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Psalm 101

(NASB)

1 I will sing of mercy and justice;

To You, Lord, I will sing praises.

2 I will carefully attend to the blameless way.

When will You come to me?

I will walk within my house in the integrity of my heart.

3 I will set no worthless thing before my eyes;

I hate the work of those who fall away;

It shall not cling to me.

4 A perverse heart shall leave me;

I will know no evil.

5 Whoever secretly slanders his neighbor, him I will destroy;

I will not endure one who has a haughty look and an arrogant heart.

6 My eyes shall be upon the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me;

One who walks in a blameless way is one who will serve me.

7 One who practices deceit shall not dwell within my house;

One who speaks lies shall not maintain his position before me.

8 Every morning I will destroy all the wicked of the land,

So as to eliminate from the city of the Lord all those who do injustice.

Reflection on Psalm 101

*I will sing of lovingkindness and justice,
To You, O Lord, I will sing praises. (Psalm 101:1, NASB)*

Father, as I grow to know You,
I can't express my gratitude for Your
unfailing love!
Though You are the source of all,
the All-in-all,
You are thoroughly selfless in the way You give
to all Your creatures,
and especially to Your children.
You give to them without reserve from
all You have and
all You are.
You forgive us who have wronged You so grievously
over and
over again.
You sacrifice for us
all that is dearest to You.
You are always
patient,
kind,
faithful, and
O so very good!

And Father, I bow and worship You wholeheartedly for Your
complete rightness in
all that You are and
all that You do.
You make holiness so beautiful!

O my Lord, I want to be like You!
I want
Your unfailing love and
Your complete rightness
to fill
all I am and
everything I say and do;
every attitude,
every motive,
every thought,

every desire,
every relationship.
May Your goodness and
 Your beautiful holiness
cleanse me from
 all selfishness,
 all pride, and
 all falseness.

Make me like You, Father,
 inside and
 out.
I love You, and
I long to be
 just
 like
 You!

Hymn recording: [Psalm 101](#)

Thank you, Dr. Richard Neiderhiser

Psalm 101

♩ = 92

C G⁷_{sus} C C E_A G⁷_B Cadd⁹ C D_F^m F F_G G⁷ C_{sus} C C_B

1. Un - fail - ing love flows full and fresh from You,
2. Ho - ly per - fec - tion, right - ness rich and true-
3. Christ is Your glo - ry, all that life can be.

A_m F_A C_G F F_A C_{sus} C D_m⁷ A_m_E F₆ A_m_{F#} G_{sus} G⁷_D G

Grace all - em - brac - ing guid - ing all You do.
O how they shine, so love - ly, Lord, in You!
Lord, may His love and right - ness glow in me,

F F_C G⁷ G⁹ C C_B A_m A_m⁷ F Em⁷ D_m⁷

Make me Your chan - nel; pour Your - self through
Cleanse all this false - ness, self - ish - ness and
Christ, on - ly Christ, in Christ, all I think and

G⁷_{sus} G⁷ F_A G⁷ C G⁷_D C_E F F_E D_m⁷ F_G C

me Till my life is all that love can be.
pride That Your Son be seen and glo - ri - fied.
do That my ev - 'ry breath may sing of You!

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Psalm 102

(NASB)

1 Hear my prayer, Lord!
And let my cry for help come to You.

2 Do not hide Your face from me on the day of my distress;
Incline Your ear to me;
On the day when I call answer me quickly.

3 For my days have ended in smoke,
And my bones have been scorched like a hearth.

4 My heart has been struck like grass and has withered,
Indeed, I forget to eat my bread.

5 Because of the cloudness of my groaning
My bones cling to my flesh.

6 I resemble a pelican of the wilderness;
I have become like an owl of the ruins.

7 I lie awake,
I have become like a solitary bird on a housetop.

8 My enemies have taunted me all day long;
Those who deride me have used my name as a curse.

9 For I have eaten ashes like bread,
And mixed my drink with weeping

10 Because of Your indignation and Your wrath;
For You have lifted me up and thrown me away.

11 My days are like a lengthened shadow,
And I wither away like grass.

12 But You, Lord, remain forever,
And Your name remains to all generations.

13 You will arise and have compassion on Zion;
For it is time to be gracious to her,
For the appointed time has come.

14 Surely Your servants take pleasure in her stones,
And feel pity for her dust.

15 So the nations will fear the name of the Lord,
And all the kings of the earth, Your glory.

16 For the Lord has built up Zion;
He has appeared in His glory.

17 He has turned His attention to the prayer of the destitute
And has not despised their prayer.

18 This will be written for the generation to come,

That a people yet to be created may praise the Lord:
19 For He looked down from His holy height;
From heaven the Lord looked upon the earth,
20 To hear the groaning of the prisoner,
To set free those who were doomed to death,
21 So that people may tell of the name of the Lord in Zion,
And His praise in Jerusalem,
22 When the peoples are gathered together,
And the kingdoms, to serve the Lord.

23 He has broken my strength in the way;
He has shortened my days.
24 I say, "My God, do not take me away in the middle of my days,
Your years are throughout all generations.
25 In time of old You founded the earth,
And the heavens are the work of Your hands.
26 Even they will perish, but You endure;
All of them will wear out like a garment;
Like clothing You will change them and they will pass away.
27 But You are the same,
And Your years will not come to an end.
28 The children of Your servants will continue,
And their descendants will be established before You."

Reflection on Psalm 102

Father, with every passing day
I feel my frailty more and more.
As I face my brevity,
I grasp the truth more clearly:
You are forever.
You are unchanging,
introducing Yourself anew to every generation,
untouched by time.

My own neediness is helping me to
know You,
trust You, and
find constant peace in You.
As I grasp my weakness,
I realize Your inherent strength.
You relate to us,
not from a higher place,
but from a higher being.

You created this universe for Your glory, and
someday, it will have served its purpose.
You will change it like a garment.
But we share Your very being.
We breath Your eternal breath.
You share Your permanence with us.
You are Everlasting Father, and
we are Your children.
You are our Source and
our Destination,
our entire reality.

Continue to teach me,
continue to hold me,
to draw me,
to recreate me,
O boundless, magnificent God!
I am truly, eternally Yours!

Hymn recording: [Psalm 102](#)

Psalm 102

TUNE: All the Way My Savior Leads Me (ALL THE WAY)

♩ = 66

G G $\frac{D^7_{sus}}{G}$ G G D $\frac{D}{C}$ $\frac{G}{B}$ $\frac{D}{A}$ G

1. Like a mist or fleet - ing shad - ow, All the years soon pass us by.
 2. You are bound - less and for - ev - er, Ut - ter joy un - touched by time,
 3. God the same each day, for - ev - er, All this world will pass a - way.

G $\frac{C}{G}$ G D7 Em $\frac{G}{D}$ D A $\frac{D}{A}$ A7 D

All our days are but a mo - ment, All of life is but a sigh.
 Rich - er, deep - er, full - er, high - er, Love un - fail - ing, life sub - lime,
 You will change it like a gar - ment, All its e - ons but a day.

$\frac{C}{D}$ D7 G $\frac{D^7_{sus}}{G}$ G $\frac{C}{G}$ G $\frac{G}{B}$ D G $\frac{C}{G}$ G D

All our fears and end - less fail - ures, All the toys we tried to own,
 Great Cre - a - tor, ho - ly Fa - ther Ev - er lis - t'ning when we call,
 But Your peo - ple share Your be - ing, Drink - ing life for - ev - er new,

G $\frac{D^7_{sus}}{G}$ G $\frac{D}{A}$ $\frac{G}{B}$ $\frac{Am}{C}$ C $\frac{G}{D}$ D G

All our tears and dis - ap - point - ments Lead our hearts to You a - lone.
 Sav - ior, Shep - herd, Source of be - ing, Breath of life, our All - in - all,
 For our breath, our joy, our pur - pose, Our re - al - i - ty is You!

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 MUSIC: Robert Lowry (1826-1899)

ALL THE WAY
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G $\frac{D^7_{sus}}{G}$ G D⁷ Em $\frac{Am}{C}$ C $\frac{G}{D}$ D⁷ G

All our tears and dis - ap - point - ments Lead our hearts to You a - lone.
 Sav - ior, Shep - herd, Source of be - ing, Breath of life, our All - in - all!
 For our breath, our joy, our pur - pose, Our re - al - i - ty is You!

Psalm 103

(NASB)

1 Bless the Lord, my soul,
And all that is within me, bless His holy name.

2 Bless the Lord, my soul,
And do not forget any of His benefits;

3 Who pardons all your guilt,
Who heals all your diseases;

4 Who redeems your life from the pit,
Who crowns you with favor and compassion;

5 Who satisfies your years with good things,
So that your youth is renewed like the eagle.

6 The Lord performs righteous deeds
And judgments for all who are oppressed.

7 He made known His ways to Moses,
His deeds to the sons of Israel.

8 The Lord is compassionate and gracious,
Slow to anger and abounding in mercy.

9 He will not always contend with us,
Nor will He keep His anger forever.

10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins,
Nor rewarded us according to our guilty deeds.

11 For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
So great is His mercy toward those who fear Him.

12 As far as the east is from the west,
So far has He removed our wrongdoings from us.

13 Just as a father has compassion on his children,
So the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him.

14 For He Himself knows our form;
He is mindful that we are nothing but dust.

15 As for man, his days are like grass;
Like a flower of the field, so he flourishes.

16 When the wind has passed over it, it is no more,
And its place no longer knows about it.

17 But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting for those who fear Him,
And His justice to the children's children,

18 To those who keep His covenant
And remember His precepts, so as to do them.

19 The Lord has established His throne in the heavens,

And His sovereignty rules over all.
20 Bless the Lord, you His angels,
Mighty in strength, who perform His word,
Obeying the voice of His word!
21 Bless the Lord, all you His angels,
You who serve Him, doing His will.
22 Bless the Lord, all you works of His,
In all places of His dominion;
Bless the Lord, my soul!

Reflection on Psalm 103

O my Father,
 my God,
Your love and
 Your goodness
resound through
 every time and
 every place.
Your kindness and
 patient compassion
fill all history.

Father, Your love resounds in me.
Your goodness has filled
 every time and
 every place in my life.
You forgive,
You heal,
You buy me back from my sinful choices.
You satisfy me completely
 with all that is best.
You renew me,
 body,
 mind, and
 spirit.

Your compassionate love is
 boundless,
 persistent,
 tough, and
 tender.
You kiss away all the guilt
 I so richly deserve.
You look at me,
 not as an angry judge, but
 as a proud father,
patient and
 forbearing,
with untiring mercy.

Your love will long outlast
 my few days on earth.

When this frail body returns to dust,
my life in You –
Your life in me –
will have only just begun.

Praise to You, O my God!
I bless You,
I thank You,
I love You,
my dear Father!

Hymn recording: [Psalm 103](#)

Psalm 103

with Exodus 33:18 – 34:8

♩ = 88

Unison

C C/B Am/B Am C/G F Dm7 Cadd9/E C/E F C/G

1. I love, I bless You, Fa - ther God, My breath, my
 2. With Mos - es, Lord, I thirst for You, To know You
 3. My Fa - ther God, I soon will come And leave this

G13 G13/A G/B C sus C sus/G C C/G C C C/B Am/B Am C/G F Dm7

joy, my song. I turn to You, my rest - ing
 more and more, To see in You the All - in -
 death be - hind To breathe a life and love in

Cadd9/E C/E F C/G G13 G13/A G/B C sus C sus/G C C/G G/B

place, The home where I be - long. Your
 all I fear and I a - dore. You
 You Pro - found and un - con - fined, A

Am Am/E F C/E Dm D sus/E F G sus G Am Em Em/G G9/F G7/F

bound - less, all - em - brac - ing love - Lord, what more
 love me with a Fa - ther's heart, A crea - ture
 joy these lips can - not ex - press, A heav - en

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C E FM7 G sus G^{sus} D G N.C. C C B Am B Am C G

could You do? Set free from all I've
 made from dust. You see my sin through
 un - ex - plored. I rise with all who

F Dm7 Cadd⁹ C E F C G13 G13 A G B C sus C sus G C

been and done, I long to live in You.
 pa - tient eyes And help me sim - ply trust.
 share Your life. I rise and bless you, Lord!

Psalm 104

(NASB)

1 Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord my God, You are very great;
You are clothed with splendor and majesty,
2 Covering Yourself with light as with a cloak,
Stretching out heaven like a tent curtain.
3 He lays the beams of His upper chambers in the waters;
He makes the clouds His chariot;
He walks on the wings of the wind;
4 He makes [e]the winds His messengers,
Flaming fire His ministers.

5 He established the earth upon its foundations,
So that it will not totter forever and ever.
6 You covered it with the deep sea as with a garment;
The waters were standing above the mountains.
7 They fled from Your rebuke,
At the sound of Your thunder they hurried away.
8 The mountains rose; the valleys sank down
To the place which You established for them.
9 You set a boundary so that they will not pass over,
So that they will not return to cover the earth.

10 He sends forth springs in the valleys;
They flow between the mountains;
11 They give drink to every animal of the field;
The wild donkeys quench their thirst.
12 The birds of the sky dwell beside them;
They lift up their voices from among the branches.
13 He waters the mountains from His upper chambers;
The earth is satisfied with the fruit of His works.

14 He causes the grass to grow for the cattle,
And vegetation for the labor of mankind,
So that they may produce food from the earth,
15 And wine, which makes a human heart cheerful,
So that he makes his face gleam with oil,
And food, which sustains a human heart.
16 The trees of the Lord drink their fill,
The cedars of Lebanon which He planted,
17 Where the birds build their nests,

And the stork, whose home is the juniper trees.

18 The high mountains are for the wild goats;

The cliffs are a refuge for the rock hyrax.

19 He made the moon for the seasons;

The sun knows the place of its setting.

20 You appoint darkness and it becomes night,

In which all the animals of the forest prowl about.

21 The young lions roar for their prey

And seek their food from God.

22 When the sun rises they withdraw,

And they lie down in their dens.

23 A person goes out to his work

And to his labor until evening.

24 Lord, how many are Your works!

In wisdom You have made them all;

The earth is full of Your possessions.

25 There is the sea, great and broad,

In which are swarms without number,

Animals both small and great.

26 The ships move along there,

And Leviathan, which You have formed to have fun in it.

27 They all wait for You

To give them their food in due season.

28 You give to them, they gather it up;

You open Your hand, they are satisfied with good.

29 You hide Your face, they are terrified;

You take away their breath, they perish

And return to their dust.

30 You send forth Your Spirit, they are created;

And You renew the face of the ground.

31 May the glory of the Lord endure forever;

May the Lord rejoice in His works;

32 He looks at the earth, and it trembles;

He touches the mountains, and they smoke.

33 I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.

34 May my praise be pleasing to Him;

As for me, I shall rejoice in the Lord.

35 May sinners be removed from the earth

And may the wicked be no more.
Bless the Lord, my soul.
Praise the Lord!

Know Your Creator

*The heavens declare the glory of God;
the skies proclaim the work of his hands. (Psalm 19:1, NIV)*

God is an all-powerful Spirit Being. He created us as physical beings. How could He reveal Himself to us in a way we could understand? How could He show Himself to each of us in a way that is unlimited by language and culture and that is undiminished by all the changes that swirl around us?

He reveals Himself by the physical world of which we are a part.

What may be known about God is plain...For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse. (Romans 1:19-20, NIV)

Any open-minded view of our physical world tells us about God. But we observe and experience His creation without knowing Him, even though He has made Himself plain. How does this happen?

We intentionally suppress the truth (Romans 1:18). We refuse to accept Him as Creator. We work to write Him out of our story. We insist on making this physical world our ultimate reality, though actually it is but a small part of a much greater reality. We crown ourselves as the gods of our own lives and destinies, even though our smallness and weakness are inescapably obvious.

Meanwhile, God's glorious revelations of Himself go on speaking to all who will hear.

*Day after day they pour forth speech;
night after night they display knowledge.
There is no speech or language
where their voice is not heard.
Their voice goes out into all the earth,
their words to the ends of the world.
(Psalm 19:2-4, NIV)*

Observe our world and experience it with an open mind. See and feel the order, the pleasure, the beauty, the mystery, the power, and the infinite wisdom that connect it all. All this is only the faintest whisper of the magnificent Being that He is (Job 26:14). He wants you to know Him, to trust Him more completely, and to experience life more fully in Him.

Hymn recording: [Psalm 104](#)

Psalm 104

TUNE: The God of Abraham Praise (LEONI)

♩ = 92

Em Em B/D# Em Am C B G/B Am C E/B Am D G B

1. The moun-tains stand in awe. The thun-der speaks Your name. Cre-
 2. The might-y rains pour down As bless-ings from a-bove. The
 3. Al-might-y, Sov-'reign Lord, I wait at Your com-mand. I

Em D G C/E G/B D7 Em C G/D D D7 G

a-tion waits to serve its God With wind and flame. The
 storms that seem to howl and rage Are storms of love. They
 live and move and breathe with-in Your might-y hand. With

G B7/D# Em G/B D B5/D# D#°7 Em C G Am6 B B/A

heav-ens know Your pow'r. None ques-tion what You do. The
 wa-ter all the earth. Your riv-ers full-er flow. They
 earth and sea and sky, With all Your love has made, With

Em/G B Em D G Am C E/B Am Am6 Em/B B B7 Em

o-ceans ri-ot un-re-strained But bow to You.
 bring the faith-ful care that all Your crea-tures know.
 ev-'ry thought and breath I rise To give You praise!

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LEONI
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Psalm 105

(NASB)

1 Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name;
Make His deeds known among the peoples.
2 Sing to Him, sing praises to Him;
Tell of all His wonders.
3 Boast in His holy name;
May the heart of those who seek the Lord be joyful.
4 Seek the Lord and His strength;
Seek His face continually.
5 Remember His wonders which He has done,
His marvels and the judgments spoken by His mouth,
6 You descendants of Abraham, His servant,
You sons of Jacob, His chosen ones!
7 He is the Lord our God;
His judgments are in all the earth.

8 He has remembered His covenant forever,
The word which He commanded to a thousand generations,
9 The covenant which He made with Abraham,
And His oath to Isaac.
10 Then He confirmed it to Jacob as a statute,
To Israel as an everlasting covenant,
11 Saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan
As the portion of your inheritance,"
12 When they were only a few people in number,
Very few, and strangers in it.
13 And they wandered from nation to nation,
From one kingdom to another people,
14 He allowed no one to oppress them,
And He rebuked kings for their sakes, saying,
15 "Do not touch My anointed ones,
And do not harm My prophets."

16 And He called for a famine upon the land;
He broke the whole staff of bread.
17 He sent a man before them,
Joseph, who was sold as a slave.
18 They forced his feet into shackles,
He was put in irons;
19 Until the time that his word came to pass,
The word of the Lord refined him.

20 The king sent and released him,
The ruler of peoples, and set him free.
21 He made him lord of his house,
And ruler over all his possessions,
22 To imprison his high officials at will,
That he might teach his elders wisdom.
23 Israel also came into Egypt;
So Jacob lived in the land of Ham.
24 And He made His people very fruitful,
And made them stronger than their enemies.

25 He turned their heart to hate His people,
To deal cunningly with His servants.
26 He sent His servant Moses,
And Aaron, whom He had chosen.
27 They performed His wondrous acts among them,
And miracles in the land of Ham.
28 He sent darkness and made it dark;
And they did not rebel against His words.
29 He turned their waters into blood,
And caused their fish to die.
30 Their land swarmed with frogs
Even in the chambers of their kings.
31 He spoke, and a swarm of flies
And gnats invaded all their territory.
32 He gave them hail for rain,
And flaming fire in their land.
33 He also struck their vines and their fig trees,
And smashed the trees of their territory.
34 He spoke, and locusts came,
And creeping locusts, beyond number,
35 And they ate all the vegetation in their land,
And ate the fruit of their ground.
36 He also fatally struck all the firstborn in their land,
The first fruits of all their vigor.

37 Then He brought the Israelites out with silver and gold,
And among His tribes there was not one who stumbled.
38 Egypt was glad when they departed,
For the dread of them had fallen upon the Egyptians.
39 He spread out a cloud as a covering,
And fire to illumine by night.
40 They asked, and He brought quail,

And satisfied them with the bread of heaven.

41 He opened the rock and water flowed out;
It ran in the dry places like a river.

42 For He remembered His holy word
With His servant Abraham;

43 And He led out His people with joy,
His chosen ones with a joyful shout.

44 He also gave them the lands of the nations,
So that they might take possession of the fruit of the peoples' labor,

45 And that they might keep His statutes
And comply with His laws;

Praise the Lord!

Reflection on Psalm 105

The history of God's people
chants and
sings and
shouts

the truth:

God is always faithful!
God is always working His beautiful will.
God is always God,
 in every circumstance,
 no matter how challenging,
 no matter what the obstacles.
And God is always leading His people to
 a beautiful destiny,
 a promised land beyond our imaginings.

God is God when,
 like Abraham,
we are small,
 aliens in a foreign land, and
 God's promises seem
 someday and far away.

God is God when,
 like Joseph,
life is unjust, and
 we are unfairly treated.

God is God when,
 like Israel in Egypt,
the problems seem overwhelming, and
 the obstacles insurmountable.

And God is God when
we are on a long journey through
 an endless desert, and
we have no other source,
 no other hope
but Him.

Hymn recording: [Psalm 105](#)

Psalm 105

♩ = 60

Unison $\frac{G}{A}$ D $\frac{D_{sus}}{E}$ D G

1. God is faith - ful. He will al - ways keep His
 2. When you suf - fer, Know that Fa - ther God is
 3. In our prob - lems, He is al - ways God Al -
 4. Through this des - ert, Know that God Him - self is

D $\frac{D_{sus}}{E}$ $\frac{D}{F\#}$ Bm B sus GM7 Em⁹ $\frac{D}{F\#}$ $\frac{Bm}{G\#}$

prom - ise. In the wait - ing, When you can - not see His
 work - ing. In the dark - ness, When you can - not feel Him
 might - y. At the Red Sea, See that He is God Al -
 with us. In each cri - sis, All we need is right here

A $\frac{A^7}{B}$ $\frac{A}{C\#}$ $\frac{E\#m}{A}$ D $\frac{D}{F\#}$ G $\frac{G}{B}$

prom - ise, Keep on trust - ing - He will not for - get His
 work - ing, Trust His good - ness. His un - fail - ing love is
 might - y! Just re - mem - ber: We are serv - ing God Al -
 with us. Liv - ing Wa - ter, Bread of Heav - en al - ways

D $\frac{E\#m^7}{C\#}$ Bm⁷ $\frac{Bm}{A}$ $\frac{Em^7}{G}$ Em⁷ $\frac{Em^7}{A}$ $\frac{G}{A}$ D $\frac{D}{A}$ D

prom - ise. Re - jice and praise Him! Our God is God!
 work - ing. His time is per - fect! Our God is God!
 might - y. Rise up and fol - low! Our God is God!
 with us. En - joy the jour - ney! Our God is God!

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POOR OLD LAZARUS 2
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Psalm 106

(NASB)

106 Praise the Lord!

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;
For His mercy is everlasting.

2 Who can speak of the mighty deeds of the Lord,
Or can proclaim all His praise?

3 How blessed are those who maintain justice,
Who practice righteousness at all times!

4 Remember me, Lord, in Your favor toward Your people.
Visit me with Your salvation,

5 So that I may see the prosperity of Your chosen ones,
That I may rejoice in the joy of Your nation,
That I may boast with Your inheritance.

6 We have sinned like our fathers,
We have gone astray, we have behaved wickedly.

7 Our fathers in Egypt did not understand Your wonders;
They did not remember Your abundant kindnesses,
But rebelled by the sea, at the Red Sea.

8 Nevertheless He saved them for the sake of His name,
So that He might make His power known.

9 So He rebuked the Red Sea and it dried up,
And He led them through the mighty waters, as through the wilderness.

10 So He saved them from the hand of one who hated them,
And redeemed them from the hand of the enemy.

11 The waters covered their adversaries;
Not one of them was left.

12 Then they believed His words;
They sang His praise.

13 They quickly forgot His works;
They did not wait for His plan,

14 But became lustfully greedy in the wilderness,
And put God to the test in the desert.

15 So He gave them their request,
But sent a wasting disease among them.

16 When they became envious of Moses in the camp,
And of Aaron, the holy one of the Lord,

17 The earth opened and swallowed up Dathan,

And engulfed the company of Abiram.
18 And a fire blazed up in their company;
The flame consumed the wicked.

19 They made a calf in Horeb,
And worshiped a cast metal image.
20 So they exchanged their glory
For the image of an ox that eats grass.
21 They forgot God their Savior,
Who had done great things in Egypt,
22 Wonders in the land of Ham,
And awesome things by the Red Sea.
23 Therefore He said that He would destroy them,
If Moses, His chosen one, had not stood in the gap before Him,
To turn away His wrath from destroying them.
24 Then they rejected the pleasant land;
They did not believe His word,
25 But grumbled in their tents;
They did not listen to the voice of the Lord.
26 Therefore He swore to them
That He would have them fall in the wilderness,
27 And that He would bring down their descendants among the nations,
And scatter them in the lands.

28 They also followed Baal-peor,
And ate sacrifices offered to the dead.
29 So they provoked Him to anger with their deeds,
And a plague broke out among them.
30 Then Phinehas stood up and intervened,
And so the plague was brought to a halt.
31 And it was credited to him as righteousness,
To all generations forever.

32 They also provoked Him to wrath at the waters of Meribah,
So that it went badly for Moses on their account.
33 Because they were rebellious against His Spirit,
He spoke rashly with his lips.

34 They did not destroy the peoples,
As the Lord had commanded them,
35 But they got involved with the nations
And learned their practices,
36 And served their idols,

Which became a snare to them.

37 They even sacrificed their sons and their daughters to the demons,

38 And shed innocent blood,

The blood of their sons and their daughters

Whom they sacrificed to the idols of Canaan;

And the land was defiled with the blood.

39 So they became unclean in their practices,

And were unfaithful in their deeds.

40 Therefore the anger of the Lord was kindled against His people,

And He loathed His inheritance.

41 So He handed them over to the nations,

And those who hated them ruled over them.

42 Their enemies also oppressed them,

And they were subdued under their power.

43 Many times He would rescue them;

They, however, were rebellious in their plan,

And they sank down into their guilt.

44 Nevertheless He looked at their distress

When He heard their cry;

45 And He remembered His covenant for their sake,

And relented according to the greatness of His mercy.

46 He also made them objects of compassion

In the presence of all their captors.

47 Save us, Lord our God,

And gather us from the nations,

To give thanks to Your holy name

And glory in Your praise.

48 Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,

From everlasting to everlasting.

And all the people shall say, "Amen."

Praise the Lord!

Reflection on Psalm 106

We don't just sin individually.
Since Adam and Eve,
 we have been sinning together,
 corporately,
 as groups.

We are social creatures and
we go astray together,
 as friends,
 as families,
 as nations,
 as a race –
and yes, as churches.

The cure for corporate sin is the same as
the cure for personal sin:
 open confession,
 repentance,
 turning away from our sin, and
 trusting anew in
God, who is eager to
 forgive us,
 restore us, and
 redirect us.

Throughout our sad history,
how much human suffering could have been avoided if
 cultural groups,
 nations, and
 churches
had repented
 openly,
 sincerely, and
 publicly,
asking God
 to help them turn from their misguided ways?

Is there any corporate repentance that WE should be doing
right now?

Hymn recording: [Psalm 106](#)

Psalm 106

♩ = 80

Unison

Dm Gm Dm A7 Dm Dm Bb BbM7 F/A

1. We have sinned, O ho - ly God! O what bit - ter
 2. Mired in stub - born un - be - lief, Quick to grum - ble,
 3. We have giv - en worth - less gods All the love and
 4. We have sinned, O ho - ly God! We are wrong, our

Dm Gm⁹Gm A+ A7 Dm Gm Dm Gm Dm

fruit is grow - ing! We have wronged Your ten - der love. Al -
 slow to trust You, See us, help - less slaves to sin, To
 trust we owe You. Calm our nois - y hearts to hear Your
 King, our Fa - ther! Here we bow, re - pent, and trust, And

Gm7 4th time to Coda 1 2, 3

A+ A7 Dm Dm A+ Dm C⁹ C

might - y God, for - give! pride. O God, for - ev - er
 self and fear and peace.
 gen - tle call to
 cling to You a -

F F/A F C/G F/A Bb Bbadd⁹ C sus C F/A Bb C⁹ C

faith - ful, How quick - ly we for - get Your pow'r and pa - tient

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LONG FEVER 2
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D.C. $\text{\textcircled{C}}$ Coda

F $\frac{E}{C}$ F $\frac{C}{G}$ $\frac{E}{A}$ B \flat B \flat add⁹ C sus C Dm $\frac{Dm}{A}$ Dm

good-ness, Our ev - er - last - ing debt! lone.

Psalm 107

(NASB)

1 Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good,
For His mercy is everlasting.
2 The redeemed of the Lord shall say so,
Those whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy
3 And gathered from the lands,
From the east and from the west,
From the north and from the south.

4 They wandered in the wilderness in a desert region;
They did not find a way to an inhabited city.
5 They were hungry and thirsty;
Their souls felt weak within them.
6 Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble;
He saved them from their distresses.
7 He also had them walk on a straight way,
To go to an inhabited city.
8 They shall give thanks to the Lord for His mercy,
And for His wonders to the sons of mankind!
9 For He has satisfied the thirsty soul,
And He has filled the hungry soul with what is good.

10 There were those who lived in darkness and in the shadow of death,
Prisoners in misery and chains,
11 Because they had rebelled against the words of God
And rejected the plan of the Most High.
12 Therefore He humbled their heart with labor;
They stumbled and there was no one to help.
13 Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble;
He saved them from their distresses.
14 He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death
And broke their bands apart.
15 They shall give thanks to the Lord for His mercy,
And for His wonders to the sons of mankind!
16 For He has shattered gates of bronze
And cut off bars of iron.

17 Fools, because of their rebellious way,
And because of their guilty deeds, were afflicted.
18 Their souls loathed all kinds of food,
And they came close to the gates of death.

19 Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble;
He saved them from their distresses.
20 He sent His word and healed them,
And saved them from their destruction.
21 They shall give thanks to the Lord for His mercy,
And for His wonders to the sons of mankind!
22 They shall also offer sacrifices of thanksgiving,
And tell of His works with joyful singing.

23 Those who go down to the sea in ships,
Who do business on great waters;
24 They have seen the works of the Lord,
And His wonders in the deep.
25 For He spoke and raised a stormy wind,
Which lifted the waves of the sea.
26 They rose up to the heavens, they went down to the depths;
Their soul melted away in their misery.
27 They reeled and staggered like a drunken person,
And were at their wits' end.
28 Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble,
And He brought them out of their distresses.
29 He caused the storm to be still,
So that the waves of the sea were hushed.
30 Then they were glad because they were quiet,
So He guided them to their desired harbor.
31 They shall give thanks to the Lord for His mercy,
And for His wonders to the sons of mankind!
32 They shall also exalt Him in the congregation of the people,
And praise Him at the seat of the elders.

33 He turns rivers into a wilderness,
And springs of water into a thirsty ground;
34 And a fruitful land into a salt waste,
Because of the wickedness of those who dwell in it.
35 He turns a wilderness into a pool of water,
And a dry land into springs of water;
36 And He has the hungry live there,
So that they may establish an inhabited city,
37 And sow fields and plant vineyards,
And gather a fruitful harvest.
38 He also blesses them and they multiply greatly,
And He does not let their cattle decrease.

39 When they become few and lowly
Because of oppression, misery, and sorrow,
40 He pours contempt upon noblemen
And makes them wander in a pathless wasteland.
41 But He sets the needy securely on high, away from affliction,
And makes his families like a flock.
42 The upright see it and are glad;
But all injustice shuts its mouth.
43 Who is wise? He is to pay attention to these things,
And consider the mercy of the Lord.

Reflection on Psalm 107

Imagine

all the times God has graciously intervened to
rescue His people
in matters great and small.

Combine

all the stories in the Bible,
all the stories from the thousands of years since Bible days, and
all the millions of individual testimonies yet untold.

God saves people!

Not just from sin,

as vital as that is,

but from all that presses in on them:

illness,

danger,

physical need, and

so much more.

That is the beautiful, triumphant message of
Psalm 107.

Our God is

unfailing love.

Our God is

absolute dependability.

Our God is thoroughly, constantly

good!

He has even turned death

into the doorway to

everlasting,

unbounded life.

All the times He saves us in this life are simply

a foretaste,

a down-payment on

our full and final salvation yet to come.

Praise Him,

our Savior,

our Redeemer!

Hymn recording: [Psalm 107](#)

Psalm 107

♩ = 63

Unison C C/G C/E F E/A E6/A C/G C A7sus Am7 Gsus G

1. Lord, You know our crea-ture needs— Food and wa - ter, qui-et rest. You are
 2. With the dark - ness all a - round, Sick in bod - y, soul, or mind, You are
 3. When my life is all a storm And the voice with-in is fear, I re-

F C/E C E7/G# Am Am/G F F6 C/G G13 G7 Csus C

wis - dom, love, and pow - er, And You al - ways give what's best.
 light and joy and heal-ing, Al - ways good and tru - ly kind.
 lease con - trol and trust You. You are Lord, and You are here.

Refrain
 N.C. F/G G Am Am/G F Gsus G E7/G# Am C/G Gsus G G13 G7

We cry to You, O bound-less God, In dai-ly need, in deep dis - tress. Un-fail-ing

C C6 C/E F6 F/E Dm7 F/A Fm6/Ab C/G G13 G7 C

love, You al-ways lis-ten. You ful-ly save. You rich-ly bless.

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Psalm 108

(NASB)

1 My heart is steadfast, God;
I will sing, I will sing praises also with my soul.
2 Awake, harp and lyre;
I will awaken the dawn!
3 I will give thanks to You, Lord, among the peoples,
And I will sing praises to You among the nations.
4 For Your mercy is great above the heavens,
And Your truth reaches to the skies.
5 Be exalted above the heavens, God,
And may Your glory be above all the earth.
6 So that Your beloved may be rescued,
Save with Your right hand, and answer me!

7 God has spoken in His holiness:
“I will triumph, I will divide up Shechem,
And measure out the Valley of Succoth.
8 Gilead is Mine, Manasseh is Mine;
Ephraim also is the helmet of My head;
Judah is My scepter.
9 Moab is My washbowl;
I will throw My sandal over Edom;
I will shout aloud over Philistia.”

10 Who will bring me into the fortified city?
Who will lead me to Edom?
11 God, have You Yourself not rejected us?
And will You not go forth with our armies, God?
12 Give us help against the enemy,
For deliverance by man is worthless.
13 Through God we will do valiantly,
And it is He who will trample down our enemies.

Reflection on Psalm 108

He is

our life,
our joy,
our Lord.

Every morning,

as the day begins,
we go forth to glorify Him with
our words,
our attitudes, and
our actions.

By our living examples,
we want everyone to know just how
good and
great

He is.

But be assured that

He never sends us out.
He leads us out.

Whatever challenges the day holds,
He goes before us,
assuring our victory,
assuring that we are sufficient for whatever comes.

Today,

go out and
praise Him
with all that you are!

Hymn recording: [Psalm 108](#)

Psalm 108

♩ = 60

Refrain
Unison

D Em7 D⁶_{F#} D_{F#} Gadd⁹ D_A Bm

The day be - gins - we praise You! With eag - er hearts we

G Em_A Em_A⁷ D Em7 D⁶_{F#} D_{F#} Gadd⁹ G D_A A⁷ G_A 4th time to Coda

praise You, And all day long we praise You, Our Fa - ther, our

D D Em⁶ A⁷_E D_{F#} G

God! 1. Ex - alt - ed a - bove the heav - ens, Your
2. You reign o - ver all of his - t'ry. The
3. No pow - er can stop Your pur - pose. All

D_A Bm Bm⁷ A sus A G_A D G

glo - ry is all a - round. Cre - a - tion it - self ap -
na - tions are all Your own. Your good - ness will rule for -
king - doms but Yours will fall. Our Shep - herd, we bold - ly

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MUSIC: African-American Spiritual and Ken Bible

THE FOUNTAIN 2
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D.C. $\text{\textcircled{C}}$ Coda

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of a treble clef staff with guitar chords and a bass clef staff with a simple bass line. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The chords are: D/A, Bm, G, D/A, A7, G/A, D, and D. The lyrics are: "plauds You With ev - 'ry sight and sound. God. ev - er, Mes - si - ah on the throne. fol - low, Al - might - y Lord of all!"

D/A Bm G D/A A7 G/A D D

plauds You With ev - 'ry sight and sound. God.
ev - er, Mes - si - ah on the throne.
fol - low, Al - might - y Lord of all!

Psalm 109

(NASB)

1 God of my praise,
Do not be silent!
2 For they have opened a wicked and deceitful mouth against me;
They have spoken against me with a lying tongue.
3 They have also surrounded me with words of hatred,
And have fought against me without cause.
4 In return for my love they act as my accusers;
But I am in prayer.
5 So they have repaid me evil for good,
And hatred for my love.

6 Appoint a wicked person over him,
And may an accuser stand at his right hand.
7 When he is judged, may he come out guilty,
And may his prayer become sin.
8 May his days be few;
May another take his office.
9 May his children be fatherless,
And his wife a widow.
10 May his children wander about and beg;
And may they seek sustenance far from their ruined homes.
11 May the creditor seize everything that he has,
And may strangers plunder the product of his labor.
12 May there be none to extend kindness to him,
Nor any to be gracious to his fatherless children.
13 May his descendants be eliminated;
May their name be wiped out in a following generation.

14 May the guilt of his fathers be remembered before the Lord,
And do not let the sin of his mother be wiped out.
15 May they be before the Lord continually,
So that He may eliminate their memory from the earth;
16 Because he did not remember to show mercy,
But persecuted the afflicted and needy person,
And the despondent in heart, to put them to death.
17 He also loved cursing, so it came to him;
And he did not delight in blessing, so it was far from him.
18 But he clothed himself with cursing as with his garment,
And it entered his body like water,
And like oil into his bones.

19 May it be to him as a garment with which he covers himself,
And as a belt which he constantly wears around himself.
20 May this be the reward of my accusers from the Lord,
And of those who speak evil against my soul.

21 But You, God, the Lord, deal kindly with me for the sake of Your name;
Because Your mercy is good, rescue me;
22 For I am afflicted and needy,
And my heart is wounded within me.
23 I am passing like a shadow when it lengthens;
I am shaken off like the locust.
24 My knees are weak from fasting,
And my flesh has grown lean, without fatness.
25 I also have become a disgrace to them;
When they see me, they shake their head.

26 Help me, Lord my God;
Save me according to Your mercy.
27 And may they know that this is Your hand;
You, Lord, have done it.
28 They will curse, but You bless;
When they arise, they will be ashamed,
But Your servant will be glad.
29 May my accusers be clothed with dishonor,
And may they cover themselves with their own shame as with a robe.

30 With my mouth I will give thanks abundantly to the Lord;
And I will praise Him in the midst of many.
31 For He stands at the right hand of the needy,
To save him from those who judge his soul.

Good and Evil in the Psalms

The Psalms often speak of good and evil in absolute terms that seem confusing to modern readers.

For example, the royal psalms sometimes seem to talk about a king who is perfectly good and rules for all eternity (see Psalms 2, 21, 45, 72, 110, and others).

But these psalms were initially fulfilled in a human king whose virtues were only partial and passing.

The psalmist often claims innocence for himself in a way that seems to deny the flaws found in even the most godly person (for example, see Psalm 17:3; 26:1; 86:2)

On the other hand, and perhaps the most troubling, some psalmists vehemently curse their enemies as if they were perfectly evil and eternally unredeemable (see Psalms 69, 109, and others).

Immersed in the human world around them, the psalmists are moved by the perfect, eternal quality of absolute good and absolute evil, even though the good and evil observed in human beings are only partial (only partly true) and passing (only temporarily true).

With the psalmists, we long for the perfect, eternal Kingdom of God, for complete innocence, for the complete removal of all evil.

But we can only see complete good and complete evil

through the reality of Jesus Christ.

He is the perfect, eternal King.

He is perfect innocence, and

in Him alone are we innocent.

He alone will bring ultimate destruction on the Ultimate Evil, Satan and his unrepentant followers.

Inspired by the Holy Spirit, the psalms point us beyond
our imperfections and
our mortality
to the ultimate good and evil,
seen only as we look to
the Ultimate King,
the Ultimate Innocent,
the Ultimate Judge,
Jesus Christ.

Hymn recording: [Psalm 109](#)

Psalm 109

♩ = 80

Unison Cm Ab Fm Ab Cm Fm G sus G+ G7 Cm Cm Bb Fm6 Fm

1. We mourn this love - ly E - den, Lord, For all still bears the
 2. Show e - vil now for all it is, And help us feel Your
 3. Come, cleanse all e - vil, root and fruit! Make all cre - a - tion

G G/D G Fm Fm/G Fm Ab Fm F sus Fm Cm G+ G7

scar Of bru - tal, un - re - pent - ant wrong Op -
 heart, The wrath that's born of burn - ing love For
 new Till ev - 'ry breeze and ev - 'ry breath Sings

3rd time to Coda ⊕ 1 2
 Ab G7 Cm Cm/G Cm Cm Cm/G Cm G G7 Cm Cm Eb

posed to all You are.
 dear ones torn a - part. Your lov - ing will, Your
 al - ways, on - ly

G G+G7 Cm G+G7 Cm Cm Bb Fm6 Fm6 G G/D G Fm Fm/G Fm Ab

per - fect peace, Your full - ness with - out end, Your ho - ly, joy - ful

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PSALM 109

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Fm D Fsus Fm Cm G+ G7 Ab G7 Cm Cm/G Cm Cm Cm/G Cm
 D.C. Ⓞ Coda

king - dom come, The heav - en You in - tend! You.

Psalm 110

(NASB)

1 The Lord says to my Lord:

“Sit at My right hand

Until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet.”

2 The Lord will stretch out Your strong scepter from Zion, saying,

“Rule in the midst of Your enemies.”

3 Your people will volunteer freely on the day of Your power;

In holy splendor, from the womb of the dawn,

Your youth are to You as the dew.

4 The Lord has sworn and will not change His mind,

“You are a priest forever

According to the order of Melchizedek.”

5 The Lord is at Your right hand;

He will shatter kings in the day of His wrath.

6 He will judge among the nations,

He will fill them with corpses,

He will shatter the chief men over a broad country.

7 He will drink from the brook by the wayside;

Therefore He will lift up His head.

Reflection on Psalm 110

Father, at Your right hand You have enthroned
Your Son, Jesus Christ,
 holy God and
 wholly human,
 exactly like You and
 exactly like us, but without sin.

There at the power center of the universe
forever reigns
 our elder Brother,
 our own flesh and blood.

With You, He will rule
 all reality for
 all eternity,
He rules with
 absolute, fearsome might over His enemies and
 tender, all-encompassing love for His people.

But our King is also
 our Great High Priest.
He devotes all He is to faithfully ministering
 all Your love to
 all Your people.
Not even His own life was too high a price to pay.
He forgives,
 protects,
 cleanses,
 teaches,
 intercedes, and
 blesses.
He will be entirely
 for us
 for all eternity.

Thank You, Father, for the
 immeasurable,
 inexpressible
gift of Your Son!

Hymn recording: [Psalm 110](#)

Psalm 110

TUNE: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (BLAENWERN)

Psalm 110; Mark 12:35-37; 14:62; Acts 2:34-36; Romans 8:34;

1 Corinthians 15:25; Ephesians 1:20; Colossians 3:1-4; Hebrews 1:3-4;

4:14-16; 5:10; 6:19-20; 7:1-28; 8:1-2; 10:11-13, 19-23; 12:1-2; 1 Peter 3:22

♩ = 96

F B \flat $\frac{B\flat}{A}$ Gm7 $\frac{E}{A}$ F $\frac{E}{C}$ C \sharp° Dm A7 B \flat $\frac{E}{A}$

1. Sov - 'reign God, Al - might - y Fa - ther, You have spo - ken
 2. Fa - ther, what a work You give Him: Great high priest of
 3. Bathed in all Your bound - less glo - ry, Wield - ing all Your

$\frac{C}{G}$ G7 C $\frac{C}{B\flat}$ $\frac{E}{A}$ $\frac{E_{sus}}{G}$ F B \flat $\frac{B\flat}{A}$ Gm7 $\frac{E}{A}$ F $\frac{E}{C}$ C \sharp° Dm⁹Dm C7

to Your Son: "Rule with Me till all is fin - ished, All love's
 all Your love, Ev - er - liv - ing in - ter - ces - sor, Ev - er
 ho - ly might, Per - fect love with per - fect wis - dom, Sun of

F B \flat $\frac{Gm}{B\flat}$ $\frac{E}{C}$ CC7 F $\frac{E}{E}$ Dm $\frac{Dm}{C}$ B \flat $\frac{E}{C}$ C7 F $\frac{Am7}{E}$

per - fect will is done. See Your peo - ple, pure and glo - rious,
 draw - ing hearts a - bove, Pray - ing, sav - ing, cleans - ing, bless - ing,
 ev - er - last - ing light! Here in Him, Your ten - der great - ness

WORDS: Ken Bible

MUSIC: William Penfro Rowlands; arr. by Ken Bible

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Alt. Tunes: AUSTRIAN HYMN; HYFRYDOL; HYMN TO JOY

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Dm⁷ F
 C

Gm G sus G⁷ C sus C B^b B^b B^b F F^{sus} F
 C C C A B^b C

Come from ev - 'ry time and place, Of - f'ring all in
 Help - ing each to un - der - stand Guilt is gone for
 Shouts what none can ful - ly sing: Wor - ship, hon - or,

C C⁷ F F C^{#°} Dm⁹ Dm C F B^b B^b⁶ F C C⁷ F

love and wor - ship, Grate - ful lives that sing Your grace."
 those He par - dons; None can snatch them from Your hand.
 end - less prais - es Be to Christ, our Priest, our King!

Psalm 111

(NASB)

1 Praise the Lord!

I will give thanks to the Lord with all my heart,
In the company of the upright and in the assembly.

2 Great are the works of the Lord;
They are studied by all who delight in them.

3 Splendid and majestic is His work,
And His righteousness endures forever.

4 He has caused His wonders to be remembered;
The Lord is gracious and compassionate.

5 He has given food to those who fear Him;
He will remember His covenant forever.

6 He has made known to His people the power of His works,
In giving them the inheritance of the nations.

7 The works of His hands are truth and justice;
All His precepts are trustworthy.

8 They are upheld forever and ever;
They are performed in truth and uprightness.

9 He has sent redemption to His people;
He has ordained His covenant forever;

Holy and awesome is His name.

10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
All those who follow His commandments have a good understanding;
His praise endures forever.

Reflection on Psalm 111

O wonderful God,
 my Father,
send Your faithful Spirit to help
 my mind to recall and
 my heart to savor
all the wonders of Your power,
 all the depths of Your wisdom, and
 all the riches of Your love.
You are just and true,
 gracious and compassionate,
 wholeheartedly generous, and
 deeply, unfailingly good.

Today,
help me to
 remember,
 rejoice, and
 truly worship You,
O glorious God!

Hymn recording: [Psalm 111](#)

Psalm 111

ALT. TUNE: Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (OLD 100TH)

See also the hymn "Psalm 112,"
written as an optional sequel to this hymn,
sung to the same tune.

♩ = 132

Unison

B \flat F
A B \flat B \flat 6 B \flat M7 C C G A \flat m C F B \flat B \flat / \flat F B \flat

1. With thanks, with joy, in hum - ble fear, We lift Your praise that
2. You give Your - self with pure de - light. Our hearts re - joice, our
3. Lord, all You say and all You do Are faith - ful, righ - teous,
4. O Sov - 'reign Lord, as we o - bey, Your wis - dom guides our

F C Dm B \flat 6 B \flat 6/D C C G A \flat m C F B \flat F A B \circ

all might hear This sim - ple mes - sage loud and
souls re - cite Your works, Your ways, so rich, so
kind, and true. When all is wrong, we trust in
dark - ened way, And joy glows bright - er day by

C sus C \flat sus A \flat m Dm B \flat F C A \flat m C7 F F C F

clear: How great You are, O glo - rious God!
right. How good You are, O glo - rious God!
You, For You are just, O glo - rious God!
day. All praise to You, O glo - rious God!

WORDS: Ken Bible
MUSIC: Ken Bible, inspired by *The Sacred Harp*, 1844

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L.M.

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Psalm 112

(NASB)

1 Praise the Lord!

Blessed is a person who fears the Lord,
Who greatly delights in His commandments.

2 His descendants will be mighty on the earth;
The generation of the upright will be blessed.

3 Wealth and riches are in his house,
And his righteousness endures forever.

4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright;
He is gracious, compassionate, and righteous.

5 It goes well for a person who is gracious and lends;
He will maintain his cause in judgment.

6 For he will never be shaken;
The righteous will be remembered forever.

7 He will not fear bad news;
His heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord.

8 His heart is firm, he will not fear,
But will look with satisfaction on his enemies.

9 He has given freely to the poor,
His righteousness endures forever;
His horn will be exalted in honor.

10 The wicked will see it and be vexed,
He will gnash his teeth and melt away;
The desire of the wicked will perish.

Reflection on Psalm 112

O Father, I bow to You.

I worship You,
I love You, and
I fear You.

I know that You are
all You say You are,
so I trust You and
obey You
in reverence and
deep humility.

As I do, what blessings You pour out on me
every day:

the wealth of Your magnificent presence;
Your rich provision for all my physical and spiritual needs;
Your light for my darkness;
Your wisdom for my ignorance.

You lavish on me and
nurture within me

Your rightness,
Your holiness,
Your peace,
Your love for other people.

Because I fear You,

I need fear nothing and no one else.

My heart is steadfast,
trusting in You.

Hymn recording: [Psalm 112](#)

Psalm 112

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♩ = 132

Unison

B \flat F
A B \flat B \flat 6 B \flat M7 C C
G A m F B \flat B \flat
F B \flat

1. O Ho - ly God, O Liv - ing Flame, We know, we fear, we
2. We love Your Word! O may it be The truth that dai - ly
3. Your bless - ings grace our lives each day With sim - ple joys in
4. No change, no loss, no dark un - known- We fear You, Lord, and

F
C D m B \flat 6 B \flat 6
D C C
G A m F B \flat F
A B \circ

love Your name. May all we say and do pro -
sets us free To live Your love's in - ten - si -
rich ar - ray, With deep de - lights as we o -
You a - lone, For You are ev - er on the

C sus C sus
G C A m D m B \flat F
C A m C7 F F
C F

claim Your life in us, O glo - rious God!
ty, O ten - der, kind, and gra - cious God!
bey, O watch - ful, ev - er - pres - ent God!
throne, Our Ab - ba, lov - ing Fa - ther God!

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MUSIC: Ken Bible, inspired by *The Sacred Harp*, 1844

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Psalm 113

(NASB)

1 Praise the Lord!

Praise Him, you servants of the Lord,
Praise the name of the Lord.

2 Blessed be the name of the Lord
From this time on and forever.

3 From the rising of the sun to its setting,
The name of the Lord is to be praised.

4 The Lord is high above all nations;
His glory is above the heavens.

5 Who is like the Lord our God,
Who is enthroned on high,

6 Who looks far down to
The heavens and the earth?

7 He raises the poor from the dust,
He lifts the needy from the garbage heap,

8 To seat them with noblemen,
With the noblemen of His people.

9 He has the infertile woman live in the house
As a joyful mother of children.

Praise the Lord!

Reflection on Psalm 113

Father, the gulf between us is
not primarily one of physical distance.
You are “higher” than us in the character,
the quality,
the excellence of Your very being.
You are infinitely greater than us –
almighty,
all-knowing,
eternal, and
holy.
You are pure love.
In all these ways
and more,
we are so far below You.
You are without any need,
We are constantly,
completely dependent.

Yet You, the Most High,
humble Yourself,
not just to reach down to our world,
but to reach all the way down to
the neediest among us.
Your loving heart yearns for
the weakest,
the smallest,
the overlooked,
the honor-less,
the lonely,
the lost.

That is why You came among us.
And that is why You are
here
right
now.

Hymn recording: [Psalm 113](#)

Psalm 113

♩ = 126

Unison C $\frac{G}{B}$ $\frac{Fadd^9}{A}$ $\frac{F}{A}$ FM7 G $\frac{Am}{G}$ G C G sus G

1. Praise to You, God, from Your ser - vants, Your chil - dren!
 2. O - cean of be - ing, its source and its cen - ter,
 3. Yet in Your love You reach down to the weak - est-

C $\frac{G}{B}$ $\frac{Fadd^9}{A}$ $\frac{F}{A}$ FM7 G $\frac{Am}{G}$ G7 C $\frac{C}{G}$ $\frac{C}{E}$

Praise from our hearts, ev - er eag - er to sing.
 Ut - ter mag - ni - fi - cence no mind can know,
 Those with - out hon - or, the sick and the small.

F $\frac{Fadd^9}{F}$ F C $\frac{Csus}{D}$ $\frac{C}{E}$ G G7 C $\frac{G}{D}$ $\frac{C}{E}$

Glo - ry and hon - or and joy - ful thanks - giv - ing
 Ho - ly, al - might - y, e - ter - nal, ex - alt - ed -
 To all the help - less, the lep - ers, the lone - ly,

Dm7 $\frac{C}{G}$ $\frac{G7sus}{C}$ Am G $\frac{Em}{G}$ G7 C $\frac{Csus}{D}$ $\frac{C}{E}$

Rise up to You, our Cre - a - tor and King.
 E - ven the heav - ens are so far be - low.
 Ful - ly and free - ly You pour out Your all.

WORDS & MUSIC: Ken Bible

PSALM 113
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F Em Esus Em F Dm⁷ C_E C C_B

Lord of all, Most High and most hum - ble,
 Lord of all, Most High and most hum - ble,
 Lord of all, Most High and most hum - ble,

E_A F C_G G^{#o7} Am Dm Dm⁷ G⁷ C C_G C

Fa - ther, Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor and King!
 We are Your crea - tures and so far be - low.
 O - pen our hearts as You pour out Your all.

Psalm 114

(NASB)

1 When Israel went forth from Egypt,
The house of Jacob from a people of a foreign language,
2 Judah became His sanctuary;
Israel, His dominion.

3 The sea looked and fled;
The Jordan turned back.
4 The mountains skipped like rams,
The hills, like lambs.

5 What ails you, sea, that you flee?
Jordan, that you turn back?
6 Mountains, that you skip like rams?
Hills, like lambs?

7 Tremble, earth, before the Lord,
Before the God of Jacob,
8 Who turned the rock into a pool of water,
The flint into a fountain of water.

Reflection on Psalm 114

Father, just as You led Israel
out of Egypt and
into the promised land,
You lead us
out of our bondage,
out of our slavery,
toward the glorious destiny You have
promised to us and
secured for us.

You go with us and
go before us,
almighty,
fearsome,
all-controlling,
unstoppable,
easily doing
the unexpected and
the impossible.

Before You,
seas part,
mountains dance,
rocks pour out water,
the ground gives heavenly bread, and
the skies rain food in abundance.
Before You, all creation,
all reality,
trembles and
bows
quietly, submissively doing Your will.

You, Almighty God, are
absolute power,
perfect wisdom,
the Bread of Heaven, and
the Water of Life.
And You are with us day by day!

Hymn recording: [Psalm 114](#)

Psalm 114

♩ = 80

Unison $\frac{F}{G}$ C

$\frac{F}{A}$

G7

C

$\frac{C}{E}$

FM7

$\frac{F}{G}$

1. You lead us with fire and light, Pure
 2. You guide us, You go be - fore. Each
 3. While feed - ing on Heav - en's Bread, Lord,

C

F

$\frac{D7}{F\#}$

G sus

$\frac{G\text{ sus}}{D}$

G

C

$\frac{C}{E}$

$\frac{F}{G}$

C

$\frac{C}{D}$

$\frac{C}{E}$

C

wis - dom and sov - 'reign might. From bond - age to free - dom, You
 day is an o - pen door. Your pres - ence is pow - er. Each
 what could we need or dread? Thro' wa - ters, thro' des - erts, Al -

F

$\frac{Dm}{F}$

$F\#\circ7$

$\frac{D7}{F\#}$

$F\#\circ7$

$\frac{C}{G}$

Am

Dm7

G7

C

$\frac{C}{G}$

C

res - cue all who trust in You, So faith - ful and good and right!
 prob - lem serves Your lov - ing will. We trust all You have in store!
 might - y God, we fol - low You, And Ca - naan is just a - head!

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 MUSIC: African-American Spiritual and Ken Bible

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Psalm 115

(NASB)

1 Not to us, Lord, not to us,
But to Your name give glory,
Because of Your mercy, because of Your truth.

2 Why should the nations say,
“Where, then, is their God?”

3 But our God is in the heavens;
He does whatever He pleases.

4 Their idols are silver and gold,
The work of human hands.

5 They have mouths, but they cannot speak;
They have eyes, but they cannot see;

6 They have ears, but they cannot hear;
They have noses, but they cannot smell;

7 They have hands, but they cannot feel;
They have feet, but they cannot walk;

They cannot make a sound with their throat.

8 Those who make them will become like them,
Everyone who trusts in them.

9 Israel, trust in the Lord;

He is their help and their shield.

10 House of Aaron, trust in the Lord;

He is their help and their shield.

11 You who fear the Lord, trust in the Lord;

He is their help and their shield.

12 The Lord has been mindful of us; He will bless us.

He will bless the house of Israel;

He will bless the house of Aaron.

13 He will bless those who fear the Lord,

The small together with the great.

14 May the Lord increase you,

You and your children.

15 May you be blessed of the Lord,

Maker of heaven and earth.

16 The heavens are the heavens of the Lord,

But the earth He has given to the sons of mankind.

17 The dead do not praise the Lord,

Nor do any who go down into silence;

18 But as for us, we will bless the Lord

From this time and forever.
Praise the Lord!

Reflection on Psalm 115

Father, You alone are worthy of all
honor, glory, and
trust.

For You alone are
Yahweh, source of all being,
Sovereign Creator,
unfailing love, and
absolute dependability.

You are the Maker.

You are the Almighty Doer.

You speak.

You listen.

You touch.

You feel.

You move.

Sovereign and unhindered,
You do everything You desire, and
always in perfect love.

All other “gods”, everything else we
trust,
seek, and
desire,

are nothing.

They are simply earthbound delusions, born of
our weakness and
ignorant self-centeredness.

As we trust them,
seek them, and
desire them,

we pour our lives into
emptiness and vanity.

We join our idols in their
complete nothingness and
eternal silence.

Hymn recording: [Psalm 115](#)

Psalm 115

♩ = 88

Unison G7 Cm $\frac{Fm^6}{C}$ Cm G7 Cm $\frac{Eb}{G}$ $\frac{Fm}{Ab}$ $\frac{Cm}{G}$ $\frac{Csus}{G}$ $\frac{Cm}{G}$ $\frac{Ab}{G}$ Fm⁹ Fm $\frac{Cm}{G}$ G

1. To You a-lone all glo-ry, Re-splen-dent Liv-ing God,
2. The flim-sy gods we fash-ion Are born of crumb-ling clay,

G7 Cm $\frac{Fm^6}{C}$ Cm G7 Cm $\frac{Eb}{G}$ $\frac{Fm}{D}$ $\frac{Cm}{G}$ $\frac{Csus}{G}$ Fm⁷ G⁷ $\frac{G^7sus}{G}$ Cm $\frac{Cm}{G}$ Cm

For- ev-er true and faith-ful, With mer-cy deep and broad.
The pet-ty, proud de-lu-sions Of crea-tures of a day.

G G $\frac{Cm}{G}$ G⁷ $\frac{Cm}{G}$ Fm⁷ $\frac{Ab^6}{G}$ Fm⁷ $\frac{Cm}{Eb}$ Fm⁶ Fm G $\frac{G}{D}$ G

Your Word is pow'r un-bound-ed. You do all You de-sire,
Re-splen-dent God un-chang-ing, We trust Your hid-den ways

G7 Cm $\frac{Fm^6}{C}$ Cm G7 Cm $\frac{Eb}{G}$ $\frac{Fm}{D}$ $\frac{Cm}{G}$ $\frac{Csus}{G}$ Fm⁷ G⁷ $\frac{G^7sus}{G}$ Cm

Your will a force un-chal-lenged, Your love a rag-ing fire.
And live to breathe Your bless-ing And sing Your end-less praise!

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Psalm 116

(NASB)

1 I love the Lord, because He hears
My voice and my pleas.
2 Because He has inclined His ear to me,
Therefore I will call upon Him as long as I live.
3 The snares of death encompassed me
And the terrors of Sheol came upon me;
I found distress and sorrow.
4 Then I called upon the name of the Lord:
“Please, Lord, save my life!”

5 Gracious is the Lord, and righteous;
Yes, our God is compassionate.
6 The Lord watches over the simple;
I was brought low, and He saved me.
7 Return to your rest, my soul,
For the Lord has dealt generously with you.
8 For You have rescued my soul from death,
My eyes from tears,
And my feet from stumbling.
9 I shall walk before the Lord
In the land of the living.
10 I believed when I said,
“I am greatly afflicted.”
11 I said in my alarm,
“All people are liars.”

12 What shall I repay to the Lord
For all His benefits to me?
13 I will lift up the cup of salvation,
And call upon the name of the Lord.
14 I will pay my vows to the Lord;
May it be in the presence of all His people!
15 Precious in the sight of the Lord
Is the death of His godly ones.
16 O Lord, I surely am Your slave,
I am Your slave, the son of Your female slave,
You have unfastened my restraints.
17 I will offer You a sacrifice of thanksgiving,
And call upon the name of the Lord.
18 I will pay my vows to the Lord,

May it be in the presence of all His people,
19 In the courtyards of the Lord's house,
In the midst of you, Jerusalem!
Praise the Lord!

Reflection on Psalm 116

Almighty God, I love You
because You first loved me (1 John 4:19).

Though You are the
Source and
Sustainer
of a reality vast beyond my imagination,
Your love for me is
personal,
complete, and
intense.

When I call to You,
infinitely small as I am,
You hear,
You answer, and
You give me Your very best.

You are gracious,
compassionate,
infinitely good, and
always right.

As I rest in You,
You rescue
my life from death,
my eyes from tears,
my feet from stumbling.

You give me the
security and
privilege
of walking day by day in Your very presence.

So how can I thank You
for all You do for me?
What response is appropriate?
I want to worship You
as Jesus worshipped You,
Your holy, perfect Son.

I want to worship You
constantly,
completely,
with all my heart,
with all I have,

with all I am.

I want to lay down my life for Your glory,
drinking the cup of sacrifice that He drank (Matthew 20:20-23) and
lifting the cup of redemption that He poured for me
with His own blood (Matthew 26:26-29).

All this I long to do in the presence of all Your people,
so that they may see how very

great and

good and

gracious

You are!

O Lord, my God,
I love You!

Hymn recording: [Psalm 116](#)

Psalm 116

with Matthew 20:20-23; 26:26-29, 39

♩ = 80

Unison

N.C. E A G⁷ B C G⁷ sus G⁷ A^m F C E Fadd⁹ D^m A D^m7 F

1. I love You as Your lit - tle child, Al - might - y Lord of
 2. When ti - ny prob - lems steal my peace, When life is deep - est
 3. Com - pas - sion, mer - cy, bound - less grace- No words can speak Your
 4. I share the cup that Je - sus drank, I lift the cup He

G⁷ sus G⁷ F G⁹ F C E C F E⁷ A^m F

all. You lis - ten for my ev - 'ry word And
 pain, I turn and trust Your ten - der heart And
 love, So pure and right, so wide and deep, Be -
 poured And wor - ship You with ev - 'ry breath, My

C G G⁷ sus G⁷ A^m A^m G F C E Fadd⁹ G⁷ sus G⁷ C

an - swer when I call. You an - swer when I call.
 find my fears are vain. In You all fear is vain.
 low, a - round, a - bove- A - round and all a - bove!
 life, my love, my Lord! My life, my love, my Lord!

WORDS & Music: Ken Bible

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Psalm 117

(NASB)

1 Praise the Lord, all nations;
Sing His praises, all peoples!
2 For His mercy toward us is great,
And the truth of the Lord is everlasting.
Praise the Lord!

Reflection on Psalm 117

Our vision of praise tends to be
small,
narrow, and
uniform.

We who call ourselves “Christian”
praise God,
and we praise Him in a certain way.

But every nation,
every people,
every person
was individually fashioned by Him.
Each of us is a unique expression of
His image and of
His goodness and greatness.
Each of us has our own story to tell of
His unfailing love and
His absolute dependability.
Each of us and all of us,
in all our
unity and
wild diversity,
are to offer Him
our one-of-a-kind selves in praise.

As we see Him for who He is and
ourselves for who we are,
His uniquely glorious and dearly loved children,
how can we help but
praise Him?
How can we help but
tell and show
everyone
just how very wonderful He is?

Praise the Lord!
Everyone,
PRAISE THE LORD!

Hymn recording: [Psalm 117](#)

Psalm 117

Unison
 ♩ = 88
 F Fadd⁹ F B^b $\frac{B^b}{C}$ $\frac{C^7}{D}$ $\frac{C^7}{E}$ F $\frac{F}{A}$ B^bM⁷ $\frac{A^m}{C}$

Praise, all you na - tions, praise the Lord!

F Fadd⁹ F B^b $\frac{B^b}{C}$ $\frac{C^7}{D}$ $\frac{C^7}{E}$ D^m C⁷ F B^b

Praise, all you peo - ples, praise our God!

F $\frac{A^7}{C^\sharp}$ D^m $\frac{D^m}{C}$ B^bM⁷ $\frac{C^{13}}{G}$ Fadd⁹ $\frac{Fadd^9}{C}$ F B^b $\frac{B^b}{D}$ F $\frac{F}{A}$

Lift up His name with all you are; For He is love, and

B^b $\frac{B^b}{D}$ F $\frac{F}{A}$ $\frac{F}{B^b}$ $\frac{E}{C}$ Fadd⁹ $\frac{F}{C}$ B^b $\frac{B^b}{C}$ $\frac{C^7}{D}$ $\frac{C^7}{E}$ B^b $\frac{F_{sus}}{G}$ F

He is truth. Sing hal - le - lu - jah! Praise the Lord!

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 MUSIC: African-American Spiritual and Ken Bible

WITNESS 2
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Psalm 118

(NASB)

1 Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;
For His mercy is everlasting.

2 Let Israel say,
"His mercy is everlasting."

3 Oh let the house of Aaron say,
"His mercy is everlasting."

4 Let those who fear the Lord say,
"His mercy is everlasting."

5 From my distress I called upon the Lord;
The Lord answered me and put me in an open space.

6 The Lord is for me; I will not fear;
What can man do to me?

7 The Lord is for me among those who help me;
Therefore I will look with satisfaction on those who hate me.

8 It is better to take refuge in the Lord
Than to trust in people.

9 It is better to take refuge in the Lord
Than to trust in noblemen.

10 All nations surrounded me;
In the name of the Lord I will certainly fend them off.

11 They surrounded me, yes, they surrounded me;
In the name of the Lord I will certainly fend them off.

12 They surrounded me like bees;
They were extinguished like a fire of thorn bushes;
In the name of the Lord I will certainly fend them off.

13 You pushed me violently so that I was falling,
But the Lord helped me.

14 The Lord is my strength and song,
And He has become my salvation.

15 The sound of joyful shouting and salvation is in the tents of the righteous;
The right hand of the Lord performs valiantly.

16 The right hand of the Lord is exalted;
The right hand of the Lord performs valiantly.

17 I will not die, but live,
And tell of the works of the Lord.

18 The Lord has disciplined me severely,
But He has not turned me over to death.

19 Open the gates of righteousness to me;
I will enter through them, I will give thanks to the Lord.

20 This is the gate of the Lord;
The righteous will enter through it.

21 I will give thanks to You, for You have answered me,
And You have become my salvation.

22 A stone which the builders rejected
Has become the chief cornerstone.

23 This came about from the Lord;
It is marvelous in our eyes.

24 This is the day which the Lord has made;
Let's rejoice and be glad in it.

25 Please, O Lord, do save us;
Please, O Lord, do send prosperity!

26 Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord;
We have blessed you from the house of the Lord.

27 The Lord is God, and He has given us light;
Bind the festival sacrifice to the horns of the altar with cords.

28 You are my God, and I give thanks to You;
You are my God, I exalt You.

29 Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;
For His mercy is everlasting.

Reflection on Psalm 118

See Psalm 118 in the light of Jesus Christ.

He is our reason for thanksgiving (v.1).

He is the full expression of God's
goodness and
unfailing love (vv.2-4).

He is our Savior, our refuge from
every threat and
every fear (vv.5-13).

He is our strength and
our song (vv.14-16).

He delivers us from death (vv.17-18).

He makes us worthy to enter the gates of righteousness (vv.18-21).

He is the cornerstone of all God is doing (vv.22-24).

He is the sacrifice bound to the altar (v.27).

We join with His disciples of
every time and
every place,

shouting,

“Hosanna!

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!” (vv.25-26)

Through every situation,
in the face of every need,
we can rejoice, for
Christ is with us!

Hymn recording: [Psalm 118](#)

Psalm 118

♩ = 84

Unison

F C E Dm⁷ Dm⁹ Cadd⁹ C F/A Dm/B C C/E

1. We give thanks to God our Fa - ther! Christ is with us!
 2. In our suf - fring, in our sor - row, Christ is with us!
 3. O - pen wide the gates of splen - dor! Christ is with us!

F A_m/F# C/G G F C/E F E⁷ A_m⁹ A_m

Christ is with us! In His rich, un - fail - ing good - ness
 Christ is with us! Vic - tor, vic - tim, - Man of Sor - rows,
 Christ is with us! Ris - en Sav - ior, King of Glo - ry,

C G/D C/E F G⁷ C C/B A_m E_m

Christ is with us! Praise His name! When the fear and
 Christ is with us! Praise His name! On the moun - tain,
 Christ is with us! Praise His name! Ho - ly, ho - ly,

F/A D_m/B C C/B A_m E_m Dm⁷ G⁷_{sus} G#^{o7}

dark - ness threat - en All a - round and all with - in,
 through the val - ley, Through the fire and through the sea,
 ho - ly Bro - ther, King and priest and sac - ri - fice!

WORDS & MUSIC: Ken Bible

PSALM 118
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Am $\frac{Am}{E}$ Em $\frac{Em}{B}$ F E7 Am⁹ Am C $\frac{G}{D}$ $\frac{C}{E}$ F G7 C

He is Light and Song and Sav - ior. Christ is with us! Praise His name!
 He is Sov - 'reign God for - ev - er. Christ is with us! Praise His name!
 See sal - va - tion all com - plet - ed! Christ is with us! Praise His name!

Psalm 119

(NASB)

1 Blessed are those whose way is blameless,
Who walk in the Law of the Lord.
2 Blessed are those who comply with His testimonies,
And seek Him with all their heart.
3 They also do no injustice;
They walk in His ways.
4 You have ordained Your precepts,
That we are to keep them diligently.
5 Oh that my ways may be established
To keep Your statutes!
6 Then I will not be ashamed
When I look at all Your commandments.
7 I will give thanks to You with uprightness of heart,
When I learn Your righteous judgments.
8 I will keep Your statutes;
Do not utterly abandon me!

9 How can a young man keep his way pure?
By keeping it according to Your word.
10 With all my heart I have sought You;
Do not let me wander from Your commandments.
11 I have treasured Your word in my heart,
So that I may not sin against You.
12 Blessed are You, Lord;
Teach me Your statutes.
13 With my lips I have told of
All the ordinances of Your mouth.
14 I have rejoiced in the way of Your testimonies,
As much as in all riches.
15 I will meditate on Your precepts
And regard Your ways.
16 I shall delight in Your statutes;
I will not forget Your word.

17 Deal generously with Your servant,
That I may live and keep Your word.
18 Open my eyes, that I may behold
Wonderful things from Your Law.
19 I am a stranger on the earth;
Do not hide Your commandments from me.

20 My soul is crushed with longing
For Your ordinances at all times.
21 You rebuke the arrogant, the cursed,
Who wander from Your commandments.
22 Take disgrace and contempt away from me,
For I comply with Your testimonies.
23 Even though rulers sit and speak against me,
Your servant meditates on Your statutes.
24 Your testimonies also are my delight;
They are my advisers.

25 My soul clings to the dust;
Revive me according to Your word.
26 I have told of my ways, and You have answered me;
Teach me Your statutes.
27 Make me understand the way of Your precepts,
And I will meditate on Your wonders.
28 My soul weeps because of grief;
Strengthen me according to Your word.
29 Remove the false way from me,
And graciously grant me Your Law.
30 I have chosen the faithful way;
I have placed Your judgments before me.
31 I cling to Your testimonies;
Lord, do not put me to shame!
32 I shall run the way of Your commandments,
For You will enlarge my heart.

33 Teach me, the way of Your statutes, Lord,
And I shall comply with it to the end.
34 Give me understanding, so that I may comply with Your Law
And keep it with all my heart.
35 Make me walk in the path of Your commandments,
For I delight in it.
36 Incline my heart to Your testimonies,
And not to dishonest gain.
37 Turn my eyes away from looking at what is worthless,
And revive me in Your ways.
38 Establish Your word to Your servant
As that which produces reverence for You.
39 Take away my disgrace which I dread,
For Your judgments are good.
40 Behold, I long for Your precepts;

Revive me through Your righteousness.

41 May Your favor also come to me, Lord,
Your salvation according to Your word;

42 So that I will have an answer for one who taunts me,
For I trust in Your word.

43 And do not take the word of truth utterly out of my mouth,
For I wait for Your judgments.

44 So I will keep Your Law continually,
Forever and ever.

45 And I will walk at liberty,
For I seek Your precepts.

46 I will also speak of Your testimonies before kings
And shall not be ashamed.

47 I will delight in Your commandments,
Which I love.

48 And I shall lift up my hands to Your commandments,
Which I love;
And I will meditate on Your statutes.

49 Remember the word to Your servant,
In which You have made me hope.

50 This is my comfort in my misery,
That Your word has revived me.

51 The arrogant utterly deride me,
Yet I do not turn aside from Your Law.

52 I have remembered Your judgments from of old, Lord,
And comfort myself.

53 Burning indignation has seized me because of the wicked,
Who abandon Your Law.

54 Your statutes are my songs
In the house of my pilgrimage.

55 Lord, I remember Your name in the night,
And keep Your Law.

56 This has become mine,
That I comply with Your precepts.

57 The Lord is my portion;
I have promised to keep Your words.

58 I sought Your favor with all my heart;
Be gracious to me according to Your word.

59 I considered my ways
And turned my feet to Your testimonies.

60 I hurried and did not delay
To keep Your commandments.
61 The snares of the wicked have surrounded me,
But I have not forgotten Your Law.
62 At midnight I will rise to give thanks to You
Because of Your righteous judgments.
63 I am a companion to all those who fear You,
And to those who keep Your precepts.
64 The earth is full of Your goodness, Lord;
Teach me Your statutes.

65 You have treated Your servant well,
Lord, according to Your word.
66 Teach me good discernment and knowledge,
For I believe in Your commandments.
67 Before I was afflicted I went astray,
But now I keep Your word.
68 You are good and You do good;
Teach me Your statutes.
69 The arrogant have forged a lie against me;
With all my heart I will comply with Your precepts.
70 Their heart is insensitive, like fat,
But I delight in Your Law.
71 It is good for me that I was afflicted,
So that I may learn Your statutes.
72 The Law of Your mouth is better to me
Than thousands of gold and silver pieces.

73 Your hands made me and fashioned me;
Give me understanding, so that I may learn Your commandments.
74 May those who fear You see me and be glad,
Because I wait for Your word.
75 I know, Lord, that Your judgments are righteous,
And that You have afflicted me in faithfulness.
76 May Your favor comfort me,
According to Your word to Your servant.
77 May Your compassion come to me so that I may live,
For Your Law is my delight.
78 May the arrogant be put to shame, because they lead me astray with a lie;
But I shall meditate on Your precepts.
79 May those who fear You turn to me,
And those who know Your testimonies.
80 May my heart be blameless in Your statutes,

So that I will not be ashamed.

81 My soul languishes for Your salvation;
I wait for Your word.

82 My eyes fail with longing for Your word,
While I say, "When will You comfort me?"

83 Though I have become like a wineskin in the smoke,
I do not forget Your statutes.

84 How many are the days of Your servant?
When will You execute judgment on those who persecute me?

85 The arrogant have dug pits for me,
People who are not in accord with Your Law.

86 All Your commandments are faithful;
They have persecuted me with a lie; help me!

87 They almost destroyed me on earth,
But as for me, I did not abandon Your precepts.

88 Revive me according to Your faithfulness,
So that I may keep the testimony of Your mouth.

89 Forever, Lord,
Your word stands in heaven.

90 Your faithfulness continues throughout generations;
You established the earth, and it stands.

91 They stand this day by Your ordinances,
For all things are Your servants.

92 If Your Law had not been my delight,
Then I would have perished in my misery.

93 I will never forget Your precepts,
For by them You have revived me.

94 I am Yours, save me;
For I have sought Your precepts.

95 The wicked wait for me to destroy me;
I will diligently consider Your testimonies.

96 I have seen a limit to all perfection;
Your commandment is exceedingly broad.

97 How I love Your Law!
It is my meditation all the day.

98 Your commandments make me wiser than my enemies,
For they are ever mine.

99 I have more insight than all my teachers,
For Your testimonies are my meditation.

100 I understand more than those who are old,

Because I have complied with Your precepts.
101 I have restrained my feet from every evil way,
So that I may keep Your word.
102 I have not turned aside from Your judgments,
For You Yourself have taught me.
103 How sweet are Your words to my taste!
Yes, sweeter than honey to my mouth!
104 From Your precepts I get understanding;
Therefore I hate every false way.

105 Your word is a lamp to my feet
And a light to my path.
106 I have sworn and I will confirm it,
That I will keep Your righteous judgments.
107 I am exceedingly afflicted;
Revive me, Lord, according to Your word.
108 Be pleased to accept the voluntary offerings of my mouth, Lord,
And teach me Your judgments.
109 My life is continually in my hand,
Yet I do not forget Your Law.
110 The wicked have set a trap for me,
Yet I have not wandered from Your precepts.
111 I have inherited Your testimonies forever,
For they are the joy of my heart.
112 I have inclined my heart to perform Your statutes
Forever, even to the end.

113 I hate those who are double-minded,
But I love Your Law.
114 You are my hiding place and my shield;
I wait for Your word.
115 Leave me, you evildoers,
So that I may comply with the commandments of my God.
116 Sustain me according to Your word, that I may live;
And do not let me be ashamed of my hope.
117 Sustain me so that I may be safe,
That I may have regard for Your statutes continually.
118 You have rejected all those who stray from Your statutes,
For their deceitfulness is useless.
119 You have removed all the wicked of the earth like impurities;
Therefore I love Your testimonies.
120 My flesh trembles from the fear of You,
And I am afraid of Your judgments.

121 I have done justice and righteousness;
Do not leave me to my oppressors.
122 Be a guarantor for Your servant for good;
Do not let the arrogant oppress me.
123 My eyes fail with longing for Your salvation,
And for Your righteous word.
124 Deal with Your servant according to Your graciousness,
And teach me Your statutes.
125 I am Your servant; give me understanding,
So that I may know Your testimonies.
126 It is time for the Lord to act,
For they have broken Your Law.
127 Therefore I love Your commandments
Above gold, yes, above pure gold.
128 Therefore I carefully follow all Your precepts concerning everything,
I hate every false way.

129 Your testimonies are wonderful;
Therefore my soul complies with them.
130 The unfolding of Your words gives light;
It gives understanding to the simple.
131 I opened my mouth wide and panted,
For I longed for Your commandments.
132 Turn to me and be gracious to me,
As is right for those who love Your name.
133 Establish my footsteps in Your word,
And do not let any wrongdoing have power over me.
134 Redeem me from oppression by man,
So that I may keep Your precepts.
135 Make Your face shine upon Your servant,
And teach me Your statutes.
136 My eyes shed streams of water,
Because they do not keep Your Law.

137 You are righteous, Lord,
And Your judgments are right.
138 You have commanded Your testimonies in righteousness
And great faithfulness.
139 My zeal has consumed me,
Because my enemies have forgotten Your words.
140 Your word is very pure,
Therefore Your servant loves it.

141 I am small and despised,
Yet I do not forget Your precepts.
142 Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness,
And Your Law is truth.
143 Trouble and anguish have come upon me,
Yet Your commandments are my delight.
144 Your testimonies are righteous forever;
Give me understanding that I may live.

145 I cried out with all my heart; answer me, Lord!
I will comply with Your statutes.
146 I cried to You; save me
And I shall keep Your testimonies.
147 I rise before dawn and cry for help;
I wait for Your words.
148 My eyes anticipate the night watches,
So that I may meditate on Your word.
149 Hear my voice according to Your faithfulness;
Revive me, Lord, according to Your judgments.
150 Those who follow after wickedness approach;
They are far from Your Law.
151 You are near, Lord,
And all Your commandments are truth.
152 From long ago I have known from Your testimonies
That You have founded them forever.

153 Look at my affliction and rescue me,
For I have not forgotten Your Law.
154 Plead my cause and redeem me;
Revive me according to Your word.
155 Salvation is far from the wicked,
For they do not seek Your statutes.
156 Great are Your mercies, Lord;
Revive me according to Your judgments.
157 Many are my persecutors and my enemies,
Yet I do not turn aside from Your testimonies.
158 I see the treacherous and loathe them,
Because they do not keep Your word.
159 Consider how I love Your precepts;
Revive me, Lord, according to Your faithfulness.
160 The sum of Your word is truth,
And every one of Your righteous judgments is everlasting.

161 Rulers persecute me without cause,
But my heart stands in awe of Your words.

162 I rejoice at Your word,
Like one who finds great plunder.

163 I hate and loathe falsehood,
But I love Your Law.

164 Seven times a day I praise You
Because of Your righteous judgments.

165 Those who love Your Law have great peace,
And nothing causes them to stumble.

166 I hope for Your salvation, Lord,
And do Your commandments.

167 My soul keeps Your testimonies,
And I love them exceedingly.

168 I keep Your precepts and Your testimonies,
For all my ways are before You.

169 Let my cry come before You, Lord;
Give me understanding according to Your word.

170 Let my pleading come before You;
Save me according to Your word.

171 Let my lips pour out praise,
For You teach me Your statutes.

172 Let my tongue sing about Your word,
For all Your commandments are righteousness.

173 Let Your hand be ready to help me,
For I have chosen Your precepts.

174 I long for Your salvation, Lord,
And Your Law is my delight.

175 Let my soul live that it may praise You,
And let Your ordinances help me.

176 I have wandered about like a lost sheep; search for Your servant,
For I do not forget Your commandments.

Reflection on Psalm 119

Of all the verses and
all the words in Psalm 119,
what draws me in is its
wholeheartedness.

The psalmist is
wholehearted
in his love for God's Word.

I long for his
wholeheartedness.

In God's Word we see
God's wisdom,
His strength,
His holiness,
His constancy,
His love, and
so very much more.

In other words, what draws us to God's Word is
God Himself.

He is the wisdom.
He is the wonder.
He is the beauty.
He is the depth,
the mystery,
the unimaginable glory.

As we read the scriptures,
we think of Him;
we meditate on Him;
we hunger for Him.

He is the One we grow to love
wholeheartedly,
more and more and
more.

*You shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart and
with all your soul and
with all your might. (Deuteronomy 6:5, NASB)*

Hymn recording: [Psalm 119](#)

Psalm 119

ALT. TUNE: O Breath of Life (DET AR ETT FAST ORD)

♩ = 52

Unison

B \flat C F Gm7 $\frac{E}{A}$ B \flat $\frac{E_{sus}}{C}$ $\frac{C^6}{B\flat}$

1. When anx - ious thoughts in - vade and threat - en And shout a
 2. Tho' gold may bring its pass - ing com - forts And spin the
 3. Your Word is light and sweet per - fect - ion, A love - ly
 4. Make all I am a love whole - heart - ed, An in - ner

$\frac{Fadd^9}{A}$ F B \flat M7 B \flat 6 C sus C $\frac{B\flat}{C}$ F B \flat

fear I can't sub - due, You are the good that nev - er
 dreams that crowds pur - sue, I choose this rich, e - ter - nal
 song com - plete - ly true, A song of peace and life and
 pas - sion glow - ing through. Lord, as Your Word in - flames my

A m7 Dm Gm9 $\frac{E}{C}$ $\frac{Gm7}{C}$ F

chang - es. I drink Your Word. I feast on You.
 treas - ure: I choose the joy of know - ing You.
 beau - ty. I sing a - long. We sing of You.
 won - der, I o - pen wide. I pant for You.

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 MUSIC: Traditional Folk Tune and Ken Bible

PSALM 119
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Psalm 120

(NASB)

1 I cried to the Lord in my trouble,
And He answered me.

2 Rescue my soul, Lord, from lying lips,
From a deceitful tongue.

3 What will He give to you, and what more will He do to you,
You deceitful tongue?

4 Sharp arrows of the warrior,
With the burning coals of the broom tree!

5 Woe to me, for I reside in Meshech,
For I have settled among the tents of Kedar!

6 Too long has my soul had its dwelling
With those who hate peace.

7 I am for peace, but when I speak,
They are for war.

Reflection on Psalm 120

Holy, loving Father, You have called us out of
this evil place.

By Your mercy, we are now Your children,
loved,
forgiven,
cleansed, and
protected by You.

You have sealed us as
Your very own.

But since You have called us out,
we are now pilgrims traveling through
this hostile land.

We are strangers in this
unfriendly, unpeaceful place,

Daily we are threatened,
tempted, attacked, and
pursued by Your bitter enemy.

He does all he can to
deceive,
discourage, and
distract us from You.

Yet even here, even now,
You engulf us in Your presence.
You refresh us with Your joy.
You immerse us in Your peace, and
You arm us with Your truth.

Best of all, glorious God,
You are our destination.
You are bringing us
certainly and securely
to Yourself.

You have prepared a place for us, and
our arrival is imminent.

O Father, we are longing for You!

Hymn recording: [Psalm 120](#)

Psalm 120

Psalm 120; 1 Peter 1:1, 6-9; 2:11, 20-23; 4:14, 19

♩ = 100

Unison Dm Bb C C/G C Dm⁹ Dm Dm⁷/C BbM⁷ BbM⁷/F Gm⁷/Bb Gm⁷ Gm⁷/D Gm

1. God of truth and mer - cy, save us, Hurt, ha - rassed, op -
 2. God of peace, en - gulf - ing pres - ence, Shep - herd through this

A m A sus A m Dm Dm⁷/A Dm Dm⁷/C Bb Bb/A Gm⁷ C Dm⁹ Dm Dm⁷/C

pressed by lies, Tempt - ed, threat - ened, lured by e - vil
 hos - tile place, Great Re - deem - er gone be - fore us,

BbM⁷ Bbm⁷/F Gm⁷/Bb F/A F/A Bb⁶ Bb Bb⁶ A sus A F F/C F A m Am/E A m

Dressed in pleas - ure's sweet dis - guise. See Your chil - dren,
 How we yearn to see Your face! Wea - ry, need - y,

Bb Bb/F Bb Dm Dm⁷/C C#^{o7}/A⁷ C#^o C#^o Dm Dm⁷/C Gm⁷/Bb Bb Gm⁷/Bb A sus A Dm Dm⁷/C Bb Bb/A Gm⁷

all Your own, Here where sin seems so strong. We are pil - grims
 near - ing home - Just a - head, now in view - We are pil - grims

WORDS: Ken Bible
 MUSIC: William S. Turner (1850) and Ken Bible

MONROE 2
 8.7.8.7.7.6.8.7.

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Dm⁹ $\frac{Dm}{A}$ Dm Gm Gm⁹ Gm $\frac{Dm}{A}$ $\frac{Dm^{11}}{A}$ $\frac{Dm}{A}$ Am⁷ A⁷_{sus} Am⁷ Dm

on a jour - ney, Stran - gers where we don't be - long.
 on a jour - ney. O what joy, we come to You!

Psalm 121

(NASB)

1 I will raise my eyes to the mountains;
From where will my help come?

2 My help comes from the Lord,
Who made heaven and earth.

3 He will not allow your foot to slip;
He who watches over you will not slumber.

4 Behold, He who watches over Israel
Will neither slumber nor sleep.

5 The Lord is your protector;
The Lord is your shade on your right hand.

6 The sun will not beat down on you by day,
Nor the moon by night.

7 The Lord will protect you from all evil;
He will keep your soul.

8 The Lord will guard your going out and your coming in
From this time and forever.

Reflection on Psalm 121

O Father, this world through which I journey often seems so
hostile and
threatening.

But when I look,
I see Your faithful care displayed all around me.
When I listen,
I am engulfed by songs of Your unfailing goodness.

Your care is constant,
personal, and
complete.

You never sleep.
You are never inattentive,
never unaware,
never uncaring.

No enemy can threaten Your power.
No problem taxes Your wisdom.
No concern is too small for Your love.

You guard us against the known and
the unknown.
You shelter us
from dangers that stare us in the face and
from deadly perils of which we are blissfully unaware.

Day and night,
working and resting,
going and coming,
laughing and weeping,
we are in Your hand.

Creator,
Sustainer,
Savior,
Shepherd,
our Father,
now and forever
we are secure and at peace in You.

Hymn recording: [Psalm 121](#)

Psalm 121

TUNE: O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee (MARYTON)

♩ = 96 D DM7 G/D D Em/G E/G# A A Bm7 A7/C#

1. Lift up your eyes. Look all a - round. Drink in God's
 2. Thro' ev - 'ry need His good - ness flows. O what a
 3. No threat, no force, no fear with - stands Al - might - y,
 4. O Ho - ly God, Cre - a - tor, Lord, E - ter - nal,

D Bm7 E9 C#m/E E7 A A/G Em/G A/G D/F# DM7/F#

rich, whole - heart - ed love! Scenes of His faith - ful
 love that nev - er sleeps! Thro' ev - 'ry grief, He
 all - em - brac - ing care. Noth - ing can harm us
 sov - 'reign, right, and true, Pow - er and wis - dom

G D/F# A7sus/E A7/E D A7 Bm A7/C# D Em/G Em A7 D

care a - bound And draw our need - y hearts a - bove.
 feels, He knows, He shapes and leads, He guards and keeps.
 in His hands Or catch our Fa - ther un - a - ware.
 un - ex - plored, We go, we come, we rest in You.

WORDS: Ken Bible
 MUSIC: H. Percy Smith (1825-1898)

MARYTON
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Psalm 122

(NASB)

1 I was glad when they said to me,
“Let’s go to the house of the Lord.”
2 Our feet are standing
Within your gates, Jerusalem,
3 Jerusalem, that has been built
As a city that is firmly joined together;
4 To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord—
An ordinance for Israel—
To give thanks to the name of the Lord.
5 For thrones were set there for judgment,
The thrones of the house of David.

6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
“May they prosper who love you.
7 May peace be within your walls,
And prosperity within your palaces.”
8 For the sake of my brothers and my friends,
I will now say, “May peace be within you.”
9 For the sake of the house of the Lord our God,
I will seek your good.

Reflection on Psalm 122

O Lord God,
from the sinful world in which we live,
with the concerns of daily life still clinging to us,
we come to You.
We come gladly, and
we come together.

Father, we love you and
long to live in full response to You.
So what could be more joyful than to
gather in Your magnificent presence
with others who know You,
trust You, and
share our passion for You!

Father, help us to come with all our faculties
ready and
focused on You,
prepared to listen,
to serve, to sing,
to pray, and
to drink in all that Your Spirit has for us.

We gather, not just as a small local group,
but as part of Your Church universal, spanning
heaven and earth and
all peoples and cultures.

In You we are all one.
In You we are holy.
In You we are
Your Body and
Your glorious Bride.

Here, today, in You
we glimpse the day when
“on earth as it is in heaven” is
no longer a prayer,
but a full and everlasting reality.

Hymn recording: [Psalm 122](#)

Psalm 122

TUNE: O Thou That Tellest Good Tidings to Zion (adapted)

♩ = 126

Unison C F C^{7sus} C⁷ B^{badd}_D⁹ C⁷ F F^{sus} F E_C C

1. With joy, with glad - ness we gath - er be - fore You, O
 2. We come to - geth - er, Your peo - ple, Your fam - 'ly, O
 3. Your peace, Your pres - ence, Your glo - ry, Your king - dom, O

D_m D_m C_C B_b F E_C F B_b G_m C A_m

Lord, our Lord! With prayer and with prais - es, with
 Lord, our Lord! Your tem - ple, Your branch - es, Your
 Lord, our Lord! Be - liev - ing, o - bey - ing, we

D_m G_m⁷ C^{sus} C F E_C F C⁷ F E_C F

si - lence and song, O Lord, our Lord! Pre -
 Bod - y, Your Bride, O Lord, our Lord! To
 watch and we wait, O Lord, our Lord! Come

B_b F C^{sus} C^{sus} C F B_b C^{sus} C C⁷ F

pared and ex - pect - ing, we come As in heav - en, so on earth.
 bow and to lis - ten and serve As in heav - en, so on earth.
 down in Your full - ness, O God, As in heav - en, so on earth!

WORDS: Ken Bible

MUSIC: George Frederick Handel (1685-1759) and Ken Bible

O THOU THAT TELLEST

11.4.11.4.8.7.

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Psalm 123

(NASB)

1 To You I have raised my eyes,
You who are enthroned in the heavens!
2 Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master,
As the eyes of a female servant to the hand of her mistress,
So our eyes look to the Lord our God,
Until He is gracious to us.

3 Be gracious to us, Lord, be gracious to us,
For we have had much more than enough of contempt.
4 Our soul has had much more than enough
Of the scoffing of those who are at ease,
And with the contempt of the proud.

Reflection on Psalm 123

Father, we are completely encased in
deep,
profound, and
inescapable need.

You, Lord.
You alone are the source of
all that we lack and
all that we crave.

What can we do?
What can we do, God, but
look to You and
calmly wait on You?

Hymn recording: [Psalm 123](#)

Psalm 123

♩ = 92

Unison F $\frac{F}{A}$ B \flat $\frac{Dm7}{A}$ $\frac{F}{A}$ Gm E \flat $\frac{B\flat}{D}$ E \flat ⁹ Cm⁷ F⁷ F⁹

1. We look to You, Al - might - y, ho - ly God. All help - less, bound in
 2. We look to You, O pure and per - fect Light. We hun - ger for Your
 3. We look to You And hun - ger for Your will. Our heart's de - sire is

B \flat $\frac{Dm}{A}$ Gm E \flat ⁶ D E \flat M⁷E \flat Cm⁷ F F⁷ B \flat sus $\frac{B\flat}{F}$ sus B \flat

deep and ut - ter need, We wait on You.
 word. O Fa - ther, speak! We wait on You.
 on - ly to o - bey. We wait on You.

WORDS & MUSIC: Ken Bible

PSALM 123
4.6.10.4.

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Psalm 124

(NASB)

1 "Had it not been the Lord who was on our side,"
Let Israel say,
2 "Had it not been the Lord who was on our side
When people rose up against us,
3 Then they would have swallowed us alive,
When their anger was kindled against us;
4 Then the waters would have flooded over us,
The stream would have swept over our souls;
5 Then the raging waters would have swept over our souls."

6 Blessed be the Lord,
Who has not given us to be torn by their teeth.
7 Our souls have escaped like a bird from the trapper's snare;
The snare is broken and we have escaped.
8 Our help is in the name of the Lord,
Who made heaven and earth.

Reflection on Psalm 124

Sovereign God is for us.

Otherwise sin and death would have
swallowed us whole,
as a voracious beast would
gulp down
a tiny, helpless creature.

This evil world would have
swept in like a typhoon and
swamped us.
Its raging winds and mountainous waves
would have buried us forever in
the murky depths.

The master tempter would have easily trapped us in our
weakness,
ignorance, and
selfishness.
His teeth would have
torn our fragile flesh and
crushed the life from us.

But Sovereign God is for us.
The Almighty One,
the Lord of all the heavenly armies, is
our Creator,
our Keeper,
our Deliverer,
our Father.

He claims us as
His very own
and places His own Magnificent Being between
us and
anything that would threaten us.

His power is absolute.
His love is unconditional.
He overwhelms every enemy in heaven and earth.

Our life is
His life,
untouchable,

indestructible,
pulsing forever within us.
As long as He is our Lord,
our eternal safety is absolutely certain.

Praise to You!
Praise to You,
Almighty Lord and Savior!

Hymn recording: [Psalm 124](#)

Psalm 124

TUNE: Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty (NICAEA)

Psalm 124; Romans 8:31

♩ = 72

Em⁹ Em GM⁷ G⁶ E sus Em D sus D Bm⁹ Bm DM⁷ D⁶ B sus Bm A sus A

Intro. optional on vv. 2-3

D Bm A sus Bm⁷ $\frac{A}{C\#}$ D sus D G $\frac{G}{E}$ $\frac{G}{F\#}$ G $\frac{Em^7}{G}$ Em⁷ $\frac{Em^6}{F\#}$ $\frac{Em^6}{G}$

1. Sov-'reign God is for us. He a-lone can
 2. Sov-'reign God is for us. Who can stand a-
 3. Sov-'reign God, our Sav-ior, Shep-herd, Friend, and

$\frac{D}{F\#}$ $\frac{D}{A}$ D $\frac{D}{C\#}$ $\frac{A sus}{B}$ A $\frac{Em^{11}}{G}$ $\frac{D}{F\#}$ Bm $\frac{E^7 sus}{B}$ $\frac{E^7}{B}$ $\frac{A}{C\#}$ D

save us. Death, with all its bru-tal strength, Would
 gainst us? All cre-a-tion poured from Him Em-
 Fa-ther, Might-y War-rior, Sun and Shield, The

WORDS: Ken Bible
 MUSIC: John B. Dykes (1823-1876); arr. by Ken Bible

NICAEA
 6.6.7.6.6.6.5.5.

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A C# A E7sus E7 A sus E A Bm7 A Gadd9 A C# D Bm

swal - low us a - live. Waves of sin would
 pow - ered by His word. Emp - ti - ness and
 fire of ev - 'ry star, Wor - ship, thanks, and

A A sus A D sus D G G E G Em7 Em7 Em6 Em6 D D D D Bm D D

swamp us, E - vil o - ver - whelm us, Fling - ing us
 dark - ness Van - ish in His glo - ry. Al - might - y
 hon - or Rise from us, Your peo - ple, Safe here in

Em7 G Bm Bm A Em7 G6 A G 1,2 3

down where Fear and sor - row thrive.
 love is Felt and seen and heard!
 You, at Peace in all You are.

Psalm 125

(NASB)

- 1 Those who trust in the Lord
Are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved but remains forever.
- 2 As the mountains surround Jerusalem,
So the Lord surrounds His people
From this time and forever.
- 3 For the scepter of wickedness will not rest upon the land of the righteous,
So that the righteous will not extend their hands to do wrong.

- 4 Do good, Lord, to those who are good
And to those who are upright in their hearts.
- 5 But as for those who turn aside to their crooked ways,
The Lord will lead them away with those who practice injustice.
Peace be upon Israel.

Reflection on Psalm 125

Sometimes I feel I am
surrounded by problems,
gripped by struggle,
crippled by my own weakness.

But in truth, Father, I am
surrounded by Your everlasting arms,
gripped by Your unfailing love,
empowered by Your sovereign might.

Whether or not I am self-confident,
help me to be confident in You.
I want to see every situation in the light of
Your presence,
Your power, and
Your love.

Problems cannot last.
You are Sovereign King of all reality.
Struggle cannot last.
You are Almighty God
Darkness will disappear forever, for
You are Everlasting Light.

O my Father,
I live and move and exist
in You!

Hymn recording: [Psalm 125](#)

Psalm 125

♩ = 60 *Unison*

D GM7 $\frac{D}{A}$ $A\sharp^{\circ 7}$ Bm G F#m GM7

1. Look be - yond the tem - po - rar - y. Rise a - bove your
 2. Lift your eyes of faith and see Him Here, as e - vil
 3. Dark - ness dies when comes the morn - ing. Sin and death can -
 4. God is good. O what a Fa - ther! Trust - ing Him is

$\frac{D}{F\sharp}$ GM7 A sus A G $\frac{G}{B}$ $\frac{E_m}{C\sharp}$ D $\frac{A^9}{E}$ $\frac{D}{F\sharp}$

fear and pain. Breathe the ev - er - last - ing King - dom.
 threat - ens harm. All His pow'r and love sur - round you.
 not en - dure. He is light for - ev - er shin - ing.
 full re - lease. He is here a - mong His peo - ple,

F#m $\frac{E_m}{G}$ $\frac{E_m}{A}$ $\frac{G}{A}$ Bm $\frac{B_m}{A}$ G Em7 $\frac{E_m}{A}$ D

Walk in God's e - ter - nal reign. Rest in God's e - ter - nal reign.
 Feel His ev - er - last - ing arms. Trust His ev - er - last - ing arms.
 Ev - 'ry step in Him is sure. Life in Him is safe and sure.
 Breath - ing life and joy and peace, Life and joy and end - less peace.