear.

The mountains around melt like wax before the Lord,
when the presence of the Lord of all the earth is near.

All the peoples will see His transcendent glory, through the heavens,
when they announce and proclaim His righteousness with loud cheer.

The Lord God Almighty reigns, all you who are proud and boast,
of your handcrafted images which you worship, be put to shame.

On your knees and bow down all you gods and worship Him,
Zion hears and is glad and the daughters of Judah rejoice at His name.

Because of Your righteous judgements O Lord, You have done it all,
for You are far, far higher, above all the gods that earth's men do claim.

The Lord God Almighty reigns, He is exalted far above all gods,
and He preserves the souls of His saints who hate evil and keeps them.

He delivers them faithfully out of the hands of the wicked evil one,
light is sown for the righteous and gladness for the upright of heart among men.

So rejoice in the Lord Your God all you who are righteous before Him,
and give thanks all you people at the remembrance of His holy name. Amen!

The Lord Our God Does Surely Reign.

Taken from Psalm 97:1-9. (17th April, 2000)

10. Sing to the Lord

O come, let us sing songs to the Lord God,
and shout out loud to the Rock of our salvation.
Come before His presence with joyful thanksgiving,
and sing to Him with psalms of worship and adoration.
O come, let us praise Him for He is the great God,
and He is the great King above all gods in the nation.

In His hand are the deep, hidden places of the earth,
the heights of the hills are also in His mighty hand.
The sea is also His possession for He has made it,
and His hands have formed the dry ground wherein we stand.
O come, give Him your praises for He is the great God,
and He is the great King above all other gods in the land.

Give Him all glory, worship and bow down low before Him,
let us kneel humbly before the Lord God our maker
We are the numerous people of His lush green pasture
and the sheep led of His hand, the Lord our creator.
O come, sing to the Lord for He is the great God,
and He is the great King above all gods of nature.

O come, hear His voice today and grieve Him not,
do not harden your hearts, through rebellion and disagreement.
Don't be like your fathers as in the day of trial in the wilderness,
they tested Him forty years, though they saw His work accomplishment.
O come, know His ways and enter His rest, for He is the great God,
and He is the great King above all gods of the whole firmament.

He Is The Great King Above All Gods.

Taken from Psalm 95:1-11. (28th July, 2000)

11. Whom Shall I Fear?

The Lord is my everlasting light and my eternal salvation,
in whom I am secure and safe, who then shall I fear.

When the wicked adversary comes to devour my flesh,
the Lord is the strength of my life, and I know He is near.

My enemies and foes though they be numerous around me,
are confounded and weakened, they then stumble and fall.
Even though an army host should encamp against me for war,
in this I will be confident, my heart shall not fear at all.

One thing I have desired of the Lord, that will I seek after,
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my duration.

To behold the delightfulness of the Lord, to inquire in His temple,
to contemplate His beauty and sit at His feet, in worship and adoration.

For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in the security of His pavilion.
in the courts of God's house, in the secret place of His tabernacle tent,
He shall set me high upon a rock, and now my head shall be lifted up,
above all enemies and I shall be exalted to bear rule by His assignment.

The Lord is the refuge and stronghold in my life, what more do I need,
I will continually seek His presence, I will continually seek His face.
Therefore I will offer sacrifices of joyous shouts in His holy tabernacle,
I will sing, yes I will sing anthems of praise to the God of favour and grace.

Father God, Let Me Dwell In Your Presence Forever.

Taken from Psalm 27:1-7. (15th September, 2000)

A FURTHER NOTE

“Sing praises to His name for it is pleasant”

“O come, let us sing to the Lord!”

Let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation,
let us come before His presence with thanksgiving,
let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms of adulation.

For the Lord is the great God, and the great King above all gods,

O come, let us worship and bow down in quiet anticipation.

We are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

let us kneel before the Lord our maker, for He is the God of creation.

Scripture taken from Psalm 95:1-3.

“O Sing to the Lord a new song.”

Sing to the Lord all the earth, O Sing to the Lord, bless His holy name,
proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day.

Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples;

for the Lord God is great and greatly to be praised,

He is to be feared above all gods of the peoples.

The Lord made the heavens and honour and majesty are before Him;

strength and beauty are in His heavenly sanctuary,

O worship the Lord in beauty and holiness, tremble before Him.

Taken from Psalm 96:1-9.

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