## Give Ear to My Voice (c. 1022 – c. 969t BC) Psalm 141

## A psalm of David.

- 1 I call on you, O Yahweh; hasten to me. Listen to my voice when I call to you.
- 2 Let my prayer be set before you *as* incense, the lifting up of my palms *as the* evening offering.
- 3 Set a guard, O Yahweh, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips.
- 4 Do not incline my heart to any evil thing, to practice wicked deeds with men *who* do iniquity; and do not let me eat of their delicacies.
- 5 Let a righteous one strike me in kindness, and let him chasten me. *It is* oil for *my* head; let not my head refuse.
  For still my prayer *is* against their evil deeds.
  6 *When* their judges are thrown down *the* sides of a cliff,
- then they will understand that my words were pleasant.
- 7 As *when one* plows and breaks up the earth, *so* our bones are scattered at the mouth of Sheol.
- 8 But my eyes *are* toward you, O Yahweh, my Lord; I have taken refuge in you. Do not lay bare my soul.
- 9 Protect me from *the* grasp of *the* trap they have laid for me, and *from the* snares of evildoers.
- 10 Let *the* wicked fall into their nets, while I escape altogether.

	My Soul Thirsts for You (c. 1022 – c. 969t BC) Psalm 143					
Аp	psalm of David.					
1	O Yahweh, hear my prayer;					
	listen to my supplications.					
	In your faithfulness answer me,					
	and in your righteousness.					
2	And do not enter into judgment with your servant,					
	because no one alive <i>is</i> righteous before you.					
3	For <i>the</i> enemy has pursued my soul;					
	he has crushed my life to the ground.					
	He has made me dwell in dark places					
	like <i>those</i> long dead.					
4	And <i>so</i> my spirit grows faint within me;					
	my heart within me is desolate.					
5	I remember <i>the</i> days of long ago;					
	I meditate on all your doings.					
	I muse on the labor of your hands.					
6	I stretch out my hands to you;					
	my soul <i>longs</i> for you like a dry land. <i>Selah</i>					
7	Quickly answer me, O Yahweh;					
	my spirit fails.					
	Do not hide your face from me,					
	or I will become					
	like <i>those</i> descending to <i>the</i> pit.					
8	Cause me to hear your loyal love in the morning,					
	for I trust you.					
	Cause me to know the way that I should go,					
	for I lift up my soul to you.					
9	Deliver me from my enemies, O Yahweh.					

I take refuge in you.

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- 10 Teach me to do your will, for you *are* my God; your Spirit *is* good.Lead me onto level ground.
- 11 For your name's sake, O Yahweh, preserve my life; in your righteousness bring me out of trouble.
- 12 And in your loyal love destroy my enemies, and exterminate all *the* adversaries of my soul, for I *am* your servant.

My Rock and My Fortress (с. 1022 – с. 969t вс)					
	Psalm 144				
Of David.					
1	Blessed be Yahweh, my rock,				
	the one who trains my hands for battle,				
	my fingers for war—				
2	my loyal love and my fortress,				
	my stronghold and my deliverer,				
	my shield, and <i>one</i> in whom I take refuge,				
	the one who subdues peoples under me.				
3	O Yahweh, what <i>is</i> humankind that you take knowledge of him,				
	or the son of man that you take thought of him?				
4	Humankind is like a breath,				
	his days like a passing shadow.				
5	O Yahweh, bow the heavens and come down;				
-	touch the mountains so that they smoke.				
6	Flash forth lightning and scatter them;				
-	dispatch your arrows and rout them.				
7	Stretch out your hands from on high;				
	Rescue me and deliver me from many waters,				
0	from <i>the</i> hand of foreigners,				
8	whose mouth speaks falsely, and their right hand <i>is</i> a false right hand.				
9	O God, I will sing a new song to you.				
9	With a lyre of ten <i>strings</i> I will sing praise to you,				
10	who gives victory to kings,				
10	who rescues David his servant				
	from <i>the</i> evil sword.				
11	Rescue me and deliver me				
	from <i>the</i> hand of foreigners,				
	whose mouth speaks falsely,				
	and whose right hand is a false right hand,				
12	that our sons may be like plants,				
	full grown in their youth,				
	our daughters like corner pillars,				
	carved in the style of a palace,				
13	that our granaries may be full,				
	providing <i>produce</i> of all kinds,				
	that our sheep may produce by the thousands,				
	by the tens of thousands in our open fields,				
14	that our cattle may be pregnant;				
	that there be no breach in our walls,				
	and no going out <i>in exile</i> ,				
	and no outcry in our plazas.				
15	Blessed are the people who have it thus.				
	Blessed are the people whose God is Yahweh.				

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	Great Is the Lord (с. 1022 – с. 969t вс)	
	Psalm 145	
Аp	raise of David.	
1	I will exalt you, my God, O king,	
	and I will bless your name forever and ever.	
2	Every day I will bless you	
	and praise your name forever and ever.	
3	Great is Yahweh, and very worthy of praise,	
	and his greatness is unsearchable.	
4	One generation will laud your works to another,	
	and will declare your mighty deeds.	
5	On the splendor of the glory of your majesty,	
	and on your wonderful deeds, I will meditate.	
6	And they will speak of the power of your awesome deeds,	
	and I will tell of your greatness.	
7	They will utter the renown of your abundant goodness,	
	and they will proclaim with joy your righteousness.	
8	Yahweh is gracious and compassionate,	
	slow to anger and great in loyal love.	
9	Yahweh <i>is</i> good to all,	
	and his mercies are over all his works.	
10	All your works will praise you, O Yahweh,	
	and your faithful ones will bless you.	
11	They will speak of the glory of your kingdom,	
	and talk of your power,	
12	to make known to the children of humankind his mighty deeds,	
	and the glory of the majesty of his kingdom.	
13	Your kingdom <i>is</i> an everlasting kingdom,	
	and your dominion endures throughout all generations.	
14	Yahweh upholds all who are falling,	
	and raises up all who are bowed down.	
15	The eyes of all look hopefully to you,	
	and you give them their food in due time,	
16	opening your hand,	
	and satisfying the desire of every living creature.	
17	Yahweh <i>is</i> righteous in all his ways,	
	and loyal in all his works.	
18	Yahweh <i>is</i> near to all who call on him,	
	to all who call on him in truth.	
19	He fulfills the desire of those who fear him;	
	he also hears their cry for help, and saves them.	
20	Yahweh protects all those who love him,	
	but all the wicked he will exterminate.	
21	My mouth will speak the praise of Yahweh,	
	and all flesh will bless his holy name	
	forever and ever.	

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