

Sing to the LORD, All the Earth (c. 998 BC)

| Psalm 96 | 1 Chronicles 16:23–33 |
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| 1 Sing to Yahweh a new song; sing to Yahweh, all the earth. | 23 Sing to Yahweh, all the earth! |
| 2 Sing to Yahweh; bless his name. Announce his salvation from day to day. | Proclaim his salvation from day to day! |
| 3 Tell his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples. | 24 Proclaim his glory among the nations, his wondrous works among the peoples! |
| 4 For Yahweh <i>is</i> great and very worthy of praise; he <i>is to be</i> feared above all gods. | 25 For Yahweh <i>is</i> great and greatly praised, and he is feared among all gods. |
| 5 For all the gods of the peoples <i>are</i> idols, but Yahweh made <i>the</i> heavens. | 26 For all the gods of the nations <i>are</i> idols, but Yahweh made the heavens. |
| 6 Splendor and majesty <i>are</i> before him; strength and beauty <i>are</i> in his sanctuary. | 27 Splendor and majesty <i>are</i> before him; strength and joy <i>are</i> in his place. |
| 7 Ascribe to Yahweh, you families of <i>the</i> peoples, ascribe to Yahweh glory and strength. | 28 Ascribe to Yahweh, O clans of the nations, ascribe to Yahweh glory and strength! |
| 8 Ascribe to Yahweh the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts. | 29 Ascribe to Yahweh the glory of his name! Lift up an offering and come before him! |
| 9 Worship Yahweh in holy array; tremble before him, all the earth. | 30 Tremble before him, all the earth; surely the world shall not be shaken. |
| 10 Say among the nations, "Yahweh is king! Yes, <i>the</i> world is established <i>so that</i> it will not be moved. He will judge <i>the</i> peoples fairly." | 31 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad, and let them tell the peoples, "Yahweh reigns!" |
| 11 Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice. Let the sea with its fullness roar. | 32 Let the sea roar and its fullness; let the field rejoice and all that <i>is</i> in it. |
| 12 Let <i>the</i> field with all that <i>is</i> in it exult. Then all <i>the</i> trees of <i>the</i> forests will sing for joy | 33 Then the trees of the forest shall sing for joy before Yahweh, for he comes to judge the earth. |
| 13 before Yahweh, for he is coming; for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge <i>the</i> world with righteousness, and <i>the</i> peoples with his faithfulness. | |

Give Thanks to the LORD, for He Is Good (c. 998 BC)

| Psalm 106 | 1 Chronicles 16:34–36 |
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| 1 Praise Yah. Give thanks to Yahweh, for <i>he is</i> good, for his loyal love <i>is</i> forever. | 34 Oh give thanks to Yahweh, for he <i>is</i> good; his loyal love <i>is</i> everlasting. |
| 2 Who can utter the mighty deeds of Yahweh, <i>or</i> proclaim all his praise? | |
| 3 Blessed are <i>those who</i> observe justice, <i>he who</i> does righteousness at all times. | |
| 4 Remember me, O Yahweh, when <i>you show</i> favor to your people. Look after me when you deliver, | |
| 5 that <i>I</i> may see the good <i>done</i> your chosen ones, to be glad in the joy of your nation, to glory together with your inheritance. | |
| 6 We have sinned <i>along</i> with our ancestors. We have committed iniquity; we have incurred guilt. | |
| 7 Our ancestors in Egypt did not understand your wonderful works. They did not remember your many acts of loyal love, and <i>so</i> they rebelled by <i>the</i> sea at the Red Sea. | |
| 8 Yet he saved them for the sake of his name, to make known his might. | |
| 9 So he rebuked the Red Sea, and it dried up, and he led them through the deep as <i>through</i> a desert. | |
| 10 Thus he saved them from <i>the</i> hand of <i>the</i> hater | |

and redeemed them from *the* hand of *the* enemy.
11 But waters covered their adversaries;
not one of them survived.
12 Then they believed his words;
they sang his praise.
13 They quickly forgot his works;
they did not wait for his counsel.
14 And they craved intensely in the wilderness,
and tested God in *the* desert.
15 So he gave to them their request,
but he sent leanness into their souls.
16 And they were jealous of Moses in the camp,
and of Aaron, the holy one of Yahweh.
17 *The* earth opened and swallowed up Dathan,
and it covered over the gang of Abiram.
18 Also fire burned in their assembly;
the flame devoured *the* wicked.
19 They made a calf at Horeb
and bowed down to a cast image.
20 And *so* they exchanged their glory
for an 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,
awesome deeds by the Red Sea.
23 So he said he would exterminate them,
had not Moses, his chosen one,
stood in the breach before him,
to reverse his wrath from destroying *them*.
24 Then they refused the desirable land;
they did not believe his word,
25 but grumbled in their tents.
They did not obey the voice of Yahweh.
26 So he made an oath against them,
to make them drop in the wilderness,
27 and to disperse their descendants among the nations
and to scatter them among the lands.
28 They also attached themselves to Baal of Peor,
and they ate sacrifices offered to *the* dead.
29 Thus they provoked to anger by their deeds,
and a plague broke out among them.
30 Then Phinehas stood up and intervened,
and *so* the plague was stopped,
31 and it was reckoned to him as righteousness
throughout all generations.
32 They also angered *God* at the waters of Meribah,
and it went badly for Moses on account of them,
33 because they rebelled against his Spirit,
and he spoke thoughtlessly with his lips.
34 They did not exterminate the peoples,
as Yahweh had commanded them,
35 but they mingled with the nations
and learned their works,
36 and served their idols,
which became a snare to them.
37 They even sacrificed their sons and daughters
to the demons,
38 and they poured out innocent blood,

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| <p>the blood of their sons and daughters, whom they sacrificed to the idols of Canaan, and so the land was defiled with the blood.</p> <p>39 And they became unclean by their works, and were unfaithful in their deeds.</p> <p>40 So Yahweh's anger burned against his people, and he abhorred his inheritance.</p> <p>41 Then he gave them into <i>the</i> hand of <i>the</i> nations, and those who hated them ruled over them.</p> <p>42 And their enemies oppressed them, and they were subdued under their hand.</p> <p>43 Many times he delivered them, but they rebelled in their counsel, and were brought low by their iniquity.</p> <p>44 Yet he looked upon their distress when he heard their cry.</p> <p>45 And he remembered his covenant with them, and relented based on the abundance of his loyal love.</p> <p>46 And he let them find compassion before all their captors.</p> | |
| <p>47 Save us, O Yahweh our God, and gather us from the nations, so that <i>we may</i> give thanks to your holy name <i>and</i> boast in your praise.</p> <p>48 Blessed <i>is</i> Yahweh, the God of Israel, from everlasting and to everlasting. And let all the people say, "Amen!" Praise Yah.</p> | <p>35 Then say, "Save us, O God of our salvation; gather us and rescue us from the nations that <i>we may</i> give thanks to your holy name <i>and</i> glory in your praise.</p> <p>36 Blessed be Yahweh the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!" Then all the people said, "Amen!" and praised Yahweh.</p> |

Arrangements for Regular Worship at Jerusalem (c. 998 BC)

1 Chronicles 6:31–49; 16:37–42

Asaph Cares for the Ark in Jerusalem

16:37 So he left Asaph and his brothers there before the ark of the covenant of Yahweh to minister before the ark regularly as each day required,

38 and *he left* Obed-Edom with his sixty-eight brothers. And Obed-Edom, the son of Jeduthun, and Hosah *were* gatekeepers.

Zadok Cares for the Tabernacle at Gibeon

39 And *he left* Zadok the priest and his brothers the priests before the tabernacle of Yahweh at the high place which *was* at Gibeon
40 to offer burnt offerings regularly to Yahweh on the altar of burnt offering, morning and evening, according to all that was written in the law of Yahweh that he commanded concerning Israel.

David's Music Ministers

41 And with them *were* Heman and Jeduthun and the remainder of those chosen, who were designated by name to give thanks to Yahweh, for his loyal love *is* everlasting.

42 And Heman and Jeduthun with them *had* trumpets and cymbals for making music, along with instruments for the song of God. And the sons of Jeduthun *were* at the gate.

Ancestry of David's Music Ministers

6:31 Now these *are the men* whom David appointed for control of singing in the house of Yahweh where the ark rested.

32 They were ministering with song before the tabernacle of the tent of assembly until Solomon built the temple of Yahweh in Jerusalem. And they stood according to their order with respect to their duty.

33 Now these *are* those who served and their sons. Of the sons of the Kohathites: Heman the singer, the son of Joel, son of Samuel,

34 son of Elkanah, son of Jeroham, son of Eliel, son of Toah,

35 son of Zuph, son of Elkanah, son of Mahath, son of Amasai,

36 son of Elkanah, son of Joel, son of Azariah, son of Zephaniah,

37 son of Tahath, son of Assir, son of Ebiasaph, son of Korah,

38 son of Izhar, son of Kohath, son of Levi, son of Israel;

39 and his brother Asaph, who stood on his right *namely*, Asaph the son of Berechiah, son of Shimea,

40 son of Michael, son of Baaseiah, son of Malkijah,
 41 son of Ethni, son of Zerah, son of Adaiah,
 42 son of Ethan, son of Zimmah, son of Shimei,
 43 son of Jahath, son of Gershom, son of Levi.
 44 On the left were their brothers, the sons of Merari: Ethan the son of Kishi, son of Abdi, son of Malluch,
 45 son of Hashabiah, son of Amaziah, son of Hilkiyah,
 46 son of Amzi, son of Bani, son of Shemer,
 47 son of Mahli, son of Mushi, son of Merari, son of Levi.

Distinction Between Levites and Priests Maintained

48 And their brothers the Levites were appointed for all the service of the tabernacle of the house of God.
 49 But Aaron and his sons made offerings on the altar of burnt offering and on the altar of incense for all the work of the most holy place, and to make atonement for Israel, according to all that Moses the servant of God had commanded.

Michal Accuses David of Acting Shamefully (c. 998 BC)

2 Samuel 6:19b–23

19b and all the people went each to his house.
 20 When David returned to bless his household, Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David. She said, “How the king of Israel honored himself today by uncovering himself before the eyes of the maids of his servants, as the total exposure of a worthless one.”
 21 So David said to Michal, “*In the presence of Yahweh who chose me over your father and over his household, to appoint me as leader over the people of Yahweh, over Israel, I have celebrated before Yahweh.*
 22 I will demean myself again more than this, and I will be abased in my eyes, but with the maids whom you mentioned, with them I will be honored.”
 23 So for Michal the daughter of Saul, she had no child until the day of her death.

1 Chronicles 16:43

43 Then all the people went each to his house, and David turned to bless his household.

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