The Law of the Lord Is Perfect (c. 1022 – c. 969t BC)

Psalm 19

For the music director.

A psalm of David.

- 1 The heavens *are* telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims the work of his hands.
- Every day they pour forth speech, and every night they tell knowledge.
- 3 There is no speech and there are no words; their sound is inaudible.
- 4 Yet in all the world their line goes out, and their words to the end of the world. [Rom 1:19–20; 10:17–18] In them he has pitched a tent for the sun,
- 5 and it *is* like a bridegroom

who comes out of his bridal chamber.

It is glad like a strong man

to run its course.

- 6 Its rising *is* from *one* end of the heavens and its circuit to the *other* end of them; and nothing *is* hidden from its heat.
- 7 The law of Yahweh is perfect, reviving life.
 The testimony of Yahweh is firm, making wise the simple.
- 8 The precepts of Yahweh *are* right, making *the* heart rejoice. The command of Yahweh *is* pure, enlightening *the* eyes.
- 9 The fear of Yahweh is pure, enduring forever.
 The ordinances of Yahweh are true; they are righteous altogether,
- 10 more desirable than gold, even much fine gold; and sweeter than honey, even honey *in the* comb.
- 11 Moreover, your servant *is* warned by them; in keeping them *is* great reward.
- 12 Who can perceive *his* errors?

Acquit me from hidden faults.

13 Also, keep back your servant from arrogant sins;

let them not rule over me.

Then I shall be blameless,

and I shall be innocent of great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your presence,O Yahweh, my rock and my redeemer.

Trust in the Name of the Lord Our God (c. 1022 – c. 969t BC)

Psalm 20

For the music director.

A psalm of David.

- May Yahweh answer you in the day of trouble. May the name of Jacob's God protect you.
- 2 May he send you help from *the* sanctuary, and from Zion may he sustain you.
- 3 May he remember all your offerings, and your burnt offering may he regard favorably. *Selah*
- 4 May he give to you your heart's desire, and your every plan may he fulfill.
- May we shout for joy over your victory, and in the name of our God may we set up banners. May Yahweh fulfill all your requests.
- 6 Now I know that Yahweh will help his anointed.

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He will answer him from his holy heaven with the victorious power of his right hand.

- 7 Some boast in chariots and others in horses, but we boast in the name of Yahweh, our God.
- 8 They will collapse and fall, and we will rise and stand firm.
- 9 Rescue, O Yahweh.

Let the king answer us when we call.

The King Rejoices in the Lord's Strength (c. 1022 - c. 969t BC)

Psalm 21

For the music director.

A psalm of David.

- 1 O Yahweh, *the* king will rejoice in your strength, and how greatly he will delight in your help.
- You have given him the desire of his heart, and have not withheld the request of his lips. *Selah*
- 3 For you meet him *with* blessings of good *things*. You set on his head a crown of fine gold.
- 4 He asked life from you; you gave *it* to him—length of days forever and ever.
- 5 His honor *is* great because of your help.
 Splendor and majesty you have bestowed upon him.
- 6 For you set *on* him blessings forever. You make him glad with *the* joy *of* your presence.
- 7 Because the king trusts Yahweh, and through the steadfast love of the Most High he shall not be moved.
- 8 Your hand will find all your enemies; your right hand will find those who hate you.
- You will make them like your fiery furnace at the time of your appearance. Yahweh will swallow them in his wrath and fire will consume them.
- 10 You will destroy their offspring from *the* earth, and their descendants from among *the* children of humankind.
- 11 Though they have plotted evil against you, though they have planned a scheme, they will not prevail.
- 12 For you will turn them to flight; you will aim *arrows* on your bowstrings at their faces.
- 13 Be exalted, O Yahweh, in your strength, and we sing and praise your power.

Why Have You Forsaken Me? [Messianic] (c. 1022 - c. 969t BC)

Psalm 22

For the music director; according to The Doe of the Dawn.

A psalm of David.

- My God, my God why have you forsaken me?
 Why are you far from helping me, far from the words of my groaning? [Matt 27:46; Mark 15:34]
- 2 O my God, I call by day and you do not answer, and by night but I have no rest.
- 3 Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.
- 4 Our ancestors trusted you; they trusted and you delivered them.

5 They cried to you and were saved;

they trusted you and were not ashamed.
But I am a worm and not a man,

scorned by humankind and despised by people.

7 All who see me mock me.

6

They open wide their lips;

they shake the head, saying: [Matt 27:39; Mark 15:29; Luke 23:35]

8 "He trusts Yahweh. Let him rescue him.

Let him deliver him because he delights in him." [Matt 27:43]

9 Yet you took me from the belly;

you made me trust while on my mother's breasts.

10 On you I was cast from *the* womb.

From my mother's belly you have been my God.

11 Do not be far from me

because trouble is near;

because there is no helper.

12 Many bulls have encircled me;

mighty bulls of Bashan have surrounded me.

13 They open their mouth against me

like a lion tearing and roaring.

and all my bones are out of joint.

My heart is like wax;

14 I am poured out like water,

it is melted within me.

15 My strength is dry like a potsherd,

and my tongue is sticking to my jaws;

and you have placed me in the dust of death.

16 Because dogs have surrounded me;

a gang of evildoers has encircled me.

Like the lion they are at my hands and my feet.

17 I can count all my bones;

they gaze, they look at me.

18 They divide my garments among them,

and for my clothing they cast lots. [John 19:24; Matt 27:35; Mark 15:24; Luke 23:34]

19 But you, O Yahweh, do not remain distant.

O my help, hasten to help me.

20 Rescue my life from the sword,

my only life from the power of the dogs.

21 Save me from the mouth of the lion,

and from the horns of the wild oxen answer me.

22 I will tell your name to my brothers;

inside the assembly I will praise you. [Hebrews 2:10-12]

23 You who revere Yahweh, praise him!

Glorify him, all you seed of Jacob,

and be in awe of him, all you seed of Israel,

24 because he has not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted,

and has not hid his face from him;

but he listened to him when he cried for help.

25 From you is my praise.

In the great assembly,

I will pay my vows before those who revere him.

26 The afflicted will eat and will be satisfied.

Those who seek him will praise Yahweh.

May your heart live forever.

27 All the ends of the earth

will remember and turn to Yahweh.

All the families of the nations

will worship before you.

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- Because the kingship belongs to Yahweh,
- and he rules over the nations.
- 29 All *the* healthy ones of *the* earth will eat and worship.
 - Before him all of those descending into the dust will kneel,
 - even he who cannot keep his soul alive.
- 30 Descendants will serve him.
 - Regarding the Lord, it will be told to the *next* generation.
- 31 They will come and tell his saving *deeds*
 - to a people yet to be born, that he has done it.

The Lord Is My Shepherd (c. 1022 – c. 969t BC)

Psalm 23

A psalm of David.

- 1 Yahweh is my shepherd;
 - I will not lack for anything.
- 2 In grassy pastures he makes me lie down;
 - by quiet waters he leads me.
- 3 He restores my life.
 - He leads me in correct paths
 - for the sake of his name.
- 4 Even when I walk in a dark valley, I fear no evil
 - because you are with me.
 - Your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You prepare before me a table
 - in the presence of my oppressors.
 - You anoint my head with oil;
 - my cup is overflowing.
- 6 Surely goodness and loyal love will pursue me
 - all the days of my life,
- and I will stay in the house of Yahweh
 - for a very long time.

The King of Glory (c. 1022 – c. 969t BC)

Psalm 24

A psalm of David.

- 1 The earth is Yahweh's, with its fullness, the world and those who live in it, [1 Cor 10:24–26]
- 2 because he has founded it on *the* seas,
 - and has established it on the rivers.
- 3 Who may ascend *the* mountain of Yahweh?
 - And who may stand in his holy place?
- 4 He who is innocent of hands and pure of heart, who does not lift up his soul to falseness,
 - and does not swear deceitfully.
- 5 He will receive blessing from Yahweh, and justice from the God of his salvation.
- 6 Such is the sort of those who seek him,
 - those who seek your face, even Jacob. Selah
- 7 Lift up your heads, O gates,
 - and rise up, O ancient doorways,
 - that the king of glory may enter.
- 8 Who is the king of glory?
 - Yahweh, strong and mighty;
 - Yahweh, mighty in war!
- 9 Lift up your heads, O gates,
 - and lift up, O ancient doorways,

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that the king of glory may enter.

Who is the king of glory?
Yahweh of hosts,
He is the king of glory! Selah

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