

## Into Your Hand I Commit My Spirit (c. 1022 – c. 969t BC)

## Psalm 31

To the chief Musician,

**A Psalm of David.**

- 1 In thee, O LORD, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in thy righteousness.
- 2 Bow down thine ear to me; deliver me speedily: be thou my strong rock, for an house of defense to save me.
- 3 For thou *art* my rock and my fortress; therefore for thy name's sake lead me, and guide me.
- 4 Pull me out of the net that they have laid privily for me: for thou *art* my strength.
- 5 Into thine hand I commit my spirit: [[Luke 23:46](#)] thou hast redeemed me, O LORD God of truth.
- 6 I have hated them that regard lying vanities: but I trust in the LORD. [[Jonah 2:8](#)]
- 7 I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy: for thou hast considered my trouble; thou hast known my soul in adversities;
- 8 And hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy: thou hast set my feet in a large room.
- 9 Have mercy upon me, O LORD, for I am in trouble: mine eye is consumed with grief, *yea*, my soul and my belly.
- 10 For my life is spent with grief, and my years with sighing: my strength faileth because of mine iniquity, and my bones are consumed.
- 11 I was a reproach among all mine enemies, but especially among my neighbors, and a fear to mine acquaintance: they that did see me without fled from me.
- 12 I am forgotten as a dead man out of mind: I am like a broken vessel.
- 13 For I have heard the slander of many: fear *was* on every side: while they took counsel together against me, they devised to take away my life. [[Jer 20:10](#)]
- 14 But I trusted in thee, O LORD: I said, Thou *art* my God.
- 15 My times *are* in thy hand: deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me.
- 16 Make thy face to shine upon thy servant: save me for thy mercies' sake.
- 17 Let me not be ashamed, O LORD; for I have called upon thee: let the wicked be ashamed, *and* let them be silent in the grave.
- 18 Let the lying lips be put to silence; which speak grievous things proudly and contemptuously against the righteous.
- 19 *Oh* how great *is* thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee; *which* thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men!
- 20 Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy presence from the pride of man: thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues.
- 21 Blessed *be* the LORD: for he hath shewed me his marvelous kindness in a strong city.
- 22 For I said in my haste, I am cut off from before thine eyes: nevertheless thou heardest the voice of my supplications when I cried unto thee.
- 23 O love the LORD, all ye his saints: *for* the LORD preserveth the faithful, and plentifully rewardeth the proud doer.
- 24 Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the LORD.

## Great Is the LORD (c. 1022 – c. 969t BC)

## Psalm 35

**A Psalm of David.**

- 1 Plead *my cause*, O LORD, with them that strive with me: fight against them that fight against me.
- 2 Take hold of shield and buckler, and stand up for mine help.
- 3 Draw out also the spear, and stop *the way* against them that persecute me: say unto my soul, I *am* thy salvation.
- 4 Let them be confounded and put to shame that seek after my soul: let them be turned back and brought to confusion that devise my hurt.
- 5 Let them be as chaff before the wind: and let the angel of the LORD chase *them*.
- 6 Let their way be dark and slippery: and let the angel of the LORD persecute them.
- 7 For without cause have they hid for me their net *in* a pit, *which* without cause they have digged for my soul.
- 8 Let destruction come upon him at unawares; and let his net that he hath hid catch himself: into that very destruction let him fall.
- 9 And my soul shall be joyful in the LORD: it shall rejoice in his salvation.
- 10 All my bones shall say, LORD, who *is* like unto thee, which deliverest the poor from him that is too strong for him, *yea*, the poor and the needy from him that spoileth him?
- 11 False witnesses did rise up; they laid to my charge *things* that I knew not.
- 12 They rewarded me evil for good *to* the spoiling of my soul.
- 13 But as for me, when they were sick, my clothing *was* sackcloth: I humbled my soul with fasting; and my prayer returned into mine own bosom.
- 14 I behaved myself as though *he had been* my friend *or* brother: I bowed down heavily, as one that mourneth *for his* mother.
- 15 But in mine adversity they rejoiced, and gathered themselves together: *yea*, the objects gathered themselves together against me, and I knew *it* not; they did tear *me*, and ceased not:

16 With hypocritical mockers in feasts, they gnashed upon me with their teeth.  
 17 Lord, how long wilt thou look on? rescue my soul from their destructions, my darling from the lions.  
 18 I will give thee thanks in the great congregation: I will praise thee among much people.  
 19 Let not them that are mine enemies wrongfully rejoice over me: *neither* let them wink with the eye that hate me without a cause. [[John 15:24–25](#)]  
 20 For they speak not peace: but they devise deceitful matters against *them that are* quiet in the land.  
 21 Yea, they opened their mouth wide against me, *and* said, Aha, aha, our eye hath seen *it*.  
 22 *This* thou hast seen, O LORD: keep not silence: O Lord, be not far from me.  
 23 Stir up thyself, and awake to my judgment, *even* unto my cause, my God and my Lord.  
 24 Judge me, O LORD my God, according to thy righteousness; and let them not rejoice over me.  
 25 Let them not say in their hearts, Ah, so would we have it: let them not say, We have swallowed him up.  
 26 Let them be ashamed and brought to confusion together that rejoice at mine hurt: let them be clothed with shame and dishonor that magnify *themselves* against me.  
 27 Let them shout for joy, and be glad, that favour my righteous cause: yea, let them say continually, Let the LORD be magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.  
 28 And my tongue shall speak of thy righteousness *and* of thy praise all the day long.

### How Precious Is Your Steadfast Love (c. 1022 – c. 969t BC)

Psalm 36

*To the chief Musician,*

**A Psalm of David the servant of the LORD.**

1 The transgression of the wicked saith within my heart, *that there is* no fear of God before his eyes. [[Rom 3:18](#)]  
 2 For he flattereth himself in his own eyes, until his iniquity be found to be hateful.  
 3 The words of his mouth *are* iniquity and deceit: he hath left off to be wise, *and* to do good.  
 4 He deviseth mischief upon his bed; he setteth himself in a way *that is* not good; he abhorreth not evil.  
 5 Thy mercy, O LORD, *is* in the heavens; *and* thy faithfulness *reacheth* unto the clouds.  
 6 Thy righteousness *is* like the great mountains; thy judgments *are* a great deep: O LORD, thou preservest man and beast.  
 7 How excellent *is* thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.  
 8 They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house; and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures.  
 9 For with thee *is* the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see light.  
 10 O continue thy lovingkindness unto them that know thee; and thy righteousness to the upright in heart.  
 11 Let not the foot of pride come against me, and let not the hand of the wicked remove me.  
 12 There are the workers of iniquity fallen: they are cast down, and shall not be able to rise.

### He Will Not Forsake His Saints (c. 1022 – c. 969t BC)

Psalm 37

**A Psalm of David.**

1 Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.  
 2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb.  
 3 Trust in the LORD, and do good; *so* shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.  
 4 Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.  
 5 Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring *it* to pass.  
 6 And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday.  
 7 Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.  
 8 Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.  
 9 For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the LORD, they shall inherit the earth.  
 10 For yet a little while, and the wicked *shall* not *be*: yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it *shall* not *be*.  
 11 But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.  
 12 The wicked plotteth against the just, and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.  
 13 The Lord shall laugh at him: for he seeth that his day is coming.  
 14 The wicked have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow, to cast down the poor and needy, *and* to slay such as be of upright conversation.  
 15 Their sword shall enter into their own heart, and their bows shall be broken.  
 16 A little that a righteous man hath *is* better than the riches of many wicked.  
 17 For the arms of the wicked shall be broken: but the LORD upholdeth the righteous.

18 The LORD knoweth the days of the upright: and their inheritance shall be for ever.  
19 They shall not be ashamed in the evil time: and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied.  
20 But the wicked shall perish, and the enemies of the LORD *shall be* as the fat of lambs: they shall consume; into smoke shall they consume away.  
21 The wicked borroweth, and payeth not again: but the righteous sheweth mercy, and giveth.  
22 For *such as be* blessed of him shall inherit the earth; and *they that be* cursed of him shall be cut off.  
23 The steps of a *good* man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way.  
24 Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the LORD upholdeth *him with* his hand.  
25 I have been young, and *now* am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.  
26 *He is* ever merciful, and lendeth; and his seed *is* blessed.  
27 Depart from evil, and do good; and dwell for evermore.  
28 For the LORD loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved for ever: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.  
29 The righteous shall inherit the land, and dwell therein for ever.  
30 The mouth of the righteous speaketh wisdom, and his tongue talketh of judgment.  
31 The law of his God *is* in his heart; none of his steps shall slide.  
32 The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seeketh to slay him.  
33 The LORD will not leave him in his hand, nor condemn him when he is judged.  
34 Wait on the LORD, and keep his way, and he shall exalt thee to inherit the land: when the wicked are cut off, thou shalt see *it*.  
35 I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree.  
36 Yet he passed away, and, lo, he *was* not: yea, I sought him, but he could not be found.  
37 Mark the perfect *man*, and behold the upright: for the end of *that* man *is* peace.  
38 But the transgressors shall be destroyed together: the end of the wicked shall be cut off.  
39 But the salvation of the righteous *is* of the LORD: *he is* their strength in the time of trouble.  
40 And the LORD shall help them, and deliver them: he shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in him.

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