# His Steadfast Love Endures Forever (c. David/Solomon/Divided Kingdom)

#### Psalm 100

### A psalm of thanksgiving.

- 1 Shout in triumph to Yahweh, all the earth.
- 2 Serve Yahweh with joy;

come into his presence with exultation.

3 Know that Yahweh, he is God;

he made us and we are his.

We are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him; bless his name.

5 For Yahweh *is* good; his loyal love is forever, and his faithfulness *is* from generation to generation.

## Do Not Hide Your Face from Me [Messianic] (c. David/Solomon/Divided Kingdom)

#### Psalm 102

## A prayer of one afflicted, when he grows faint and pours out his lament before Yahweh.

- 1 O Yahweh, hear my prayer,
  - and let my cry for help come to you.
- 2 Do not hide your face from me

in *the* day *of* my trouble.

Incline your ear to me.

In the day I call, answer me quickly,

- 3 for my days vanish in smoke,
  - and my bones are charred like a hearth.
- 4 My heart is struck like grass and withers.
  - Indeed, I forget to eat my bread.
- 5 Because of the sound of my groaning
  - my bones cling to my skin.
- 6 I am like an owl of the wilderness;
  - I am like a little owl of the ruins.
- 7 I lie awake and I am
  - like a lone bird on a roof.
- 8 All the day my enemies reproach me;

those who mock me swear oaths against me.

- 9 Indeed, I eat ashes like bread
  - and mix my drink with tears
- 10 because of your indignation and anger,

for you have picked me up and thrown me away.

- 11 My days are like a lengthened shadow,
  - and I wither like grass.
- 12 But you, O Yahweh, abide forever,

and your remembrance from generation to generation.

- 13 You rise up and take pity on Zion,
  - because it is time to favor it,
  - for the appointed time has come.
- 14 Your servants take pleasure in her stones,
  - and show favor to its dust.
- 15 Then *the* nations will fear the name of Yahweh, and all the kings of the earth your glory.
- 16 For Yahweh will rebuild Zion;
  - he will appear in his glory.
- 17 He will turn his attention to the prayer of the destitute and will not despise their prayer.
- 18 Let this be written for the next generation,

so that a people yet to be created may praise Yah,

19 that he looked down from his holy height.

Yahweh looked from heaven over the earth

20 to hear the groaning of the prisoner,

to liberate those destined to die,

21 so that *they may* make known in Zion the name of Yahweh, and his praise in Jerusalem,

22 when the peoples assemble,

together with kingdoms, to serve Yahweh.

23 He has broken my strength along the way;

he has cut short my days.

24 I say, "My God, do not carry me off

from my life in the middle of my days."

Your years continue throughout all generations.

Long ago you laid the foundation of the earth, and *the* heavens *are* the work of your hands.

26 They will perish, but you will endure.

And like a garment they will all wear out,

you will replace them like clothing, and they will be set aside.

27 But you are the same,

and your years do not end. [Heb 1:10-12]

28 The children of your servants will continue,

and their descendants will be established before you.

### O Lord My God, You Are Very Great (c. 1000 - c. 900 BC)

#### Psalm 104

1 Bless Yahweh, O my soul.

O Yahweh my God, you are very great.

You clothe yourself with splendor and majesty,

2 you who cover yourself with light as with a garment,

who stretch out the heavens like a tent curtain,

3 the one who sets beams in the waters for his upper chambers,

who makes clouds his chariot,

who rides on the wings of the wind,

4 who makes his messengers the winds,

his attendants a flame of fire. [Heb 1:7]

5 He established *the* earth on her foundations,

so that it will not be moved forever and ever.

6 You covered it with *the* deep as with a garment.

The waters stood above the mountains.

7 At your rebuke they fled;

at the sound of your thunder they ran off.

8 They ascended *the* mountains *and* drained though the valleys

to the place that you established for them.

9 You set a boundary that they may not cross over,

so that they would not return to cover the earth.

10 You are the one who sends forth springs into the valleys;

they flow between the mountains.

11 They give drink for every beast of the field.

The wild donkeys quench their thirst.

12 Along them the birds of the heavens abide.

From among the branches they sing.

13 You are the one who waters the mountains

from his upper chambers.

The earth is full with the fruit of your labors:

14 who causes grass to grow for the cattle

and herbs for the service of humankind,

to bring forth food from the earth,

- 15 and wine *that* makes glad *the* heart of man, so that *their* faces shine from oil, and bread *that* strengthens the heart of man.
- 16 The trees of Yahweh drink their fill, the cedars of Lebanon that he planted,
- where birds make *their* nest.

The stork has its home in the fir trees.

- The high mountains are for the wild goats; the cliffs are a refuge for the rock badgers.
- 19 He made *the* moon for appointed times; *the* sun knows its *time* for setting.
- 20 You make darkness, and it is night, when all *the* animals of the forest creep about.
- 21 The young lions *are* roaring for the prey and seeking their food from God.
- 22 When the sun rises, they gather together and lie down in their dens.
- 23 Humankind goes out to its work, and to its labor until evening.
- 24 How many are your works, O Yahweh; all of them you have done in wisdom. The earth is full of your creatures.
- 25 This *is* the great and wide sea, in which *are* moving animals without number, living things small and great.
- 26 There *the* ships sail.

Leviathan is there that you formed to play with.

- 27 They all wait for you to give *them* their food at the proper time.
- You give to them; they gather it.
  You open your hand, they are filled with what is good.
- You hide your face, they are terrified. You take away their breath, they die 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 Yahweh endure forever.

May Yahweh be glad in his works,

- 32 the one who looks at the earth and it quakes, and touches the mountains and they smoke.
- I will sing to Yahweh throughout my life;I will sing praise to my God while I remain alive.
- 34 May my meditation be pleasing to him. I will be glad in Yahweh.
- 35 Let sinners perish completely from the earth, and the wicked not remain alive.
  Bless Yahweh, O my soul.
  Praise Yah.

## Let the Redeemed of the Lord Say So (c. David/Solomon/Divided Kingdom)

#### Psalm 107

- 1 Give thanks to Yahweh, for *he is* good, for his loyal love *is* forever.
- 2 Let the redeemed of Yahweh declare it, those whom he has redeemed from the hand of the enemy
- 3 and gathered from the lands,

from east and from west, from north and from south.

- 4 They wandered in the wilderness, in a desert.
  - They could find no way to a city to inhabit.
- 5 Hungry and thirsty,
  - their soul grew faint within them.
- 6 Then they cried out to Yahweh in their trouble. He delivered them from their distresses
- 7 and led them by a straight way to get to a city to inhabit.
- 8 Let them give thanks to Yahweh for his loyal love, and his wonderful deeds for *the* children of humankind,
- 9 for he satisfies *the* longing soul, and *the* hungry soul he fills with good. [Luke 1:53]
- 10 Those who sat in darkness and gloom, prisoners of misery and iron—
- 11 because they rebelled against the words of God and spurned the counsel of the Most High,
- 12 he therefore humbled their heart with trouble.
  They stumbled and there was no helper.
- 13 Then they called to Yahweh for help in their trouble; he saved them from their distresses.
- 14 He brought them out of darkness and gloom, and tore off their bonds.
- 15 Let them give thanks to Yahweh for his loyal love and his wonderful deeds for *the* children of humankind,
- for he shatters the doors of bronze, and cuts through the bars of iron.
- 17 Fools, because of their rebellious way and their iniquities, were afflicted.
- 18 Their soul abhorred all food, and they approached *the* gates of death.
- 19 Then they called to Yahweh for help in their trouble. He saved them from their distresses.
- 20 He sent his word and healed them, and he delivered *them* from their pits.
- 21 Let them give thanks to Yahweh for his loyal love, and his wonderful deeds for *the* children of humankind,
- and let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving, and tell of his works with rejoicing.
- 23 Those who went down to the sea into ships, doing business on the high seas,
- 24 they saw the works of Yahweh, and his wonderful deeds in *the* deep.
- 25 For he spoke and raised up a stormy wind, and it whipped up its waves.
- They rose to the heavens; they plunged to *the* depths. Their soul melted in their calamity.
- 27 They reeled and staggered like a drunkard, and they were at their wits' end.
- Then they cried out to Yahweh in their trouble, and he brought them out of their distresses.
- 29 He made *the* storm be still and their waves became calm.
- 30 Then they were glad because they grew silent, so he guided them to their desired harbor.
- 31 Let them give thanks to Yahweh for his loyal love and his wonderful deeds for *the* children of humankind,
- and let them exalt him in *the* congregation of *the* people,

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- and praise him in the assembly of the elders.
- 33 He turns rivers into a wilderness and springs of water into thirsty ground,
- a fruitful land into a salty place, because of the evil of its inhabitants.
- 35 He turns a wilderness into a pool of water and a dry land into springs of water.
- 36 And he settles the hungry there, so that they may establish a city to inhabit,
- 37 and sow fields and plant vineyards, that they may yield fruit at harvest.
- And he blesses them and they multiply greatly, and he does not let their cattle become few.
- 39 When they become few and they are bent down from *the* oppression of calamity and grief,
- 40 *he* pours contempt on princes and causes them to wander in a trackless waste.
- 41 But he protects *the* needy from misery, and he makes *their* families like a flock.
- 42 *The* upright see *it* and are glad, and all wickedness shuts its mouth.
- 43 Whoever *is* wise, then let him observe these *things*, and let them consider Yahweh's acts of loyal love.

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