



THE PHONETIC ENGLISH BIBLE

PART 3 OF FIVE

THE PSALMS

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A UNIQUE BIBLE AND ITS APP FOR THE PHONETIC ENGLISH FONT



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The invention of the PHONETIC ENGLISH FONT for English literacy paves the way for teachers of English to radically improve the efficiency of a large volume of early literacy publications including thousands of children's story books.

The PHONETIC ENGLISH FONT presents a truly cheap and simple opportunity for schools to give new hope to many of those students ... young and old ... who have problems with basic English writing and reading skills.

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... HOW THE FONT WORKS IN HALF A PAGE ...

WITHOUT changing the spellings of any English words, this **new font** by *Virtual Phonetics Pty Ltd* reduces the number of essential English **sounding out** or **pronunciation** 'rules' by

80%

and less than **1%** of all English words
remain "out of reach" for this font.

THIS IS HOW THE APP WORKS ON HIGHLIGHTED TEXTS

The **10** marks of the app's "**phonetic English**" font **redu**ce the complexity of **our** English '**sounding out**' rule system **d**own from **near 360** **rule**s to **60** and **this with**out **ch**ang**ing** the spelling of the **w**ord**s**.

The app is **base**d upon a (diacritical marking) **metho**d for the **te**ach**ing** of **bas**ic **re**ading **th**at, at its very **bas**ics ... **â**l**mo**st **ç**ê**rt**ainly ... **f**ir**s**t **orig**inated **with** the **te**ach**ing** of **He**brew **so**me **3000** **year**s **ago**.

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WHY THIS FONT ?

THE PURPOSE OF THE FONT is to help students of English to cope more easily with the problems of our unique English ‘rules’ for **PRONUNCIATION AND SPELLING**

Since especially the **15th century** many writers have made sensible suggestions for improvements for changes to English spelling ... but their suggestions have never been taken up : around the world, there were just too many English speaking people who saw no good reason to change their **writing** habits.

But the **PHONETIC ENGLISH FONT** that is used throughout the **PHONETIC ENGLISH BIBLE SERIES** is very different ... and it stands a reasonable chance of becoming accepted.

The thinking here is simple : this new font for **PHONETICALLY REGULAR ENGLISH** can be read by all readers of English **WITHOUT ANY PRIOR STUDY.**

The font is only a simple but computer based “ diacritical marking ” system that has been adapted to our existing English spelling conventions. For **centuries**, the marks within **all** such systems have only shown readers how to pronounce the words that any given language community has chosen to communicate with.

And the **PHONETIC ENGLISH FONT** that is used in both the Phonetic English Bible as well as the Phonetic English Books series is no exception.

THE 10 SIGNS OF THE PHONETIC ENGLISH FONT

The font has been over 60 years in the making. Only **10 SIGNS** on and around English letters enable it to work. Minimum introductory details are provided on these current pages but a fully elaborated MANUAL comes with the **PHONETIC ENGLISH FONT SERIES** series

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A PRIOR NOTE : **20** HIGH FREQUENCY ‘CONNECTOR’ WORDS

A **TOTAL** of **20** very **high frequency** 'connector' **wôrdş** occupy a disproportionate volume of the **wôrd count** on any **page**. To avoid an unnecessary amount of **vişual clutter** **througheut** ... the **phonetic English** font in the **PHONETIC ENGLISH BIBLE** haş **choşen NOT** to encode the following 20 **wôrdş** :

he she me be so no as or for you her his to into of
the is are was were

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Below are the **NEW ENGLISH LETTERS** that enable the PHONETIC ENGLISH FONT APP to work. A fully elaborated MANUAL is available.

SUMMARY FEATURES

Below are the **59** letter designs used by the phonetically regular written English font in the program. These **59** new and old “**letters**”, when combined with the silent (*smaller and slanted*) letters, make up the **60** sounding out ‘**rules**’ that are taught by the **Virtual Phonetics™ font**. This new font of **60** sounding out ‘**rules**’ replaces an estimated **360** (and even more) sounding out ‘**rules**’ that all children have to learn on their way to normal adult reading skill.

The resulting text does not change the **spelling** of any words yet it goes **99%** of the way toward converting normal English words into ‘**phònetically regular**’ ones.

The app contains over 15,500 different words in its coded word bank.

a	a	á	ä	å	b	c	ç	ch		
d	d	e	e	ê	ë	f	g	g	gh	
h	i	i	î	j	k	l	m	n	o	o
ô	ô	ó	ó	ø	ø	p	ph			
q	qu	r	r	s	ş	sh	t	th	th	
u	u	û	ù	v	w	x	y	y ²	y	z

FULL TECHNICAL INFORMATION IN THE MANUAL

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THE PHONETIC ENGLISH FONT KEY TO PRONUNCIATIONS

10 MARKS AROUND THE LETTERS HOW THEY WORK

- SIGN 1.** Faint and smaller letters are not to be sounded out. They are silent:
knob writ wrestle trouble debt
- SIGN 2.** **BOLDED** pairs of consonant letters make one common English sound unit:
gh as in rough **ph** as in philosophy
ch as in chin **sh** as in shut **qu** as in quit
- SIGN 3.** **BOLDED** single vowels **a e i o u** changes their sounds from short to long:
apron **e**ven **i**con **o**val **u**nit
stra**a**ight **th**ough **th**rough gh**o**st
- SIGN 4.** A vertical line under the letters **ç g ş đ** changes their sounds to s j z and t respectively:
çell g**em** rub**ş** jump**ed** cru**i**ş**e**
- SIGN 5.** A vertical line over the letters **a** and **o** changes their sounds to short **o** and **u** sounds respectively:
w**a**ş w**a**tch **qu**ad**ş** **qu**ality y**a**cht
c**o**me fr**o**nt am**o**ng w**o**nder m**o**ther
- SIGN 6.** A dot over the letters **o** and **u** changes their sounds to *hard u* sound :
p**u**ll b**u**tcher b**o**ş**o**m w**o**man t**o**ok
- SIGN 7.** Two dots over a letter tells you that there is an **ah** sound below:
he**ä**rt st**ä**r l**ä**ugh sp**ä**rse s**ä**rg**e**ant
- SIGN 8.** A horizontal curved line over a letter tells you that there is **er** sound below:
b**î**rd t**ê**rm b**û**rn w**ô**rth**y** l**ê**arn
- SIGN 9.** A vertical ^c shape over a letter tells you that there is an **or** sound below:
ch**ă**/k b**ô**ught b**ă**ld b**ô**rn d**ă**ughter
- SIGN 10.** A slanted line through a letter tells you about the sound of **ow** as in 'now' sound:
b**o**un**ç**e all**o**wing scr**o**un**ç**e pl**o**ugh

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VOWELS

a apple ant rabbit
a ac**o**rn gre**a**tly va**a**cant
ă w**ă**nt sw**ă**t qu**ă**rrel ya**ă**cht
ä ärt p**ä**/m c**ä**rna**g**e
å åll råw h**å**ul

e egg empty entic**e**
e even **e**vil secret
ê h**ê**r v**ê**rg**e** **ê**arly
ë cl**ë**rk s**ë**rg**e**ant

i ink igl**ee** it**ch**y
y yet yonder yellow
i id**le** deli**gh**t i**c**on
y m**y**self pig**st**y den**y**
î îrk g**î**rder b**î**r**th**

o oran**g**e oct**o**p**u**s odd
o o**m**it o**v**er eskimo
ô s**ô**n m**ô**ther **ô**nion
ò w**ò**lf h**ò**od w**ò**man
ô w**ô**rd w**ô**rse w**ô**rk
õ **õ**rder s**õ**rt transp**õ**rt
ö **ö**ut sc**ö**wl l**ö**udly
ö m**ö**ve t**ö**ee int**ö** t**we**

u ugly umbrella cut
u **u**nion **u**nity r**u**de
û p**û**t p**û**ll b**û**tcher
û **û**rg**e** n**û**rse p**û**rp**le**

CONSONANTS

c cat cut cot cabbage
ç **ç**ent **ç**ity **ç**ycle
g get got gun give
g **g**em **g**entle **g**inger
d dig dug dog
d lik**d** lick**d** kiss**d**
s sit sat set
\$ dig**\$** dog**\$** pr**e**sent

ch chat **ch**in rich much
sh shed **sh**ut rush rash
th that **th**en **th**is **tho**s**e**
th **th**in **th**ick **th**ink **th**ing
ph ph**o**ne graph neph**ew**
gh to**u**gh l**ä**ugh cou**gh**
qu quick**ly** **qu**een **qu**it

r

The **TOP** 'r' is spoken **before**
vowels and

r

the **BOTTOM** 'r' is not usually
spoken **after** vowels.

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a apple ant rabbit
e egg empty enti~~c~~_e
i ink igl~~ee~~ itchy
y typical happy
o orang~~e~~ octo~~p~~_{us} oggle
a wa~~n~~t swa~~t~~ qua~~r~~rel ya~~ch~~t

u ugly umbrella cut
o so~~n~~ mo~~t~~her o~~n~~ion

o wo~~l~~f ho~~o~~d wo~~m~~an
u pu~~t~~ pu~~l~~l bu~~t~~cher

.....
a ac~~o~~rn grea~~t~~ly vaca~~n~~t
e even e~~v~~il secre~~t~~
i ivy i~~r~~on i~~c~~on
y my~~s~~elf pigsty deny
o o~~m~~it o~~v~~er eskimo
u u~~n~~ion u~~n~~ity ru~~d~~e
e me~~v~~e tee into~~e~~ twe

e ou~~t~~ scow~~l~~ lou~~d~~ly

.....
ä ä~~r~~t pä~~m~~ cä~~r~~na~~g~~_e
ë cl~~ë~~rk s~~ë~~r~~g~~eant
.....
ê h~~ê~~r v~~ê~~r~~g~~_e e~~a~~rly
î î~~r~~k g~~î~~rder b~~î~~rth
ô w~~ô~~rd w~~ô~~rse w~~ô~~rth
û û~~r~~g~~e~~ nû~~r~~se pû~~r~~ple
.....
å å~~l~~l rå~~w~~ hæ~~u~~l
ö ö~~r~~der sö~~r~~t transpö~~r~~t

**SHORT VOWEL SOUNDS
IN ENGLISH**

In the teachers' manual, SHORT VOWEL word lists are found on pages 10 through to 21.

**LONG VOWEL SOUNDS
IN ENGLISH**

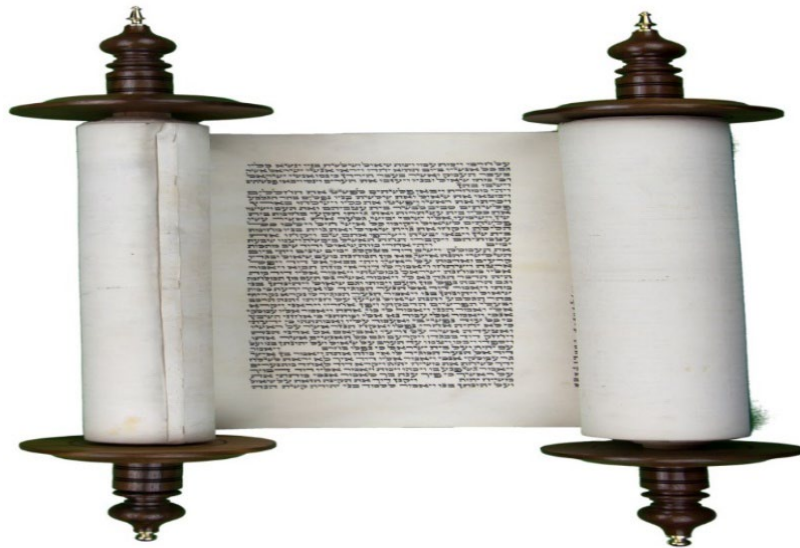
In the teachers' manual, LONG VOWEL word lists are found on pages 22 through to 32.

**ENGLISH VOWEL SOUNDS
THAT ARE USUALLY
INFLUENCED BY THE
LETTER 'R'**

In the teachers' manual, words whose VOWELS ARE INFLUENCED by the letter 'r' are found on pages 33 to 38.

The final word lists on pages 39 to 44 of the teachers' manual are taken up by words that can best be classified as polysyllabic and phonetically complex.

**NEARLY ALL ENGLISH BIBLES GLOBALLY
DO NOT FEATURE THE NAME OF YAHWEH WHO
WAS THE GOD OF THE PASSOVER WHOM
JESUS CAME AND DIED TO TELL US ABOUT**



As it was IN THE BEGINNING

The Lord **YAHWEH** ...The Lord **JESUS**...The Lord **HOLY SPIRIT**

The **Bible** is one of the most confusing books in the world. Its original **Hebraic** scriptures that can be up to 3,500 years old, are selected, ignored and often mistranslated by as many as 45,000 Christian denominations.

This introduction to the **Phonetic English Bible** series represents my own personal attempt to set right just a few of the things that seem to me as being **inconsistent** with the **original** and **Hebraic** teachings about **YAHWEH** and about His Savior Son **JESUS**.

Along the way too, I hope to present a strong case for Christians to give more attention within their prayers to the Lord **HOLY SPIRIT** as the eternally appointed counsellor and comforter.

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PRELUDE

THE GOD OF ALL GODS WHO BUILT YOU

Whether you are Christian or Jewish or Muslim makes no difference : the *SPIRIT* that is behind the *eyes* that you see whenever you look in the mirror is the *GOD* who built *YOU*

Your Age and 9 Months Ago

Your age and 9 months ago you were a tiny *egg* in your mum’s belly. You were about the size of half a grain of rice. The *sperm* from your dad that fertilized this egg was so *small* that around five of them could have fitted into the width of a single human hair. From this tiniest of beginnings you have grown into the human being that you are today. And perhaps you too have helped your own personal *SPIRIT* to repeat this biological miracle of *creation* by having a child or children of your own.

Even at this stage, there are some features of God’s *continuous* activity within us that we can and must draw attention to. Not even *he* can build you from sixty billion miles out in space. Even *he* has to be *on* the job and *within* the job in order to (1) put all the bits into the right places and (2) keep all these bits in working order.

Your human *brain* for example, has long been recognised by humanity as the most complex organisation of matter in the universe. In round figures, it contains some *100 billion* cells that enable all of the many bits of your body to function. Each cell too, is composed of DNA (*dioxy-ribonucleic-acid*) which was recently described by Bill Gates as the most compact *organisation of information* in the universe!

Wow! and there are still some people in this world who prefer to believe that some sort of a “mother nature” could have “created” all of the above. And this when all of the mythology about this “mother nature” has never explained how she managed to acquire a brain to *design* anything with.

It Helps Me Personally to Believe

It helps me also to personally believe that the *SPIRIT* who both *BUILT* me from an ever so tiny seed in my mum’s belly as well as *BUILT* the brain that I think with ...is the only *SPIRIT* that is also qualified to have been my lifelong *BATTERY* to date.

I recall too that I was once told by the *Holy Spirit* to give the following message to a group of Spanish immigrants in Australia.

“Your thoughts are like thunder in the throne-room of GOD”

This is why the first of my Christian teachings is ... that the *GOD OF ALL GODS* is the *SPIRIT* that is behind the *EYES* that you see whenever you look in the *MIRROR*.

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With few exceptions, every English Bible that we read today is **still** only a translation of a very early and **seriously** inaccurate **Catholic** (and Greek) Bible with 4 of its original books missing. These inaccuracies have remained uncorrected even after the better part of 2000 years. The **Greek** (and Latin) versions of our current **21st** century Bible books were formally ratified by a group of **Rome** based Christians around **397 CE**.

LANGUAGE CONFUSIONS IN OUR BIBLE

Spoken Hebrew was the first of the three main languages used in our earliest Bible records. Among other things, **spoken** Hebrew was the language used to report the fabled foundation stories of Adam and Eve and of Noah's Ark. **Written** Hebrew on the other hand arrived much later : it first occurs as **Paleo** Hebrew in the archaeological records of around **1000 BCE**. This is roughly the time of the legendary King David who is reported to have been the main author of the **Book of Psalms**..

From the standpoint of accurate translation: In our 3,500 year old **Old Testament**, all of the books prior to the **Book of Psalms** had to have survived for some **450** years as only **word-of-mouth** communications from generation to generation. In our 2,000 year old **New Testament**, all of its books too, existed for some **30 to 90** years as very changeable **word-of-mouth** stories before they were first written in the **GREEK** (and often Latin) languages that were the **commercial** languages of that era.

Complete with all of its ancient translational errors it was **this collection of ancient GREEK writings** that were first translated into our English Bible for **King James** of England in the year **1611 CE**. Even today, some **82%** of the people who regularly read an English Bible will reach for this translation.

Christian readers globally however, are almost totally unaware of how blasphemously **wrong** this **King James** Bible has remained since **1611CE**.

THE NAME OF GOD THAT WAS GIVEN TO MOSES WAS YAHWEH

YAHWEH is the name scripturally given by the **ETERNAL GOD** of our Bible to **MOSES** and with these words: “ **This is my name FOREVER the name you shall call me from generation to generation**” (Exodus 3:14)

And for around the next **1500** years, all the **HEBREW** authors of the Old Testament books through to the **Book of Malachi** refer reverently to **YAHWEH** as the name of **GOD** no less than **6,824** times ! Following is a list of the Bible books where the name of **YAHWEH** is exclusively **WORSHIPPED** by the original **Hebrew** authors.

Genesis Exodus Leviticus Numbers Deuteronomy Joshua Judges Ruth Samuel Kings Chronicles Ezra Nehemiah Esther Job Psalms Proverbs Ecclesiastes Solomon Isaiah Jeremiah Lamentations Ezekiel Daniel Hosea Joel Amos Obadiah Jonah Micah Nahum Habakkuk Zephaniah Haggai Zechariah Malachi

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From the standpoint of Hebrew **FAMILY** loyalties too, it is pertinent to note that all the ancestral relatives on the **biological** side of the family of **JESUS** were people who worshipped **YAHWEH**. This worship of **YAHWEH** began with his immediate parents and grandparents and then proceeded back down the line to His uncles, aunts and cousins ... and so on all the way back ... for some 1500 years ... to **MOSES**.

THE MISTRANSLATIONS BY KING JAMES AND THEIR CONCLUSIVE 21ST CENTURY CORRECTIONS

But in the year *1611CE* this very clear worship of the name of **YAHWEH** that had persisted for some **1500** years throughout all of the original and **HEBREW** Old Testament texts, was inexplicably **ERADICATED** by those who did the translation work (from the **GREEK**) for King James of England. This now 400 year old translation was to become the **blasphemy of all blasphemies** for which there can be no excuse.

Thankfully, there has been a globally noteworthy **CORRECTION** to this translational nonsense that has been published since that time. This is the current **2014** version of the original **King James Bible** that was simply **re-edited** by Ann Spangler as **THE NAMES OF GOD BIBLE** and then **published** by Revell. It fully and simply exposes **ALL** of the **6,824** mistranslations.

BUT IT GETS WORSE

**THIS ORIGINAL 1611CE BUNGLER WAS FOLLOWED BY 5 MORE BUNGLES.
... THE 5 MOST BUNGLED BIBLES IN THE WORLD ...**

Since the publication of the **King James Bible** the world's publishing companies have printed some **11 billion** Bibles in almost 4000 languages. Every year our Bible is the world's best-selling book. Currently, the **five** best-selling **English** Bibles are:

The King James Version **55%**
The New International Version **19%**
The New Revised Standard Version **7%**
The New American Bible **6%**
The Living Bible **5%**

Currently too, the main **bungle** throughout **all five** of them is as follows:

NONE OF THESE BIBLES MENTIONS THE NAME OF YAHWEH

It is a truly **DUMB AND BLASPHEMOUS COLLECTION** of mistranslated Bibles about **GOD** that mistranslates his **HEBREW NAME** 6,824 times ! And **most** of the estimated **2.6 billion** Christians throughout the world need to be re-educated with three simple truths about **YAHWEH**. These truths are:

1. The name of the **GOD** who powered all of the Bible's miracles from **MOSES** through to **JESUS** was and still is **YAHWEH**.
2. The name of the **GOD** who raised **JESUS** from the dead ... was and is **YAHWEH**.
3. The name of the **GOD** for whom **JESUS WAS MURDERED** because he persistently tried to **remind the world** about the **GOD OF ALL GODS** that his own Hebrew people had **started to ignore** ... was and is **YAHWEH**.

As many as are led by the SPIRIT of GOD these are the CHILDREN of GOD

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THEN IT GETS WORSE STILL

THE MASSIVE ‘BIBLICAL MURDER’ BUNGLES . . . EXECUTIONS FOR TRIVIAL “ SINS ” IN BOTH TESTAMENTS . . .

Since especially the late 20th century, our English Bible of some 750,000 words has been increasingly referred to as the word **of God** when it has simply **never** been any such thing. At the very best our Bible has been merely the word **about God**.

The information to support these corrections of our increasingly popular and **global** Christian catchery is just so **simple** to find. Any Bible at all has the information that we need : we only need to **open** it and find the following bits.

- (1) the bits about the **many executions** of Hebrew people for trivial offenses
- (2) the bits that fail to condemn **sexual depravity** and
- (3) the bits endorsing the **genocide** of seven entire nations of non-Hebrew people

EXECUTION IN THOSE DAYS WAS BY PUBLIC STONING

Exodus : 20:13 21:17 31:14 Leviticus : 20:10 24:13-16 Numbers : 15:32-36
Deuteronomy : 21:18-21

1. People who simply worked on the Sabbath day were **executed**.
2. Male (but not female) homosexuals were **executed** too.
3. Men and women who committed adultery were **executed**
4. People participating in any non-Hebrew religious practices (witchcraft) were **executed**.
5. Even simply cursing either God or your parents got you **executed** !

EXECUTION FOR SIMPLY SAYING THE NAME OF YAHWEH OUT LOUD IN PUBLIC !

6. Finally ... during the period between the book of **Malachi** and the start of the New Testament ... there came the height of Hebrew **religious execution** in practice. By that time, the era of Hebrew rule by its Kings had come to an end, and the year was approximately **450 BCE**.

This was the era during which the Hebrew people started to be ruled by a truly **murderous** combination of (1) its **religious** or rabbinical class who were also (2) its **rich** class as well as (3) its **reading & writing** class when ... in those days ... only up to 3% of the Hebrew people could read. At that time Israel does appear to have started ruling its people by a very strict form of **political** religion. However it happened, it is reasonable to conclude that around that time a nation wide Hebrew religious **LAW** was **declared**.

This new **law** stipulated that no-one in the future was to be considered “ **holy** ” enough before **GOD** to say the name of **YAHWEH out loud in public**. And the punishment for

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breaking this new law was to be **DEATH**. In future, the word **YAHWEH** in all **public** speech had to be **replaced** by the words **HA-SHEM** which means “ **THE NAME** ”. Persons overheard abusing this new law were to be **executed**.

The introduction of this new law quite certainly explains how, some 1500 years after the time that **MOSES** was given the original 10 Commandments, the omnipotent **NAME** of Christianity’s eternal **GOD** was **obliterated** from the **mouths** and **minds** of even the Hebrew people too !

With **DEATH** as a statutory consequence for speaking it aloud in public, it could not have been more than a single generation before all **PRAYING ALOUD** of the name of **YAHWEH** became **doctrinally** regarded by the **Hebrew** people as some sort of a **SIN** !

Even **today** devout Jewish people around the world will still **see** the the word **YAHWEH** when reading their scriptures but both **say** and **think** the words **HA-SHEM** .

It is pertinent to note too, that it was probably this main “ **crime** ” among other things that impelled the Scribes and Pharisees of the **New Testament** to politically agitate for the **DEATH** of **JESUS** by the then occupying **Roman military**.

In **332 BCE** and in **63 BCE** the land of the Hebrew people was occupied by the **militaries** of Alexander the Great and of Rome respectively. I have often wondered if **YAHWEH** would have permitted these military defeats if the Hebrew people had not stopped praying like he had most **clearly** instructed **MOSES** to do. I have often wondered too. Did this new law by the ancient **Hebrew** rulers to **execute** persons who publicly **prayed aloud** to **YAHWEH** bring down a **CURSE** on the **Hebrew** people?

RELIGIOUS EXECUTION IN THE NEW TESTAMENT TOO ?

The main **execution** reported in the **New Testament** is the one that results in the deaths of a man and wife team named Ananias and Sapphira. According to the scriptures, these two people were executed (presumably) by **YAHWEH** because they failed to add their money to the community collection plate. ACTS 5:1

TWO OTHER BLATANT OLD TESTAMENT PROBLEMS

SEXUAL PROMISCUITY by the Hebrew kings escaped condemnation. **King David** had at least 8 wives along with a collection of concubines. **King Solomon** reportedly had as many as 700 wives and 300 concubines. If this were true this would make Solomon the most **sexually depraved male** in human history.

GENOCIDE The scripture in the book of **Deuteronomy** instructs the Hebrew people to utterly destroy the people (and sometimes livestock too) of **seven** entire nations who were named as the **Hittites**, the **Amorites**, the **Canaanites**, the **Perizzites**, the **Hivites**, the **Jesubites** and the **Girgashites**. (Deuteronomy 2:31-34 7:1-3 13: 5) This is **murder** on a truly grand scale within the ancient world ... when **FIVE** times elsewhere in the scriptures we are presented with the **Ten Commandments** whose sixth instruction is as follows ...

THOU SHALT NOT KILL !

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PROBLEMATIC CHRISTIAN ACTIVITIES WITH ITS TEACHINGS

ALL BRANDS of Christianity in the world have derived from what it has called the “ **Holy** ” Bible. With this Bible, every denomination has been legally free to simply choose the scriptures that it liked, and then to teach to its congregations whatever it is that it **wanted** to teach. So each of the world’s **45,000** Christian denominations have basically taught those uniquely **selected** scriptures that made up the official **rule book** from its **Head Office**.

In the **addendum** to the **Phonetic English Bible**, I have described the problems that especially **English** speakers have with the translations of Bible scriptures from their original **Hebrew** and **Aramaic** languages. But even after these translational inaccuracies have been removed many seriously contentious issues remain .

There are now thousands of ancient manuscripts to attest to the life and lessons of **JESUS**. Some **16,000** of these were written in either the Greek (or Latin): and another **9,000** were written in Syriac, Slavic, Gothic, Ethiopic, Coptic and more. The **originals** however, were probably written in the **Peshitta** dialect of the **Aramaic** language that was spoken and possibly written too by **JESUS** and some of His disciples. And on average, this amounts to some **900** ancient manuscripts for **each** of the **27** New Testament books !

It took a total of about **90** years for these originally 27 “ **word of mouth** ” stories to be finally gathered into a written assembly of books which we now call the **New Testament**. The **Greek** version of this assembly was finally **ratified** by an early version of a **Rome** based “Christian” church around the year **397 CE**. By that time this early “ Christian ” church had been **politically** united with the ethically dubious and truly **murderous** emperors of the Roman empire for at least a century.

It was also these **Rome** based authorities that assigned the name of the **current author** to each of the 27 books of the New Testament. Finally, it was these **Rome** based authorities which, in later centuries, evolved into what is still known today as the **Catholic Church**.

CHURCH BASED SLAUGHTER : In an exhaustive **2006 CE** report by **David A. Plaisted**, it was the **Papacy** of this **Catholic** church that had authorised the **execution** of some **50 million** people for the religious crime of **heresy** ! These executions had occurred within the centuries between approximately the **4th** century and the late **19th** century..

It is vital to bear in mind especially, that throughout the periods of “ **word of mouth** ” transmission, literally every **reteller** of a Bible story was in a position to **add** or **delete** his own bits simply to suit his own personal theological or ‘ religious ’ preferences. Hence, as our modern ‘ **Secular Web** ’ group reports, there are usually **hundreds** of differences between any **two** copies of the one book among the ancient manuscripts for each of our 27 New Testament books.

These events especially verify that our Biblical scripture has always been at least as **human** as it was both **evil** and **holy** : and there never has been any evidence to justify the near incessant 20th century religious catchcry that the **Bible** is the **Word of God**. In all probability, the most amazing feature about our Bible is that for two millennia it has

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remained as a source of inspiration for those “**HOLY SPIRIT**” led people who have managed to ignore those teachings from it that have been used to support **evil**.

GLOBAL CONFUSIONS CAUSED BY ADDED & DELETED BITS

A sufficiently informative list of historically **added, ignored, deleted** and **misinterpreted** bits of scripture is presented in the **addendum** to the **Phonetic English Bible**... but a few of the most globally destructive and deceptive bits warrant special attention at this stage.

SYMBOLIC bits of scripture declared as STATUTES before GOD.

The “THIS IS MY BODY” bit of scripture

At a final meal table shortly before his crucifixion **JESUS** is reported to have broken a chunk off a loaf of bread and said **This is my body**. Then he took a cup of wine and said **This is my blood**. To most readers this was a simple but **figurative** expression with bread and wine that **JESUS** used to illustrate that his **teachings** about Himself and His Father **YAHWEH** represented a **spiritual** sustenance that was **eternal**. Then shortly after this symbolic presentation of both bread and wine before his disciples he said these words: **Do this in remembrance of me**.

As I explain below, these two 1st century statements attributed to **JESUS** have consistently brought some truly incomprehensible ceremonial behaviours to especially our **Catholic, Coptic** and **Orthodox** church gatherings. For most of the last 2000 years the strictly regimented Catholic, Coptic and Orthodox church **THEOLOGY** on the **symbolic** communion table statement of “**This is my body**” has **required** all of their church members to believe the **following**:

That whenever their ordained priests merely **SAY** these 4 words over bits of bread, then these **bits of bread** are **converted** into the actual **body and blood and soul and divinity** of **JESUS** himself !

This teaching on the reported communion table “*miracle*” is religiously referred to as the doctrine of

TRANSUBSTANTIATION

To me and to many others, it is **IMPOSSIBLE** to concoct an officially stipulated theological teaching that could be more absurdly **EXTREME** than this. But this 2 millennia old and **official theological ruling** does help to explain to at least the **non-Christians** of the world why they see on the mass media (1) so many **hugely** expensive performances by men wearing their **fancy dress costumes** for ceremonies within (2) **hugely** expensive churches and cathedrals.

To me and many others too ... the daily celebrations of the “**This is my body**” teaching by our Catholic, Coptic and Orthodox churches essentially try to teach their congregations that the **once and for all spiritual sacrifice** of the life of the only begotten **SON** of **YAHWEH** on the Cross wasn't enough for the **spiritual salvation** of humankind in its entirety.

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In my own personal view, the whole of the **This is my body** expression by **JESUS** simply amounted to **JESUS** having used what is commonly referred to as a **figure of speech**. This figure of speech statement at that time is quite similar to an earlier time when **JESUS** simply said **I am the vine and My Father is the farmer**. And no-one at that occasion believed for a moment that **JESUS** was suggesting that he had ever resembled a **mobile bunch of leaves**.

To be fair by the Catholic, Coptic and Orthodox groups here: The Gospel of John (6:53) does report **JESUS** as having said ... **Unless you eat the body of the Son of man and drink his blood you have no life of your own**. But as Andrew Roth points out, this statement in the context of the scripture at that time ... was issued as a **rebuke** and **not** as an exhortation to either **cannibalism** or to the **drinking of blood** ... both of which practices have all along been abhorrent to Judaism.

THE PASSOVER SCRIPTURES BY MOSES ARE VERY CLEAR

. . . THERE IS ONLY THE GOD WHOSE NAME IS YAHWEH . . .

Our English word **GOD** derives from **GOT** the Babylonian word for the god of wealth. The **Hebraic** word for **GOD** has always been the word **ELOHIM**. In **Hebrew** this word is both grammatically **singular** as well as **plural** like the English word **sheep**, and it means both **GOD** and **GODS** simultaneously.

The **Hebrew** scriptures state that the name of our **ELOHIM** (which can also mean literally all of the “gods” simultaneously) is **YAHWEH** and that this name was given to **MOSES** at the same time that he was given the **TEN COMMANDMENTS** .

And these ten commandments, came with the **STRICTEST** of stipulations to the effect that the name of **YAHWEH** must **NEVER** be altered , abused , blasphemed or **SUBSTITUTED** in **any** way or at **any** time for any **SPIRITUAL WORSHIP**. In the books of **Exodus** and **Deuteronomy** offenders are warned by **YAHWEH** himself of **SPIRITUAL** consequences to the 3rd and even the 4th **GENERATIONS** !

The **ELOHIM** who before **MOSES** named himself as **YAHWEH** then, has all along been the creator of **ALL** of the thousands of different **SPIRITS**, each of which in its turn **BUILDS** either its own different living **CREATURE** or its own different living plant **SEED**.

Or as explained in simpler **biological** terms: The spirit of **each** of the **thousands** of different living **plants** and of each of the **thousands** of different living **creatures** is a **species specific** spirit. i.e. the spirit of the eagle builds **only** the eagle and the spirit of the elephant builds **only** the elephant and so on for all of our planet's different **plant** seeds too.

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BUT... it is only the **HUMAN spirit that is able to **acknowledge** any creation by **YAHWEH****

And JESUS did explain how we should pray to this GOD.

He said: “ Behold Israel, the Lord YAHWEH your ELOHIM is ONE.

You shall LOVE the Lord YAHWEH your ELOHIM with ALL your SOUL and with ALL your MIND and with ALL your STRENGTH.

This is the FIRST commandment. The SECOND is like this: You shall also love your NEIGHBOUR as you love YOURSELF.” Mt 22:37

With instructions about who we should **pray** to and **love** as explicit as those above there is just **no excuse** for us to pray to other than **YAHWEH** our **ELOHIM** together with **JESUS** our **SAVIOUR** as well as to the **HOLY SPIRIT**.

This **HOLY SPIRIT** as **JESUS** himself explained, is the divine and eternal **COMFORTER** whose arrival was foretold by **JESUS** before he was crucified.

And it was quite obviously the **HOLY SPIRIT** (the divine **UNION** of Our **Heavenly Father** with **His Son**) who worked **ALL** of those miracles within our New Testament that occurred after **JESUS** died.

Refer: Jn 14:16 Jn 14:26 Jn 15:26 and Jn 16: 27

ONLY HUMAN BEINGS CAN BE HOLY BEFORE YAHWEH

This means quite automatically that holiness does not necessarily accompany anything that is constructed with bricks, stones, sand, cement and concrete : no churches, no cathedrals, no temples, no mosques or synagogues. And there is also nothing that is intrinsically holy about the ritualistic headwear and clothing that is nearly always used in the religious ceremonies that are celebrated in these buildings.

AND SHOULD ANY SAINT EVER BE PRAYED TO ?

Should anyone pray to any **SAINT** ? No known **SAINT** has ever had anything to do with the designing or building of the **BRAIN** that any Christian has ever **thought** with !

So **ALL** of our Catholic, Coptic and Orthodox **SAINTS** ... including **especially** the saint who is alternately known as the **Virgin Mary** or as the **Mother of GOD** ... are clearly and exclusively the pagan **GODS** or **GODESSES** of our world's Catholic, Coptic and Orthodox branches of Christianity.

All told, there is a selection of at least **14,000** officially named “ **SAINTS** ” within the religious rule books of these three main branches of Christianity.

And the the **ONE NAME** that is conspicuously **MISSING FROM THIS LIST** is the name of **YAHWEH** !

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THE RELIGIOUS DENIAL OF THE LAWS OF YAHWEH CLEARLY BEGAN IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

THE BOOK OF ISAIAH can be viewed as a thorough **exposure** of the many occasions when the **disciples** of the original teachings of **MOSES** clearly departed from teachings on **morality** by **YAHWEH**. If read in this light, the Book of Isaiah shows that ... well before Christianity began ... the ancestors of our modern Jews were no less **immoral** than Christianity **became**.

ALL PRAYER

Every prayer at its **spiritual** (rather than just its “intellectual’) **basis** is simply **you** trying to **talk** to the **God** who is behind the **EYES** that you see when you look in the **mirror**. Both you and your **God** understand the language that you personally **think** with. Otherwise **two way** communication between you and **God** would fail eternally.

PRAYERS IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES ?

For some **170** human **generations** (from roughly the time of **MOSES** onwards) **Christianity** as well as **Islam** have largely failed to teach prayer routines that have been designed to communicate with **shared** love in the essential **two way** process between you and the **ELOHIM** who built you.. We need to remember constantly that our own **love** for the **ELOHIM** in our heads and in our hearts and in our blood streams is close enough to the **only** valuable thing in the world that even he our **ELOHIM** is quite **UNABLE** to create ! **Love** has always been a **two way** process of mutual **GIVING**.

Until the arrival of the mid 20th century, our **Catholic** churches required all of its **cardinals**, **bishops** and **priests** to pray in **LATIN** whenever conducting their religious ceremonies. But the Latin language had globally **died** as a commonly spoken language many **centuries** before this! The **QURAN** of **ISLAM** too, is still today **written** and **recited** in the ancient 7th century **ARABIC** of its founding prophet and this when today almost **no Muslims** speak it !

The above two examples of **trying to communicate** with **GOD** in a language that you yourself do **NOT** understand are nothing better than samples of **religiously imposed imbecility**. Nonsense like this is totally removed from the **love** that the **GOD OF GODS** and his only begotten Son **JESUS** want to share with us !

AND WHERE IS THE SPIRIT CALLED SATAN IN ALL THIS MESS ?

Both **Islam** and **Christianity** believe in the existence of a spirit that they name as **SATAN**. I personally have seen **SATAN** ... and on one occasion ... I also saw a demon at the same time as my companion saw it. **SATAN** and his demons **do** exist.

Our Old Testament mentions **SATAN** 19 times and our New Testament 34 times. The **Book of Psalms** with its 42,000 words of mainly **prayers** surprisingly mentions **SATAN** only once ! **JESUS** is reported as mentioning him 17 times.

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But **SATAN** does exist ... and every human being since time began has been harassed by both his dreams as well as his stinking thoughts or “temptations”.

Again ... from my personal experience ... I have actually smelled **SATAN** too. He and his demons are the collective stench **of and within spiritual creation**. An animal carcass during summertime is the closest event that reminds me of him.

More surprisingly (even after 2000 years) Christianity has not yet evolved a universally acceptable **proactive prayer** against **SATAN** ! I often wonder how this could be. This often causes me to wonder too if there really are any **significant** differences between at least **some** of the so called **SAINTS** of Christianity and the spirit that is often referred to as **SATAN**.

YOUR VERY OWN GOD IS FOREVER IN YOUR BRAIN WITH YOU ... AND WITH ALL OF HIS ANGELS ... ALL OF THE TIME

Wherever our **God** is, his **ministering spirits** too are with him , and this **all** of the time. No other view or theory on the whereabouts of both **God** and his **angels** makes any sense at all.

A paraphrase from **Psalms 82** adds some light here : **You are GODS yet you shall each die like a MAN**. None of humankind's **45,000** Christian denominations choose to sufficiently emphasize this most fundamental spiritual reality that underpins the design and construction of the brain that is in every human head. In **John 10:34** **JESUS** is also reported to have said **Is it not written in your law, I said ye are GODS ?**

Christian scripture too, declares: **In the Beginning was the WORD and the WORD was with ELOHIM (GOD) and ELOHIM (GOD) was the WORD**. It also declares that **ELOHIM (GOD)** is and always was **the Alpha and the Omega** or (if we prefer the Aramaic here) **the Aleph and the Tav**.

The above simple declarations neatly summarise that our **ELOHIM (GOD)** is actually the **FIRST WORD** ever spoken by humankind and the **LAST** word too. There has never been a clearer way than the above scriptures to summarise the **ultimate** truth that our **ELOHIM (GOD)** alone has been the **ever present spiritual powerhouse** that has underpinned **every** word that your human brain (with its 100 **billion** cells) has ever thought of or spoken.

YOUR OWN MOST POWERFUL PRAYERS ARE THE ONES THAT BOTH YOU AND YOUR GOD UNDERSTAND ... AND SO OFTEN ... THEY CANNOT BE FOUND IN EITHER THE BIBLE OR IN ISLAM'S QURAN

Neither the **ABRAHAM** of 4,000 years ago nor the **MOSES** of 3,500 years ago had any **scripture** to read or refer to : Hebrew writing in its original (Paleo Hebrew) form first occurs in the archaeological record some 500 years after the death of **MOSES**.

ABRAHAM and **MOSES** simply **loved** and **believed** in the **ELOHIM (GOD)** who they prayed to and who **did** apparently answer both of them with the **miracles** that are reported in the Bible.

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So it's probably a good idea to keep our prayers to the Lord **YAHWEH** and to the Lord **JESUS** and to the Lord **HOLY SPIRIT** both very simple and constant. And it's a good idea too, to make sure that they constantly express **love** and **thanks**.

My own prayers are constantly in my head and heart and bloodstream. Always too they address the original **divine** and **united team** that has **always** consisted of

(1) **YAHWEH** and (2) **JESUS** and (3) the **HOLY SPIRIT**
Creator Savior Counsellor

A LIST OF SIMPLE PRAYER PHRASES TO THINK ABOUT FULL-TIME

Thank you for being here
Help me to be still before you
I love you
You love me
Teach me to pray
Thank you Thank you Thank you
YAHWEH.
JESUS.
HOLY SPIRIT.
I love you with everything I've got.
I thank you with everything I've got.
I am stunned that YOU love me too
PLEASE teach me to PRAY for the things that YOU want of me.
You are always in my head with ME and with your ANGELS.
This realization of your constant PRESENCE in my HEAD is the most
comforting privilege of my life.
So PLEASE continue teaching me HOW TO PRAY and WHAT TO PRAY FOR.
Only in this way shall I be able to serve YOU as well as serve the PEOPLE
that you WANT me to serve.

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AND KNOW that THIS DIVINE TEAM IS HERE . . . AND PRAY**

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THE BOOK OF PSALMS

Psalm 1

1 Blessed is the man who doesn't walk in the counsel of the wicked, nor stand on the path of sinners, nor sit in the seat of scoffers;

2 But his delight is in the Torah of YAHWEH. On His Torah he meditates day and night.

3 He will be like a tree planted by the streams of water, that produces its fruit in its season, whose leaf also does not wither. Whatever he does shall prosper.

4 The wicked are not so, but are like the chaff which the wind drives away.

5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

6 For YAHWEH knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall perish.

Psalm 2

1 Why do the nations rage, and the peoples plot a vain thing?

2 The kings of the earth take a stand, and the rulers take counsel together, against YAHWEH, and against his anointed, saying

3 "Let's break their bonds apart, and cast their cords from us."

4 He who sits in the heavens will laugh. YAHWEH will have them in derision.

5 Then he will speak to them in his anger, and terrify them in his wrath:

6 "Yet I have set my King on my holy hill of Zion."

7 I will tell of the decree. YAHWEH said to me, "You are my son. Today I have become your father.

8 Ask of me, and I will give the nations for your inheritance, the uttermost parts of the earth for your possession.

9 You shall break them with a rod of iron. You shall dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."

10 Now therefore be wise, you kings. Be instructed, you judges of the earth.

11 Serve YAHWEH with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

12 Give sincere homage to the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish on the way, for his wrath will soon be kindled. Blessed are all those who take refuge in him.

Psalm 3

1 YAHWEH, **h**ow my adv**ê**saries have incre**ase**d! Many are **tho**se wh**o** ri**se** up ag**ain**st me.

2 Many **th**ere are wh**o** say of my soul, "**Th**ere is no help for him in Elohim."

3 But you, , are a **sh**ield ar**ou**nd me, my gl**ô**ry, and the one wh**o** lifts up my head.
YAHWEH

4 I cry to YAHWEH with my voi**ç**e, and he answer**ç** me **o**ut of his holy hill.

5 I **l**a**id** my**se**lf **do**wn and slept. I aw**a**ken**ed**; for YAHWEH sust**ain**ç me.

6 I will not be af**r**a**i**d of tens of **th**ou**sa**nds of people wh**o** have set **th**emsel**ve**s ag**ain**st me on every side.

7 Ar**i**se, YAHWEH! **S**ave me, my Elohim! For you have struck **â**ll of my enem**i**es on the **ch**eck bone. You have broken the **te**eth of the wicked.

8 Salv**ati**on belong**ç** to YAHWEH. Y**ô**ur blessing be on y**ô**ur pe**o**ple. Selah.

Psalm 4

1 Answer me when I c**â**ll, Elohim of my ri**gh**teousness. Give me relief from my distress. Have m**ê**r**ç**y on me, and hear my prayer.

2 You s**ôn**ç of men, **h**ow long **sh**all my gl**ô**ry be t**û**rn**ed** into di**sh**onor? Will you **l**ove vanity, and seek **â**fter fals**eh**ood?

3 But **kn**ow **th**at YAHWEH has set ap**ä**rt for himself him wh**o** is ri**gh**teous YAHWEH will **h**ear when I c**â**ll to him.

4 Stand in **â**we, and don't sin. S**ê**arch y**ô**ur **o**wn he**ä**rt on y**ô**ur bed, and be still.

5 Offer the sacrific**es** of ri**gh**teousness. Put y**ô**ur trust in YAHWEH.

6 Many say, "wh**o** will **sh**ow us any g**ô**od?" YAHWEH, let the light of y**ô**ur fa**ç**e **sh**ine on us.

7 You have put gladness in my he**ä**rt, m**ô**re **th**an when **th**eir grain and **th**eir new wine are incre**ase**d.

8 In pe**ac**e I will **bo**th lay myself **do**wn and sleep, for you, YAHWEH al**o**ne, make me live in saf**e**ty.

Psalm 5

1 Give **e**ar to my w**ô**rds, YAHWEH. C**ô**nsider my medit**ati**on.

2 Listen to the voi**ç**e of my cry, my King and my Elohim; for to you **de** I pray.

3 YAHWEH, in the m**ô**rning you **sh**all hear my voi**ç**e. In the m**ô**rning I will lay my requests bef**ô**re you, and will w**a**tch expectantly.

- 4 For you are not an Elohim **who** has pleasure in wickedness. **Evil** cān't live **with** you.
- 5 The arrogant **shall** not stand in **yôur** sight. You **hate** **ăll** wôrkers of iniquity.
- 6 You will destroy **thosē** **who** speak lies. YAHWEH abhōrs the bloodthirsty and deceitful man.
- 7 But as for me, in the abundance of **yôur** loving kindness I will cōme into **yôur** house. I will bow toward **yôur** holy temple in reverence of you.
- 8 Lead me, YAHWEH, in **yôur** righteousness because of my enemies. Make **yôur** way straight before my face.
- 9 For **there** is no faithfulness in **their** mouth. **Their** heart is destruction. **Their** throat is an open tomb. **They** flatter with **their** tongue.
- 10 Hold **them** guilty, Elohim. Let **them** fall by **their** own counsels; Thrust **them** out in the multitude of **their** transgressions, for **they** have rebelled against you.
- 11 But let **ăll** **thosē** **who** take refuge in you rejoice, Let **them** **ălways** shout for joy, because you defend **them**. Let **them** **ălso** **who** love **yôur** name be joyful in you.
- 12 For you will bless the righteous. YAHWEH, you will surround him with favor as with a shield.

Psalm 6

- 1 YAHWEH, don't rebuke me in **yôur** anger, **neither** discipline me in **yôur** wrath.
- 2 Have **mercy** on me, YAHWEH, for I am faint. YAHWEH, heal me, for my bones are troubled.
- 3 My soul is **ălso** in great anguish. But you, YAHWEH—how long?
- 4 Return, YAHWEH. Deliver my soul, and save me for **yôur** loving kindness' sake.
- 5 For in death **there** is no memory of you. In Sheol who shall give you thanks?
- 6 I am weary with my groaning. Every night I flood my bed. I drench my couch with my tears.
- 7 My eye wastes away because of grief. It grows old because of **ăll** my adversaries.
- 8 Depart from me, **ăll** you wôrkers of iniquity, for YAHWEH has heard the voice of my weeping.
- 9 YAHWEH has heard my supplication. YAHWEH accepts my prayer.
- 10 May **ăll** my enemies be ashamed and dismayed. **They** shall turn back, **they** shall be disgraced suddenly.

Psalm 7

1 YAHWEH, my Elohim, I take refuge in you. Save me from **all those** who pursue me, and deliver me,

2 lest **they** tear apart my soul like a lion, ripping it in pieces, while there is no one to deliver.

3 YAHWEH, my Elohim, if I have done this, if there is iniquity in my hands,

4 if I have rewarded evil to him who was at peace with me (yes, if I have delivered him who without cause was my adversary),

5 let the enemy pursue my soul, and overtake it; let him tread my life down to the earth, and lay my glory in the dust.

6 Arise, YAHWEH, in your anger. Lift up yourself against the rage of my adversaries. Awake for me. You have commanded judgment.

7 Let the congregation of the people surround you. Rule over them on high.

8 YAHWEH administers judgment to the people. Judge me, YAHWEH, according to my righteousness, and to my integrity that is in me.

9 Oh let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end, but establish the righteous; their minds and hearts are searched by the righteous Elohim.

10 My shield is with Elohim, who saves the upright in heart.

11 Elohim is a righteous judge, yes, an Elohim who has indignation every day.

12 If a man doesn't relent, he will sharpen his sword; he has bent and strung his bow.

13 He has also prepared for himself the instruments of death. He makes ready his flaming arrows.

14 Behold, he travels with iniquity. Yes, he has conceived mischief, and brought out falsehood.

15 He has dug a hole, and has fallen into the pit which he made.

16 The trouble he causes shall return to his own head. His violence shall come down on the crown of his own head.

17 I will give thanks to YAHWEH according to his righteousness, and will sing praise to the name of YAHWEH Most High.

Psalm 8

1 YAHWEH, our Master, how majestic is your name in all the earth, who has set your glory above the heavens!

2 From the lips of **babes** and infants you have established strength, because of **yôur** adversaries, **that** you might silence the enemy and the avenger.

3 When I consider **yôur** heavens, the work of **yôur** fingers, the moon and the stars, **which** you have ordained;

4 **What** is man, **that** you think of him? **What** is the son of man, **that** you care for him?

5 For you have made him a little lower **than** Elohim and crowned him with glory and honor.

6 You make him ruler over the works of **yôur** hands. You have put **all** things under his feet:

7 All **sheep** and cattle, yes, and the animals of the field,

8 The birds of the sky, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes through the paths of the seas.

9 YAHWEH, **our** Master, how majestic is **yôur** name in **all** the earth!

Psalm 9

1 I will give thanks to YAHWEH with my whole heart. I will tell of **all** **yôur** marvelous works.

2 I will be glad and rejoice in you. I will sing praise to **yôur** name, **O** Most High.

3 When my enemies turn back, they stumble and perish in **yôur** presence.

4 For you have maintained my just cause. You sit on the throne judging righteously.

5 You have rebuked the nations. You have destroyed the wicked. You have blotted out their name forever and ever.

6 The enemy is overtaken by endless ruin. The very memory of the cities **which** you have overthrown has perished.

7 But YAHWEH reigns forever. He has prepared his throne for judgment.

8 He will judge the world in righteousness. He will administer judgment to the peoples in uprightness.

9 YAHWEH will also be a high tower for the oppressed; a high tower in times of trouble.

10 **Those** who know **yôur** name will put their trust in you, for you, YAHWEH, have not forsaken **those** who seek you.

11 Sing praises to YAHWEH, who dwells in Zion, and declare among the people **what** he has done.

12 For he who **avenges** blood remembers **them**. He **doesn't** forget the cry of the afflicted.

13 Have **mercy** on me, YAHWEH. **See** my affliction by **those** who **hate** me, and lift me up from the **gates** of death;

14 **that** I may **show** **all** of **your** praise. In the **gates** of the **daughter** of Zion, I will rejoice in **your** salvation.

15 The **nations** have sunk down in the pit **that** **they** made. In the net **which** **they** hid, **their** own foot is taken.

16 YAHWEH has made himself known. He has executed judgment. The wicked is snared by the work of his own hands. Meditation.

17 The wicked shall be turned back to **Sheol**, even **all** the **nations** that forget Elohim.

18 For the **needy** shall not **always** be forgotten, nor the **hope** of the **poor** perish forever.

19 **Arise**, YAHWEH! **Don't** let man prevail. Let the **nations** be judged in **your** sight.

20 Put **them** in **fear**, YAHWEH. Let the **nations** know **that** **they** are only men.

Psalm 10

1 **Why** do you stand far off, YAHWEH? **Why** do you hide **yourself** in times of trouble?

2 In arrogance, the wicked hunt down the weak. **They** are caught in the schemes **that** **they** devise.

3 For the wicked boasts of his heart's cravings. He blesses the greedy, and condemns YAHWEH.

4 The wicked, in the pride of his face, has no room in his thoughts for Elohim.

5 His ways are prosperous at all times. He is haughty, and **your** Torah is far from his sight. As for **all** his adversaries, he sneers at them.

6 He says in his heart, "I shall not be shaken. For generations I shall have no trouble."

7 His mouth is full of cursing, deceit, and oppression. Under his tongue is mischief and iniquity.

8 He lies in wait near the villages. From ambushes, he murders the innocent. His eyes are secretly set against the helpless.

9 He lurks in secret as a lion in his ambush. He lies in wait to catch the helpless. He catches the helpless, when he draws him in his net.

10 The helpless are crushed. **They** collapse. **They** fall under his strength.

11 He says in his heart, "Elohim has forgotten. He hides his face. He will never see it."

12 Arise, YAHWEH! Oh EL, lift up your hand! Don't forget the helpless.

13 Why does the wicked person condemn Elohim, and say in his heart, "Elohim won't call me into account?"

14 But You see trouble and grief. You consider it to take it into your hand. You help the victim and the fatherless.

15 Break the arm of the wicked. As for the evil man, seek out his wickedness until you find none.

16 YAHWEH is King forever and ever! The nations will perish out of His land.

17 YAHWEH, you have heard the desire of the humble. You will prepare their heart. You will cause your ear to hear,

18 to judge the fatherless and the oppressed, that man who is of the earth may terrify no more.

Psalm 11

1 In YAHWEH, I take refuge. How can you say to my soul, "Flee as a bird to your mountain!"

2 For, behold, the wicked bend their bows. They set their arrows on the strings, that they may shoot in darkness at the upright in heart.

3 If the foundations are destroyed, what can the righteous do?

4 YAHWEH is in his holy temple. YAHWEH is on his throne in heaven. His eyes observe. His eyes examine the children of men.

5 YAHWEH examines the righteous, but the wicked and him who loves violence his soul hates.

6 On the wicked he will rain blazing coals: fire, sulfur, and scorching wind shall be the portion of their cup.

7 For YAHWEH is righteous. He loves righteousness. The upright shall see his face.

Psalm 12

1. Help, YAHWEH; for the righteous man ceases. For faithful fail from among the children of men.

2 Everyone lies to his neighbor. They speak with flattering lips, and with a double heart.

3 **May** YAHWEH cut off **á**ll flattering lips, and the **tóngue** **that** **bo**asts,

4 **Wh**e have said, “**With** **o**ur **tóngue** we will prevail. Our lips are **o**ur **o**wn. **Wh**e is **lórd** over us?”

5 “**Beca**use of the oppression of the **we**ak and **beca**use of the **gro**aning of the **nee**dy, I will **no**w **ari**se,” say**ş** YAHWEH; “I will set him in **saf**ety from **tho**se **wh**e **mal**ign him.”

6 YAHWEH’S **wó**rd**ş** are **flá**wless **wó**rd**ş**, as silver **refi**ned in a **clay fû**rnac**e**, **pur**ified seven **time**ş.

7 You will **keep** **th**em, YAHWEH. You will **presê**rve **th**em from **this** **ge**nerati**o**n forever.

8 The wicked **wá**lk on every **side**, **when** **wh**at is **vile** is **exá**lted among the **són**ş of men.

Psalm 13

How long, YAHWEH? Will you forget me forever? **How** long will you **hí**de **yô**ur **fa**ce from me?

2 **How** long **shall** I **take** **c**ounsel in **my** **soul**, having sorrow in **my** **heä**rt every **day**? **How** long **shall** **my** enemy **triumph** over me?

3 **Behold**, and answer me, YAHWEH, **my** **Elohim**. Give **li**ght to **my** **eye**ş, lest I **sleep** in **deat**h;

4 Lest **my** enemy **say**, “I have **prev**ailed **again**st him”; Lest **my** **advê**saries**ş** **rejoice** **when** I **fá**ll.

5 But I trust in **yô**ur **ló**ving **kind**ness. **My** **heä**rt **rejoice**ş in **yô**ur **salvati**o**n**.

6 I will sing to YAHWEH, **beca**use he has **been** **gó**od to me.

Psalm 14

The **fo**ol has said in **hiş** **heä**rt, “**There** is no **Elohim**.” **They** are corrupt. **They** have **dó**ne abominable **deed**ş. **There** is no one **wh**e **dó**eş **gó**od.

2 YAHWEH **ló**ok**e**d **d**own from heaven on the **ch**ildren of men, to **see** if **th**ere were any **wh**e **understó**od, **wh**e **só**ught after **Elohim**.

3 **They** have **á**ll gone **aside**. **They** have **toget**her **becó**me corrupt. **There** is no one **wh**e **dó**eş **gó**od, no, not one.

4 Have **á**ll the **wó**rker**ş** of iniquity no **knowledg**e, **wh**e **eat** up **my** **pe**ople as **th**ey **eat** bread, and **don**’t **cá**ll on YAHWEH ?

5 **There** **th**ey were in **gre**at **fear**, for **Elohim** is in the **ge**nerati**o**n of the **ri**ght**e**ous.

6 You **frustrate** the plan of the **pó**or, **beca**use YAHWEH is his **refug**e.

7 **Oh** **that** the **salvation** of **Išrael** **would come** **out** of **Zion**! When **YAHWEH** **restores** the **fortunes** of his **people**, **then Jacob** **shall rejoice**, and **Išrael** **shall** be **glad**.

Psalm 15

YAHWEH, **who** **shall** dwell in **yôur** **sanctuary**? **Who** **shall** live on **yôur** **holy** hill?

2 He **who** **walks** **blamelessly** **does** **what** is **right**, and **speaks** **truth** in his **heart**;

3 He **who** **doesn't** slander **with** his **tongue**, **nôr** **does** **evil** to his friend, **nôr** **casts** **slurs** against his fellow man;

4 In **whose** **eyes** a vile man is **despised**, but **who** **honors** **those** **who** **fear** **YAHWEH**; he **who** **keeps** an **oath** even when it **hurts**, and **doesn't** **change**;

5 He **who** **doesn't** lend **out** his **money** for **usury**, **nôr** **take** a **bribe** against the innocent.

He **who** **does** **these** **things** **shall** never be **shaken**.

Psalm 16

Preserve me, Oh **EL**, for in you **do** I **take** **refuge**.

2 **My** **soul**, you have said to **YAHWEH**, "You are **my** **Goodness**. **Apärt** from you I have no **good** **thing**."

3 As for the **saints** **who** are in the **earth**, **they** are the **excellent** **ones** in **whom** is **all** **my** **delight**.

4 **Their** **sorrows** **shall** be **multiplied** **who** give gifts to an **other** **Elohim**. **Their** drink offerings of **blood** I will not offer, **nôr** **take** **their** **names** on **my** lips.

5 **YAHWEH** **assigned** **my** **portion** and **my** cup. You **made** **my** lot **secure**.

6 The **lines** have **fallen** to me in **pleasant** **places**. Yes, I have a **good** inheritance.

7 I will bless **YAHWEH**, **who** has given me **counsel**. Yes, **my** **heart** instructs me in the **night** **seasons**.

8 I have set **YAHWEH** **always** **before** me. **Because** he is at **my** **right** hand, I **shall** not be **moved**.

9 **Therefore** **my** **heart** is glad, and **my** **tongue** **rejoices**. **My** body **shall** **also** dwell in **safety**.

10 For you will not **leave** **my** **soul** in **Sheol**, [a] **neither** will you **allow** **yôur** **holy** one to **see** corruption.

11 You will **show** me the **päth** of **life**. In yôur **presenç**e is **fullness** of joy. In yôur **right** hand **there** are **pleasur**eş forever **môre**.

Psalm 17

Hear, YAHWEH, my **righteous** **plea**; Give **ear** to my **prayer**, **that** **doeşn't** go **out** of **deç**eitful lips.

2 Let my **sentenç**e **côme** **out** of yôur **presenç**e. Let yôur **ey**eş **lôok** on **equity**.

3 You have **prov**ed my **heärt**. You have **viş**ited me in the **nigh**t. You have **tri**ed me, and **found** **nôthing**. I have **reş**olved **that** my **mou**th **shall** not **disobey**.

4 As for the **deed**ş of men, **by** the **wô**rd of yôur lips, I have kept **myself** from the **way**ş of the **violent**.

5 My steps have held **fä**st to yôur **päth**ş. My **feet** have not **slipp**ed.

6 I have **cäl**led on you, for you will answer me, Oh Elohim. **Tû**rn yôur **ear** to me. **Hear** my **speech**.

7 **Show** yôur **mä**rvelous **lô**ving **kindness**, you **wh**e **save** **thoş**e **wh**e **take** **refug**e **by** yôur **right** hand from **their** **enemie**ş.

8 **Keep** me as the apple of yôur **ey**e. **Hide** me under the **shadow** of yôur **wing**ş,

9 from the wicked **wh**e oppress me, my **deadly** **enemie**ş, **wh**e **surr**ound me.

10 **They** **cloş**e up **their** callous **heärt**ş. **With** **their** **mou**th **they** **spea**k **pr**oudly.

11 **They** have **now** **surr**ounded us in **our** steps. **They** set **their** **ey**eş to **cä**st us **d**own to the **ê**arth.

12 He is **like** a **liôn** **that** is **greedy** of his prey, as it were a young **liôn** **lû**rking in **secret** **plac**eş.

13 **Ariş**e, YAHWEH , **côn**frônt him. **Cä**st him **d**own. Deliver my **soul** from the wicked **by** yôur **swô**rd;

14 from men **by** yôur hand, YAHWEH, from men of the **wô**rd, **wh**eş **pô**rtiôn is in **this** **life**. You fill the belly of yôur **cherish**ed **one**ş. Yôur **son**ş have plenty, and **they** **stô**re up **wealth** for **their** **child**ren.

15 As for me, I **shall** **see** yôur **faç**e in **righteousness**. I **shall** be **satisfi**ed, **when** I **awake**, **with** **see**ing yôur **fô**rm.

Psalm 18

1 I **love** you, YAHWEH , my **streng**th.

2 YAHWEH is **my** rock, **my** f~~o~~rtress, and **my** deliverer; **my** Elohim, **my** rock, in wh~~o~~m I take refu~~g~~e; **my** shield, and the h~~o~~rn of **my** salvati~~o~~n, **my** high tower.

3 I c~~a~~ll on YAHWEH, wh~~o~~ is w~~o~~rthy to be prai~~s~~ed; and I am sav~~e~~d from **my** enemies.

4 The c~~o~~rd~~s~~ of dea~~t~~h surr~~o~~unded me. The fl~~o~~od~~s~~ of ungodliness ma~~d~~e me afraid.

5 The c~~o~~rd~~s~~ of **Sheol** were ar~~o~~und me. The sna~~r~~e~~s~~ of dea~~t~~h came on me.

6 In **my** distress I c~~a~~ll~~e~~d on YAHWEH , and cri~~e~~d to **my** Elohim. He h~~e~~ard **my** voi~~c~~e ~~o~~ut of his temple. **My** cry bef~~o~~re him came into his ear~~s~~.

7 **Then** the ~~e~~ar~~t~~h sh~~o~~ok and trembled. The f~~o~~undati~~o~~n~~s~~ ~~a~~lso of the m~~o~~untain~~s~~ quak~~e~~d and were sh~~a~~k~~e~~n, beca~~u~~s~~e~~ he was angry.

8 Sm~~o~~ke went ~~o~~ut of his nostril~~s~~. Consuming fire came ~~o~~ut of his m~~o~~uth. Coal~~s~~ were kindled by it.

9 He bow~~e~~d the heav~~e~~n~~s~~ ~~a~~lso, and came down. **Thick** d~~a~~rkn~~e~~ss was under his feet.

10 He rod~~e~~ on a **cherub**, and flew. Yes, he s~~o~~ar~~e~~d on the wing~~s~~ of the wind.

11 He ma~~d~~e d~~a~~rkn~~e~~ss his hid~~i~~ng plac~~e~~, his pavilion ar~~o~~und him, d~~a~~rkn~~e~~ss of water~~s~~, th~~i~~ck cl~~o~~ud~~s~~ of the skie~~s~~.

12 At the brightn~~e~~ss bef~~o~~re him his th~~i~~ck cl~~o~~ud~~s~~ p~~a~~ss~~e~~d, hailstone~~s~~ and coal~~s~~ of fir~~e~~.

13 YAHWEH ~~a~~lso th~~u~~ndered in the sky. The **Most High** utter~~e~~d his voi~~c~~e : hailstone~~s~~ and coal~~s~~ of fir~~e~~.

14 He sent ~~o~~ut his arrow~~s~~, and scatter~~e~~d **them**; Yes, gr~~e~~at lightning bolt~~s~~, and routed **them**.

15 **Then** the **ch**annel of water~~s~~ appe~~a~~red. The f~~o~~undati~~o~~n~~s~~ of the w~~o~~rld were laid bare at y~~o~~ur rebuk~~e~~, YAHWEH , at the bl~~a~~st of the brea~~t~~h of y~~o~~ur nostril~~s~~.

16 He sent from on hi~~i~~gh. He t~~o~~ok me. He drew me ~~o~~ut of many water~~s~~.

17 He deliver~~e~~d me from **my** strong enemy, from **tho**s~~e~~ wh~~o~~ hated me; for **they** were t~~o~~o mi~~g~~hty for me.

18 **They** came on me in the day of **my** calamity, but YAHWEH was **my** supp~~ort.~~

19 He br~~o~~ught me ~~o~~ut ~~a~~lso into a l~~a~~rg~~e~~ plac~~e~~. He deliver~~e~~d me, beca~~u~~s~~e~~ he deli~~g~~hted in me.

- 20 YAHWEH has rewarded me according to my righteousness. According to the cleanness of my hands has he recompensed me.
- 21 For I have kept the ways of YAHWEH, and have not wickedly departed from my Elohim.
- 22 For all his ordinances were before me. I didn't put away his statute from me.
- 23 I was also blameless with him. I kept myself from my iniquity.
- 24 Therefore YAHWEH has rewarded me according to my righteousness, according to the cleanness of my hands in his eyesight.
- 25 With the merciful you will show yourself merciful. With the perfect man, you will show yourself perfect.
- 26 With the pure, you will show yourself pure. With the crooked you will show yourself shrewd.
- 27 For you will save the afflicted people, but the haughty eyes you will bring down.
- 28 For you will light my lamp, YAHWEH. My Elohim will light up my darkness.
- 29 For by you, I advance through a troop. By my Elohim, I leap over a wall.
- 30 The EL is perfect in every way. YAHWEH'S word is tried. He is a shield to all those who take refuge in him.
- 31 For who is Eloah, except YAHWEH? Who is a rock, besides our Elohim,
- 32 the EL who arms me with strength, and makes my way perfect?
- 33 He makes my feet like deer's feet, and sets me on my high places.
- 34 He teaches my hands to war, so that my arms bend a bow of bronze.
- 35 You have also given me the shield of your salvation. Your right hand sustains me. Your gentleness has made me great.
- 36 You have enlarged my steps under me. My feet have not slipped.
- 37 I will pursue my enemies, and overtake them. Neither will I turn again until they are consumed.
- 38 I will strike them through, so that they will not be able to rise. They shall fall under my feet.
- 39 For you have armed me with strength to the battle. You have subdued under me those who rose up against me.
- 40 You have also made my enemies turn their backs to me, that I might cut off those who hate me.

41 **They** cried, but **there** was no one to **save**; **even** to YAHWEH , but he didn't answer **them**.

42 **Then** I **beat** **them** small as the dust before the wind. I cast **them** **out** as the mire of the streets.

43 You have delivered me from the strivings of the people. You have made me the head of the nations. A people whom I have not known shall serve me.

44 As soon as **they** hear of me **they** shall **obey** me. The foreigners, shall submit **themselves** to me.

45 The foreigners, shall fade away, and shall come trembling **out** of **their** closer places.

46 YAHWEH lives; and blessed be my rock. Exalted be the Elohim of my salvation,

47 **even** the EL who executes vengeance for me, and subdues peoples under me.

48 He rescues me from my enemies. Yes, you lift me up above **thos**e who rise up against me. You deliver me from the violent man.

49 **Theref**ore will I give **th**anks to you, YAHWEH, among the nations, and will sing praises to your name.

50 He gives great deliverance to his king, and **show**s loving kindness to his anointed, to David and to his offspring, forever more.

Psalm 19

1.The heavens declare the glory of EL. The expanse **show**s his handiwork.

2 Day after day **they** pour **out** speech, and night after night **they** display knowledge.

3 **There** is no speech nor language, where **their** voice is not heard.

4 **Their** voice has gone **out** **th**rough **all** the **ear**th, **their** words to the end of the world. In **them** he has set a tent for the sun,

5 **which** is as a bridegroom coming **out** of his room, like a strong man rejoicing to run his course.

6 His going **out** is from the end of the heavens, his circuit to its ends; **There** is nothing hidden from its heat.

7 YAHWEH'S Torah is perfect, restoring the soul. YAHWEH'S testimony is sure, making wise the simple.

8 YAHWEH'S **precepts** are **right**, rejoicing the **heart**. YAHWEH'S commandment is **pure**, enlightening the **eyes**.

9 The **fear** of YAHWEH is **clean**, enduring forever. YAHWEH'S **ordinances** are **true**, and **righteous** **altogether**.

10 **More** to be **desired** are **they** **than** **gold**, yes, **than** **much** **fine** **gold**; **sweeter** **also** **than** **honey** and the extract of the **honeycomb**.

11 **Moreover** **by** **them** is **your** **servant** **warned**. In **keeping** **them** **there** is **great** **reward**.

12 **Who** can **discern** his **errors**? Forgive me from hidden **errors**.

13 **Keep** back **your** **servant** **also** from **presumptuous** **sins**. Let **them** not have dominion **over** me. **Then** I will **be** **upright**. I will be **blameless** and **innocent** of **great** **transgression**.

14 Let the **words** of **my** **mouth** and the **meditation** of **my** heart be **acceptable** in **your** **sight**, YAHWEH, **my** rock, and **my** **redeemer**.

Psalm 20

1 **May** YAHWEH answer you in the **day** of trouble. **May** the **name** of the Elohim of **Jacob** set you up on **high**,

2 send you help from the sanctuary, grant you **support** from **Zion**

3 remember **all** **your** offerings, and **accept** **your** **burnt** sacrifice.

4 **May** He grant you **your** heart's **desire**, and **fulfill** **all** **your** **counsel**.

5 We will **triumph** in **your** **salvation**. In the **name** of **our** Elohim, we will set up **our** **banners**. **May** YAHWEH grant **all** **your** **requests**.

6 **Now** I **know** **that** YAHWEH **saves** his anointed. He will answer him from his **holy** heaven, with the **saving** **strength** of his **right** hand.

7 **Some** trust in **chariots**, and **some** in **horses**, but we trust the **name** of YAHWEH **our** Elohim.

8 **They** are **bowed** **down** and **fallen**, but we **rise** up, and stand **upright**.

9 **Save**, YAHWEH! Let the King answer us **when** we **call**!

Psalm 21

1 The king **rejoices** in **your** **strength**, YAHWEH! **How** **greatly** he **rejoices** in **your** **salvation**!

2 You have given him his heart's **desire**, and have not **withheld** the **request** of his lips. Meditate.

3 Fôr you meet him with the blessings of goodness. You set a crown of fine gold on his head.

4 He asked life of you, you gave it to him, even length of days forever and ever.

5 His glory is great in your salvation. You lay honor and majesty on him.

6 Fôr you make him most blessed forever. You make him glad with joy in your presence.

7 For the king trusts in YAHWEH. Through the loving kindness of the Most High, he shall not be moved.

8 Your hand will find out all of your enemies. Your right hand will find out those who hate you.

9 You will make them as a fiery furnace in the time of your anger. YAHWEH will swallow them up in his wrath. The fire shall devour them.

10 You will destroy their descendants from the earth, their posterity from among the children of men.

11 Fôr they intended evil against you. They plotted evil against you which cannot succeed.

12 For you will make them turn their back, when you aim drawn bows at their face.

13 Be exalted, YAHWEH, in your strength, so we will sing and praise your power.

Psalm 22

My EL, my EL, Why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from helping me, and from the words of my groaning?

2 Oh my Elohim, I cry in the daytime, but you don't answer; in the night season, and am not silent.

3 But you are holy, you who inhabit the praises of Israel.

4 Our fathers trusted in you. They trusted, and you delivered them.

5 They cried to you, and were delivered. They trusted in you, and were not disappointed.

6 But I am a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised by the people.

7 All **thoſe** **who** **see** me mock me. **They** insult me **with** **their** lips. **They** **shake** **their** headſ, ſaying,

8 “**He** trusts in YAHWEH; let him deliver him. Let him **reſc**ue him, ſin**ç**e he **del**ights in him.”

9 But you **br**o**u**ght me **o**ut of the **w**omb. You **ma**de me trust at **my** **m**other's breasts.

10 I was **th**rown on you from **my** **m**other's **w**omb. You are **my** Elohim ſin**ç**e **my** **m**other **b**o**r**e me.

11 **Don't** be **f**ä**r** from me, for trouble is **ne**ar. **F**o**r** **th**ere is no one to help.

12 Many **bu**llſ have ſur**r**ounded me. Strong **bu**llſ of Baſhan have en**ç**ircled me.

13 **They** **open** **th**eir **m**outhſ wide **ag**ainst me, **li**onſ tearing prey and **r**o**a**ring.

14 I am **p**o**u**red **o**ut **li**ke **w**ä**t**er. All **my** **bo**neſ are **o**ut of joint. **My** **he**ä**r**t is **li**ke wax; it is melted **with**in me.

15 **My** **stre**ng**th** is **d**ried up **li**ke a pot**sh**ê**r**d. **My** **t**ong**ue** sticks to the **ro**o**f** of **my** **m**outh. You have **br**o**u**ght me into the dust of **de**at**h**.

16 For **dog**ſ have ſur**r**ounded me. A **c**o**m**pany of **ev**ildo**e**erſ have en**c**lo**s**ed me. **They** have **pie**ç**e**d **my** **hand**ſ and **fe**et.

17 I can **c**o**u**nt **ä**ll of **my** **bo**neſ. **They** **l**o**o**k and **st**are at me.

18 **They** divide **my** **g**ä**r**ments **am**o**n**g **th**em. **They** **c**ä**st** lots for **my** **clo**thing.

19 But **don't** be **f**ä**r** off, YAHWEH. You are **my** **h**elp: hurry to help me.

20 Deliver **my** **s**oul from the **sw**o**r**d, **my** **pre**ç**i**ous **li**fe from the **p**o**w**er of the dog.

21 **S**av**e** me from the **li**o**n**'s **m**outh! Yes, from the **h**o**r**nſ of the **w**ild oxen, you have **ans**wered **me**.

22 I will **de**cl**a**re **y**o**u**r **na**me to **my** **bro**th**e**rſ. **A**m**o**n**g** the assembly, I will **pr**ai**s**e you.

23 You **who** **f**ear YAHWEH, **pr**ai**s**e him! All **y**o**u** **de**ſ**c**endants of **J**acob, **gl**o**r**ify him! Stand in **ä**w**e** of him, **ä**ll you **de**ſ**c**endants of **I**ſ**r**ael!

24 For he haſ not **de**ſpi**s**ed **n**o**r** abh**o**rr**e**d the afflictio**n** of the afflicted. **N**eith**e**r haſ he hidden his **fa**ç**e** from him; but **when** he **cri**ed to him, he **h**ê**a**rd.

25 Of you **c**o**m**eſ **my** **pr**ai**s**e in the **gr**ea**t** assembly. I will **pay** **my** **v**owſ **b**e**f**o**r**e **tho**ſe **who** **f**ear him.

26 The humble **shall** **e**at and be **s**atisf**i**ed. **They** **shall** **pr**ai**s**e YAHWEH **who** **seek** **ä**fter him. Let **y**o**u**r **he**ä**r**ts live forever.

27 All the ends of the **earth** shall remember and **t**urn to YAHWEH. All the relatives of the **nations** shall **w**orship bef**o**re you.

28 For the king**o**m is YAHWEH'S. He is the **r**uler **o**ver the **nations**.

29 All the **rich** ones of the **earth** shall **e**at and **w**orship. All **tho**se **wh**o go **d**own to the dust shall **b**ow bef**o**re him, **e**ven he **wh**o **c**an't keep his soul **a**live.

30 Posterity shall **s**erve him. Future **g**enerations shall be **t**old ab**o**ut YAHWEH.

31 **T**hey shall **c**ome and shall **d**ec**a**re His **r**ighteousness to a **p**eople **t**hat shall be **b**orn, for has **d**one it

Psalm 23

YAHWEH is my **s**hepherd: I shall lack **n**othing.

2 He **m**akes me **l**ie **d**own in **g**reen **p**astures. He **l**eads me **b**eside still **w**aters.

3 He **r**estores my **s**oul. He **g**uides me in the **p**aths of **r**ighteousness for his **n**ame's **s**ake.

4 Even **th**ough I **w**alk **t**hrough the **v**alley of the **s**hadow of **d**ea**t**h, I will **f**ear **n**o **e**vil, for you are with me. **Y**our rod and **y**our **s**täff, **t**hey **c**omfort me.

5 You **p**repare a **t**able bef**o**re me in the **p**resen**c**e of my **e**nemies. You anoint my **h**ead **w**ith oil. **M**y cup runs **o**ver.

6 **S**urely **g**oodness and **l**oving **k**indness shall **f**ollow me **a**ll the **d**ays of my **l**ife, and I will dwell in YAHWEH '**S** **h**ouse forever.

Psalm 24

The **earth** is YAHWEH'S, **w**ith its **f**ullness; the **w**orld, and **tho**se **wh**o dwell **t**herein.

2 For he has **f**ounded it on the **s**ea**s**, and **e**stablished it on the **f**loods.

3 **Wh**o may **a**scend to YAHWEH'S hill? **Wh**o may stand in his **h**oly **p**lace?

4 He **wh**o has **c**lean **h**ands and a **p**ure **h**eä**r**t; **wh**o has **n**ot lifted up his **s**oul to **f**alse**h**ood, and has not **s**worn **d**eceitfully.

5 He shall **r**ec**e**ive a blessing from YAHWEH, **r**ighteousness from the **E**lohim of his **s**alv**a**tion.

6 **T**his is the **g**eneration of **tho**se **wh**o **s**eek Him, **wh**o **s**eek **y**our face, **e**ven **J**acob.

7 Lift up **y**our **h**eads, you **g**ates! Be lifted up, you **e**ver**l**asting **d**oors, and the King of **g**l**o**ry will **c**ome in.

8 Who is the King of glôry? YAHWEH strong and mîghty, YAHWEH mîghty in battle.

9 Lift up yôur headş, you gatęs; yes, lift them up, you everlăsting dôorş, and the King of glôry will côme in.

10 Who is this King of glôry? YAHWEH of ârmieş is the King of glôry!

Psalm 25

To you, YAHWEH, dę I lift up my soul.

2 My Elohim, I have trusted in you. Don't let me be shamed. Don't let my enemies triumph over me.

3 Yes, no one who waits for you shall be shamed. They shall be shamed who deal treacherously without câuşe.

4 Show me yôur wayş, YAHWEH. Teach me yôur păths.

5 Guide me in yôur truth, and teach me, For you are the Elohim of my salvation, I wait for you âll day long.

6 YAHWEH, remember yôur tender mêrçieş and yôur loving kindness, for they are from old timeş.

7 Don't remember the sinş of my youth, nôr my tranşgressionş. Remember me accôrding to yôur loving kindness, for yôur gôôdness' sake, YAHWEH.

8 Gôôd and uprîght is YAHWEH, therefôre he will instruct sinnersş in the way.

9 He will guide the humble in justîçe. He will teach the humble his way.

10 All the păths of YAHWEH are loving kindness and truth to such as keep his côvenant and his testimônies.

11 For yôur name's sake, YAHWEH, pardon my iniquity, for it is great.

12 What man is he who fearş YAHWEH? He shall instruct him in the way that he shall cheeşe.

13 His soul shall dwell at ease. His offspring shall inherit the land.

14 The friendship of YAHWEH is with thoşe who fear him. He will show them his côvenant.

15 My eyęş are ever on YAHWEH, for he will pluck my feet ęut of the net.

16 Tûrn to me, and have mêrçy on me, for I am deşolate and afflicted.

17 The troubleş of my heărt are enlărged. Oh bring me ęut of my distresses.

- 18 C**o**n**s**ider my affliction and my travail. Forgive **ä**ll my sin**ş**.
- 19 C**o**n**s**ider my enem**i**e**ş**, for **th**ey are many. **Th**ey hate me with cruel hatred.
- 20 **O**h keep my soul, and deliver me . Let me not be disappointed, for I take refuge in you.
- 21 Let integrity and up**r**ightness pres**e**rve me, for I wait for you.
- 22 Rede**e**em I**ş**rael, Oh Elohim, **o**ut **ä**ll of his trouble**ş**.

Psalm 26

- 1 Jud**g**e me, YAHWEH, for I have w**ä**lk**e**d in my integrity. I have trusted **ä**lso in YAHWEH with**o**ut wav**e**ring.
- 2 Examine me, YAHWEH, and pr**e**ve me. Try my he**ä**rt and my mind.
- 3 For y**ö**ur loving kindness is bef**ö**re my ey**e****ş**. I have w**ä**lk**e**d in y**ö**ur truth.
- 4 I have not sat with de**ç**eit**f**ul men, **n**eith**e**r will I go in with Hypocrites.
- 5 I hate the assembly of evild**ö**er**ş**, and will not sit with the wicked.
- 6 I will w**a**sh my hand**ş** in innocen**ç**e, so I will go about y**ö**ur ältar, YAHWEH;
- 7 **th**at I may make the vo**i**ç**e** of **T**hanksgiving to be h**e**ard, and tell of **ä**ll y**ö**ur w**ö**ndrous deed**ş**.
- 8 YAHWEH, I l**ö**ve the habitation of y**ö**ur h**ö**us**e**, the plac**e** where y**ö**ur gl**ö**ry dwell**ş**.
- 9 Don't gather my soul with sinners**ş**, n**ö**r my life with bl**ö**odth**i**rsty men;
- 10 in wh**ö**se hand**ş** is wickedness, **th**eir right hand is full of brib**e****ş**.
- 11 But as for me, I will w**ä**lk in my integrity. Rede**e**em me, and be m**ê**rcif**ü**l to me.
- 12 My f**ö**ot stand**ş** in an even plac**e**. In the congregat**i**ön**ş** I will bless YAHWEH .

Psalm 27

- YAHWEH is my light and my salvation. Wh**ö**m shall I fear? YAHWEH is the streng**th** of my life. Of wh**ö**m shall I be afraid?
- 2 When evild**ö**er**ş** came at me to eat up my flesh, even my adv**ê**rsarie**ş** and my fo**e****ş**, **th**ey stumbled and fell.
- 3 **Th**ough an ärm**y** sh**ö**uld encamp against me, my he**ä**rt shall not fear. **Th**ough w**ä**r sh**ö**uld ris**e** against me, even **th**en I will be confident.

4 One **th**ing I have **ä**sked of YAHWEH, **th**at I will **see**k after, **th**at I may dwell in YAHWEH'S **hou**se **ä**ll the **day**s of my **life**, to **see** YAHWEH'S **be**auty, and to **in**quire in his temple.

5 For in the **day** of trouble he will **keep** me **secretly** in his pavilion. In the **covê**rt of his tabernacle he will **h**ide me. He will lift me up on a rock.

6 **N**ow **my** head will be lifted up **abô**ve **my** **enemie**s **arô**und me. I will offer **sacrific**es of joy in his tent. I will sing, yes, I will sing **prais**es to YAHWEH.

7 **H**ear YAHWEH, **wh**en I **cry** **with** **my** **voiç**e. Have **mê**rcy **ä**lso on me, and answer me.

8 **W**hen you said, "**S**ee**k** **my** **faç**e," my **heä**rt said to you, "I will **see**k **yô**ur **faç**e, YAHWEH."

9 **D**on't **h**ide **yô**ur **faç**e from me. **D**on't **pû**t **yô**ur **sê**rvant **away** in anger. You have **been** **my** help. **D**on't **aband**oned me, **neither** **forsake** me, Oh Elohim of my **salvati**on.

10 **W**hen **my** **fä**ther and **my** **mô**ther **forsake** me, **th**en YAHWEH will **take** me up.

11 **T**each me **yô**ur **way**, YAHWEH. **L**ead me in a **straigh**t **pä**th, **becä**use of my **enemie**s.

12 **D**on't deliver me **over** to the **de**si~~r~~e of **my** **advê**saries, for **fä**lse witnesses have **ri**sen up **again**st me, **such** as **breath**e **out** cruelty.

13 I am still confident of **this**: I will **see** the **gô**odness of YAHWEH in the land of the living.

14 Wait for YAHWEH. Be strong, and let **yô**ur **heä**rt **take** **courag**e. Yes, wait for YAHWEH.

Psalm 28

To you, YAHWEH, I **cä**ll. **My** rock, **don't** be deaf to me; lest, if you are **silent** to me, I **wô**uld **becô**me **like** **tho**se **whô** **go** **down** into the pit.

2 **H**ear the **voiç**e of **my** **petiti**ons, **wh**en I **cry** to you, **wh**en I lift up **my** **hand**s **towä**rd **yô**ur **M**ost **H**oly **Plac**e.

3 **D**on't **drä**w me **away** **with** the wicked, **with** the **wô**rk~~e~~s of **iniquity** **whô** **spea**k **pea**ce **with** **thei**r **neigh**bor~~s~~, but **misch**ief is in **thei**r **heä**rts.

4 **G**ive **th**em **accô**rding to **thei**r **wô**rk, and **accô**rding to the wickedness of **thei**r **de**ing~~s~~. **G**ive **th**em **accô**rding to the **operati**on of **thei**r **hand**s. **B**ring back on **th**em **whä**t **the**y **de**se~~r~~ve.

5 **B**ecä~~u~~se **the**y **don't** respect the **wô**rk~~s~~ of YAHWEH, **nô**r the **operati**on of his **hand**s, he will **bre**ak **th**em **down** and not **build** **th**em up.

6 Blessed be YAHWEH, because he has heard the voice of my petitions.

7 YAHWEH is my strength and my shield. My heart has trusted in him, and I am helped. Therefore my heart greatly rejoices. With my song I will thank him.

8 YAHWEH is their strength. He is a stronghold of salvation to his anointed.

9 Save your people, and bless your inheritance. Be their shepherd also, and bear them up forever.

Psalm 29

Ascribe to YAHWEH, you sons of the mighty, ascribe to YAHWEH glory and strength.

2 Ascribe to YAHWEH the glory due to his name. Worship YAHWEH in holy array.

3 YAHWEH'S voice is on the waters. The Elohim of glory thunders, even YAHWEH on many waters.

4 YAHWEH'S voice is powerful. YAHWEH'S voice is full of majesty.

5 YAHWEH'S voice breaks the cedars. Yes, YAHWEH breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.

6 He makes them also to skip like a calf; Lebanon and Sirion like a young, wild ox.

7 YAHWEH'S voice strikes with flashes of lightning.

8 YAHWEH'S voice shakes the wilderness. YAHWEH shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

9 YAHWEH'S voice makes the deer calve, and strips the forests bare. In his temple everything says, "Glory!"

10 YAHWEH sat enthroned at the Flood. Yes, YAHWEH sits as King forever.

11 YAHWEH will give strength to his people. YAHWEH will bless his people with peace.

Psalm 30

I will extol you, YAHWEH, for you have raised me up, and have not made my foes to rejoice over me.

2 YAHWEH my Elohim, I cried to you, and you have healed me.

3 YAHWEH, you have brought up my soul from Sheol. You have kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.

- 4 Sing **prai**~~s~~**e** to YAHWEH, you **sa**~~i~~**nts** of his. Give **th**~~a~~**nks** to his **hol**~~y~~ **name**.
- 5 For his anger is but for a **mo**~~m~~**ent**. His **fa**~~v~~**or** is for a **lif**~~e~~**time**. **We**~~e~~**eping may** **st**~~a~~**y** for the **ni**~~gh~~**t**, but joy **co**~~m~~**e**~~s~~ in the **mo**~~r~~**ning**.
- 6 As for me, I said in **my** prosperity, "I **sh**~~a~~**ll never be mo**~~v~~**ed**."
- 7 You, YAHWEH, *when* you **fa**~~v~~**ored** me, **ma**~~d~~**e** **my** **mo**~~u~~**ntain** stand strong; but *when* you hid **yô**~~u~~**r fa**~~ç~~**e**, I was troubled.
- 8 I **cri**~~e~~**d** to you, YAHWEH . To YAHWEH I **ma**~~d~~**e** **supplica**~~t~~**ion**:
- 9 "W~~h~~**at** profit is **the**~~r~~**e** in **my** **destruc**~~t~~**ion**, if I **go** **do**~~w~~**n** to the pit? **Sh**~~a~~**ll** the dust **prai**~~s~~**e** you? **Sh**~~a~~**ll** it **decla**~~r~~**e** **yô**~~u~~**r truth**?
- 10 **Hea**~~r~~, YAHWEH, and have **mê**~~r~~**cy** on me. YAHWEH , be **my** helper."
- 11 You have **tû**~~r~~**ned** **my** **mô**~~u~~**rning** into **danc**~~i~~**ng** for me. You have **remo**~~v~~**ed** **my** **sackcloth**, and **cloth**~~e~~**d** me **with** gladness,
- 12 To the end **that** **my** **heä**~~r~~**t** **may** sing **prai**~~s~~**e** to you, and not be **sil**~~e~~**nt**. YAHWEH **my** Elohim, I will give **th**~~a~~**nks** to you forever!

Psalm 31

- In you, YAHWEH, I **take** **refu**~~g~~**e**. Let me never be disappointed. Deliver me in **yô**~~u~~**r righte**~~o~~**usness**.
- 2 **Bow** **do**~~w~~**n** **yô**~~u~~**r** **ear** to me. Deliver me **speed**~~i~~**ly**. Be to me a strong rock, a **hou**~~s~~**e** of defense to **save** me.
- 3 For you are **my** rock and **my** **fô**~~r~~**tness**, **therefô**~~r~~**e** for **yô**~~u~~**r name**~~s~~ **sake** **lea**~~d~~ me and **gui**~~d~~**e** me.
- 4 Pluck me **ou**~~t~~ of the net **that** **they** have **laid** **secretly** for me, for you are **my** **stronghold**.
- 5 Into **yô**~~u~~**r** hand I commend **my** spirit. You **rede**~~e~~**em** me, YAHWEH, EL of **truth**.
- 6 I **hate** **tho**~~s~~**e** who **regä**~~r~~**d** **ly****ing** **vanitie**~~s~~, but I trust in YAHWEH.
- 7 I will **be** glad and **rejoic**~~e~~ in **yô**~~u~~**r** **lo**~~v~~**ing** **kindness**, for you have **seen** **my** **afflic**~~t~~**ion**. You have **known** **my** **soul** in **advê**~~r~~**sitie**~~s~~.
- 8 You have not **shut** me up into the hand of the enemy. You have set **my** **feet** in a **lä**~~r~~**ge** **plac**~~e~~.
- 9 Have **mê**~~r~~**cy** on me, YAHWEH, for I am in distress. **My** **ey**~~e~~, **my** **soul**, and **my** **body** **waste** away **with** grief.
- 10 For **my** **life** is spent **with** sorrow, **my** **year**~~s~~ **with** **sigh**~~i~~**ng**. **My** **streng**~~th~~ **fail**~~s~~ **beca**~~u~~**se** of **my** **iniquity**. **My** **bone**~~s~~ are **wasted** away.

11 Because of **all** my **adversaries** I have become utterly contemptible to my **neighbors**, a fear to my **acquaintances**. **Those** who **saw** me on the **street** fled from me.

12 I am forgotten from **their** **hearts** like a dead man. I am like **broken** pottery.

13 For I have **heard** the slander of many, terror on every **side**, while **they** conspire together against me, **they** plot to **take** away my **life**.

14 But I trust in you, YAHWEH. I said, "You are my **Elohim**."

15 **My** **times** are in **your** hand. Deliver me from the hand of my **enemies**, and from **those** who **persecute** me.

16 **Make** **your** **face** to **shine** on **your** **servant**. **Save** me in **your** **loving** **kindness**.

17 Let me not be disappointed, YAHWEH, for I have **called** on you. Let the wicked be disappointed. Let **them** be silent in **Sheol**.

18 Let the **lying** lips be **mute**, which **speak** against the **righteous** insolently, with **pride** and contempt.

19 **Oh** **how** **great** is **your** **goodness**, which you have **laid** up for **those** who **fear** you, which you have **worked** for **those** who **take** refuge in you, **before** the **sons** of men!

20 In the **shelter** of **your** **presence** you will **hide** **them** from the plotting of man. You will **keep** **them** **secretly** in a dwelling away from the strife of **tongues**.

21 **Praise** **be** to YAHWEH, for **he** has **shown** **me** his **marvelous** **loving** **kindness** in a strong **city**.

22 As for me, I said in **haste**, "I am cut off from **before** **your** **eyes**." Nevertheless you **heard** the **voice** of my **petitions** when I **cried** to you.

23 **Oh** **love** YAHWEH, **all** you his **saints**! YAHWEH **preserves** the **faithful**, and **fully** recompenses him who **behaves** arrogantly.

24 Be strong, and let **your** **heart** **take** **courage**, **all** you who **hope** in YAHWEH.

Psalm 32

Blessed is he whose disobedience is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

2 Blessed is the man to whom YAHWEH doesn't impute iniquity, in whose spirit there is no deceit.

3 When I kept silence, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long.

4 For day and night your hand was heavy on me. My strength was sapped in the heat of summer.

5 I acknowledged **g**ed my sin to you. I didn't hide my iniquity. I said, I will confess my transgressions to YAHWEH, and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

6 For **th**is, let everyone who is godly pray to you in a time when you may be found. Surely when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach to him.

7 You are my hiding place. You will preserve me from trouble. You will surround me with songs of deliverance.

8 I will instruct you and teach you in the way which you shall go. I will counsel you with my eye on you.

9 Don't be like the horse, or like the mule, which have no understanding, who are controlled by bit and bridle, or else they will not come near to you.

10 Many sorrows come to the wicked, but loving kindness shall surround him who trusts in YAHWEH.

11 Be glad in YAHWEH, and rejoice, you righteous! Shout for joy, all you who are upright in heart!

Psalm 33

Rejoice in YAHWEH, you righteous! Praise is fitting for the upright.

2 Give thanks to YAHWEH with the lyre. Sing praises to him with the harp of ten strings.

3 Sing to him a new song. Play skillfully with a shout of joy!

4 For YAHWEH'S word is right. All his work is done in faithfulness.

5 He loves righteousness and justice. The earth is full of the loving kindness of YAHWEH.

6 By YAHWEH'S word, the heavens were made; all their army by the breath of his mouth.

7 He gathers the waters of the sea together as a heap. He lays up the deeps in storehouses.

8 Let all the earth fear YAHWEH. Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.

9 For he spoke, and it was done. He commanded, and it stood firm.

10 YAHWEH brings the counsel of the nations to nothing. He makes the thoughts of the people to be of no effect.

11 The counsel of YAHWEH stands fast forever, the thoughts of his heart to all generations.

12 Blessed is the **nati**on **who**s_e Elohim is YAHWEH, the **pe**ople **who**m he ha**s**
chos_en for his **own** inherita**n**c_e.

13 YAHWEH **loo**ks from heaven. He **see**s **a**ll the **so**n**s** of men.

14 From the **plac**e of his habita**ti**on he **loo**ks **ou**t on **a**ll the inhabitants of the
ear**th**,

15 he **who** **fash**i**o**n**s** **a**ll of **the**ir he**ä**r**t**s; and he **co**nside**r**s **a**ll of **the**ir **wö**r**k**s.

16 **There** is no king **sav**ed **by** the multitu**d**e of an **ä**rmy. A **mi**ghty man is not
delivered **by** gre**a**t streng**th**.

17 A **hör**se is a **vain** **th**ing **för** **saf**e**t**y, **ne**ither **do**e**s** he deliver any **by** his gre**a**t
power.

18 Behold, YAHWEH'S **ey**e is on **tho**s_e **who** fear him, on **tho**s_e **who** hope in
his **lo**ving kind**n**ess;

19 to deliver **the**ir soul from dea**th**, to **keep** **them** alive in famine.

20 Our soul ha**s** waited for YAHWEH . He is **ou**r help and **ou**r **sh**ield.

21 For **ou**r he**ä**r**t** rejo**i**c**e**s in him, be**ca**u**s**e we have trusted in hi**s** **ho**ly **na**me.

22 Let **yö**ur **lo**ving kind**n**ess be on us, YAHWEH, **sin**c**e** we have **hope**d in you.

Psalm 34

I will bless YAHWEH at **a**ll **ti**m**e**s. Hi**s** **prai**s_e will **a**l**wa**y**s** be in my **mo**u**th**.

2 My soul **sh**all bo**a**sted in YAHWEH. The humble **sh**all **hear** of it, and be glad.

3 Oh magnify YAHWEH **with** me. Let us ex**a**lt hi**s** **na**me **to**ge**th**er.

4 I **sö**ught YAHWEH, and he answered me, and delivered me from **a**ll my **fear**s.

5 **They** **loo**k**e**d to him, and were radiant. **The**ir **fa**c**e**s shall never be **co**vered
with **shame**.

6 **This** **pö**or man **cri**ed, and YAHWEH **he**ard him, and **sav**ed him **ou**t of **a**ll hi**s**
trouble**s**.

7 YAHWEH'S **an**gel encamps **arou**nd **tho**s_e **who** fear him, and deliver**s**
them.

8 **Oh** **taste** and **see** **that** YAHWEH is **gö**od. Blessed is the man **who** **takes** **refuge**
in him.

9 **Oh** fear YAHWEH, you his **sa**ints, for **there** is no lack **with** **tho**s_e **who** fear him.

10 The young **liö**n**s** **de** lack, and suffer hunger, but **tho**s_e **who** **seek** YAHWEH
shall not lack any **gö**od **th**ing.

- 11 Còme, you **children**, listen to me. I will **teach** you the **fear** of YAHWEH.
- 12 Wh~~e~~ is **someone** wh~~e~~ **desireš** **life**, and **loveš** many **days**, **that** he may **see** **gòod**?
- 13 **Keep** y~~our~~ **tongue** from **evil**, and y~~our~~ lips from **speaking** **lieš**.
- 14 Dep~~art~~ from **evil**, and **de** **gòod**, **seek** **peaçe**, and **pûrsue** it.
- 15 YAHWEH'S **eyeš** are tow~~ard~~ the **righteous**. His **earš** listen to **their** cry.
- 16 YAHWEH'S **façe** is against **thoše** wh~~e~~ **de** **evil**, to cut off **their** memory from the **êarth**.
- 17 The **righteous** cry, and Y~~ah~~weh **hearš**, and deliverš **them** **out** of **âll** **their** troubleš.
- 18 YAHWEH is **near** to **thoše** wh~~e~~ have a **broken** he~~ar~~t, and **saveš** **thoše** wh~~e~~ have a **crushed** spirit.
- 19 Many are the afflictionš of the **righteous**, but YAHWEH deliverš him **out** of **them** **âll**.
- 20 He protects **âll** of his **boneš**. Not one of **them** is **broken**.
- 21 **Evil** **shall** kill the wicked. **Thoše** wh~~e~~ **hate** the **righteous** **shall** be **còndemned**.
- 22 YAHWEH rede~~em~~š the soul of his s~~er~~vants. **Nòne** of **thoše** wh~~e~~ **take** refuge in him **shall** be **còndemned**.

Psalm 35

- 1 Contend, YAHWEH, with **thoše** wh~~e~~ contend with me. **Fight** against **thoše** wh~~e~~ **fight** against me.
- 2 **Take** hold of **shield** and buckler, and stand up for **my** help.
- 3 Brandish the **spear** and block **thoše** wh~~e~~ **pûrsue** me. Tell **my** soul, "I am y~~our~~ **salvation**."
- 4 Let **thoše** wh~~e~~ **seek** after **my** soul be disappointed and br~~ou~~ght to dishonor. Let **thoše** wh~~e~~ plot **my** ruin be t~~ur~~ned back and confounded.
- 5 Let **them** be as **chäff** bef~~ore~~ the wind, YAHWEH'S **angel** driving **them** on.
- 6 Let **their** way be d~~ar~~k and slippery, YAHWEH'S **angel** pursuing **them**.
- 7 For with~~out~~ **câuš**e **they** have hidden **their** net in a pit for me. With~~out~~ **câuš**e **they** have dug a pit for **my** soul.
- 8 Let destruction **còme** on him unaw~~ar~~ēš. Let his net **that** he haš hidden **catch** himself. Let him f~~all~~ into **that** destruction.
- 9 **My** soul **shall** be joyf~~ul~~ in YAHWEH. It **shall** rejoic~~e~~ in his **salvation**.

10 All my **bone**_s shall say, "YAHWEH, **who** is **like** you, **who** deliver_s the p_oor from him **who** is **too** strong for him; yes, the p_oor and the **needy** from him **who** rob_s him?"

11 Unrigh_teous witnesses ri_se up. **They** äsk me about **things** that I don't know about.

12 **They** rewärd me **evil** for g_ood, to the bere_eaving of my **soul**.

13 But as for me, when **they** were sick, my **clothing** was sackcloth. I afflicted my **soul** with fästing. My prayer ret_urn_ed into my **own** bö_som.

14 I behav_ed myself as **though** it had been my friend or my brother I bow_ed down m_ourn_ing, as one **who** m_ourn_s his m_other.

15 But in my adv_ersity, **they** rejoic_ed, and gather_ed **themselves** together. The attacker_s gather_ed **themselves** together against me, and I didn't know it. **They** t_ore at me, and didn't **ce**ase.

16 Like the profane mocker_s in feasts, **they** gnash_ed their **teeth** at me.

17 **Oh**, YAHWEH h_ow long will you lo_ok on? Rescue my **soul** from **their** destructi_on, my prec_ious **life** from the lion_s.

18 I will give you **th**anks in the great assembly. I will prais_e you am_ong many **people**.

19 Don't let **thos**_e **who** are my **enemie**_s wrongf_ully rejoic_e over me; **neither** let **thos**_e **who** hate me with_out a cäus_e wink **their** ey_e_s.

20 For **they** don't speä_k peä_ce, but **they** devis_e de_ceitf_ul w_ord_s against **thos**_e **who** are **quiet** in the land.

21 Yes, **they** open_ed **their** m_outh wide against me. **They** said, "Aha! Aha! **o**ur ey_e has seen it!"

22 You have seen it, YAHWEH. Don't keep silent. **Oh**, YAHWEH don't be fä_r from me.

23 Wake up! Ri_se up to defend me, my Elohim! My Elohim and my Adonai, contend f_or me!

24 Vindicat_e me, YAHWEH my Elohim, acc_ording to y_our righ_teousness. Don't let **them** gloat over me.

25 Don't let **them** say in **their** heä_rt, "Aha! **That's** the way we want it!" Don't let **them** say, "We have swä_llowed him up!"

26 Let **them** be disappointed and conf_ounded together **who** rejoic_e at my calamity. Let **them** be cloth_ed with **shame** and dishonor **who** magnify **themselves** against me.

27 Let **them shout** for joy and be glad, **who** favor my **righteous cause**. Yes, let **them say continually**, "YAHWEH be magnified, **who** has **pleasure** in the prosperity of his **sêrvant**!"

28 My **tongue shall talk** about **yôur righteousness** and about **yôur praise** **all day long**.

Psalm 36

An inner **sanctuary** is **within my heärt** about the **disobediencê** of the wicked: "**There is no fear** of Elohim **befôre his eyes**."

2 For he flatter**s** himself in his **own eyes**, **too much** to detect and **hate** his sin.

3 The **wôrd**s**** of his **mou**th**** are iniquity and **deçeit**. He has **ceas**e**d** to be **wis**e**** and to **d**e**** **g**o**ô**d****.

4 He plots iniquity on his bed. He sets himself in a **way that** is not **g**o**ô**d****. He **d**o**e**s**n't** abh**ô**r **evil**.

5 **Yôur loving kindness**, YAHWEH, is in the **heaven**s****. **Yôur faithfulness** **reach**e**s** to the **skie**s****.

6 **Yôur righteousness** is **like** the **mou**n**tain**s**** of Elohim. **Yôur judgments** are **like** a **great deep**. YAHWEH, you **pres**e**rve** man and animal.

7 **H**ow** precious** is **yôur loving kindness**, Oh Elohim! The **children of men** **take refuge** under the **shadow** of **yôur wings**.

8 **They shall** be abundantly **satisfied with** the **abundanc**e**** of **yôur house**. You will **make them** drink of the river of **yôur pleasure**s****.

9 For **with** you is the spring of **life**. In **yôur light** **shall we see light**

10 **Oh continu**e**** **yôur loving kindness** to **thos**e** who** know you, your **righteousness** to the **upright in heärt**.

11 **Don't** let the **fo**o**t** of **pride** **c**o**m**e**** **against** me. **Don't** let the hand of the wicked **drive** me **away**.

12 **There** the **wôrk**e**r**s**** of iniquity are **fâllen**. **They** are **thrust down**, and **shall** not be **able** to **ris**e****.

Psalm 37

1 **Don't** fret **beca**u**s**e**** of **evildo**e**r**s****, **neither** be envious **against thos**e** who** **wôrk unrighteousness**.

2 For **they shall soon** be cut **down like** the **grä**s**s**, and **with**e**r** **like** the **green herb**.

3 Trust in YAHWEH, and **d**e**** **g**o**ô**d****. Dwell in the land, and enjoy **safe p**ä**sture**.

- 4 Also delight yôurself in YAHWEH, and he will give you the desîres of yôur heärt.
- 5 Commit yôur way to YAHWEH. Trust âlso in him, and he will dë this:
- 6 He will make yôur rightëousness go out as the light, and yôur justicë as the noon day sun.
- 7 Rest in YAHWEH, and wait patiently for him. Don't fret becaûse of him who prosper\$ in his way, becaûse of the man whoë makes wicked plots happen.
- 8 Cease from anger, and forsake wräth. Don't fret, it lead\$ only to evildoing.
- 9 For evildoers\$ shall be cut off, but tho\$e whoë wait for YAHWEH shall inherit the land.
- 10 For yet a little while, and the wicked will be no môre. Yes, though you lóok for his place, he isn't there.
- 11 But the humble shall inherit the land, and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peacë.
- 12 The wicked plots against the just, and at him with his teeth.
- 13 YAHWEH will läugh at him, for he sees\$ that his day is cöming.
- 14 The wicked have drawn out the swôrd, and have bent their bow, to cäst down the pôor and needy, to kill tho\$e whoë are upright on the päth.
- 15 Their swôrd shall enter into their own heärt. Their bows\$ shall be broken.
- 16 Better is a little that the rightëous has, than the abundance of many wicked.
- 17 For the ärm\$ of the wicked shall be broken, but YAHWEH uphold\$ the rightëous.
- 18 YAHWEH know\$ the days\$ of the përfect. Their inheritancë shall be forever.
- 19 They shall not be disappointed in the time of evil. In the days\$ of famine they shall be satisfiëd.
- 20 But the wicked shall perish. The enemies\$ of YAHWEH shall be like the beauty of the fields\$. They will vanish: vanish like smoke.
- 21 The wicked borrow, and don't pay back, but the rightëous give generously.
- 22 For such as are blessed by him shall inherit the land. Those whoë are cûrsed by him shall be cut off.
- 23 A man's goings\$ are establishëd by YAHWEH. He delights in his way.
- 24 Though he stumble, he shall not fäll, for YAHWEH hold\$ him up with his hand.

25 I have **been** young, and **nôw** am **old**, yet I have not **seen** the **righteous** forsaken, **nôr** his **children** begging for bread.

26 All **day** long he **deals** **graciously**, and lends. His offspring is **blessed**.

27 Depärt from **evil**, and **de** **góód**. Live **securely** forever.

28 For YAHWEH **loveš** **justiçe**, and **dôesn't** forsake his **saints**. **They** are **presêrved** forever, but the **children** of the wicked **shall be** cut off.

29 The **righteous** **shall** inherit the land, and live in it forever.

30 The **mouth** of the **righteous** **tâks** of **wisdom**. His **tongue** **speaks** **justiçe**.

31 The **Tôrah** of his Elohim is in his **heärt**. **Nône** of his steps **shall** slide.

32 The wicked **watches** the **righteous**, and **seeks** to kill him.

33 YAHWEH will not **leave** him in his hand, **nôr** **côndemn** him **when** he is **judg**ed.

34 **Wait** for YAHWEH, and **keep** his **way**, and he will **exâlt** you to inherit the land. **When** the wicked are cut off, you **shall see** it.

35 I have **seen** the wicked in **great power**, spreading himself **like** a **green tree** in its **native** soil.

36 But he **pässe**d away, and **behold**, he was not. Yes, I **sôught** him, but he **côuld** not be **found**.

37 **Märk** the **pêrfect** man, and **see** the **upright**, for **there** is a **future** for the man of **peaçe**.

38 As for **transgressorš**, **they shall** be **destroyed** **together**. The **future** of the wicked **shall** be cut off.

39 But the **salvation** of the **righteous** is from YAHWEH. he is **their** **stronghold** in the **time** of trouble.

40 YAHWEH helps **them**, and **rescueš** **them**. He **rescueš** **them** from the wicked, and **saveš** **them**, **becaúš** **they** have **taken** **refuge** in him.

Psalm 38

1 YAHWEH, **don't** **rebuke** me in **yôur** **wrâth**, **neither** **chasten** me in **yôur** hot displea**sure**.

2 For **yôur** **arrowš** have **piêç**ed me, **yôur** hand **presseš** **hârd** on me.

3 **There** is no **soundness** in **my** **flesh** **becaúš** of **yôur** **indignation**, **neither** is **there** any **health** in **my** **boneš** **becaúš** of **my** sin.

4 For **my** **iniquities** have gone **over** **my** head. As a heavy **bûrden**, **they** are **too** heavy for me.

5 **My** wounds are loathsome and corrupt, because of my foolishness.

6 I am pained and bowed down greatly. I go mourning all day long.

7 For my waist is filled with burning. There is no soundness in my flesh.

8 I am faint and severely bruised. I have groaned by reason of the anguish of my heart.

9 Adonai, all my desire is before you. My groaning is not hidden from you.

10 My heart throbs. My strength fails me. As for the light of my eyes, it has also left me.

11 My lovers and my friends stand aloof from my plague. My kinsmen stand far away.

12 They also who seek after my life lay snares. Those who seek my hurt speak mischievous things, and meditate deceits all day long.

13 But I, as a deaf man, don't hear. I am as a mute man who doesn't open his mouth.

14 Yes, I am as a man who doesn't hear, in whose mouth are no reproofs.

15 For in you, Oh YAHWEH, Oh Elohim, do I hope. You will answer, Oh Adonai my Elohim.

16 For I said, "Don't let them gloat over me, or exalt themselves over me when my foot slips."

17 For I am ready to fall. My pain is continually before me.

18 For I will declare my iniquity. I will be sorry for my sin.

19 But my enemies are vigorous and many. Those who hate me without reason are numerous.

20 They who also render evil for good are adversaries to me, because I follow what is good.

21 Don't forsake me, YAHWEH. My Elohim, don't be far from me.

22 Hurry to help me, Adonai, my salvation.

Psalm 39

1 I said, "I will watch my ways, so that I don't sin with my tongue. I will keep my mouth with a bridle while the wicked is before me."

2 I was mute with silence. I held my peace, even from good. My sorrow was stirred.

3 **My** h~~e~~ä~~r~~t was hot w~~ith~~in me. **While** I medit~~a~~ted, the fire b~~u~~rn~~e~~d:I spok~~e~~ with my t~~o~~ng~~ue~~:

4 “YAHWEH, **show** me my **end**, wh~~a~~t is the mea~~s~~ure of my **days**. Let me know how frail I am.

5 Beh~~o~~ld, you have mad~~e~~ my **days** hand w~~id~~ths. My lif~~e~~time is as n~~o~~th~~i~~ng bef~~o~~re you. **Su**rely every man stand~~s~~ as a bre~~a~~th.”

6 “**Su**rely every man w~~a~~ks like a **shadow**. **Su**rely **they** busy **themselves** in vain. He he~~a~~ps up, and d~~o~~e~~s~~n't know wh~~e~~ shall gather.

7 **Now** YAHWEH, wh~~a~~t d~~e~~ I wait for? My hope is in you.

8 Deliver me from **ä**ll my tran~~s~~gression~~s~~. Don't mak~~e~~ me the repro~~a~~ch of the f~~o~~olish.

9 I was mut~~e~~. I didn't **open** my **mouth**, beca~~u~~s~~e~~ you did it.

10 Rem~~o~~ve y~~o~~ur sco~~r~~g~~e~~ away from me. I am overc~~o~~me by the blow of y~~o~~ur hand.

11 When you reb~~u~~ke and correct man for iniquity, You c~~o~~nsume his weal~~t~~h like a moth. **Su**rely every man is but a bre~~a~~th.”

12 “H~~e~~ar my **prayer**, YAHWEH, and give **ear** to my **cry**. Don't be silent at my tear~~s~~. For I am a stran~~g~~er with you, a foreigner, as **ä**ll my fä~~t~~her~~s~~ were.

13 Oh sp~~a~~re me, **that** I may rec~~o~~ver streng~~t~~h, bef~~o~~re I go away, and exist no m~~o~~re.”

Psalm 40

1 I wait~~e~~d patient~~l~~y for YAHWEH. He t~~u~~rn~~e~~d to me, and h~~e~~ard my **cry**

2 He br~~o~~ught me up **ä**lso ~~o~~ut of a horrible pit, ~~o~~ut of the miry clay. he set my **feet** on a rock, and gav~~e~~ me a f~~i~~rm plac~~e~~ to stand.

3 He ha~~s~~ p~~u~~t a new song in my **mouth**, even prais~~e~~ to ~~o~~ur Elohim. Many **shall see** it, and fear, and **shall** trust in YAHWEH.

4 Blessed is the man wh~~e~~ mak~~e~~s YAHWEH his trust, and d~~o~~e~~s~~n't respect the pr~~o~~ud, n~~o~~r such as t~~u~~rn aside to lie~~s~~.

5 Many, YAHWEH my Elohim, are the w~~o~~nderf~~u~~l w~~o~~rks which you have d~~o~~ne, and y~~o~~ur th~~o~~ughts which are tow~~a~~rd us. **They** c~~a~~n't be declar~~e~~d back to you. If I w~~o~~uld declar~~e~~ and speak of **them**, **they** are m~~o~~re **than** can be numbered.

6 Sacrific~~e~~ and offering you didn't des~~i~~re. You have **opened** my **ear~~s~~**. You have not requir~~e~~d b~~u~~rn~~t~~ offering and sin offering.

7 **Then** I said, “Behold, I have cōme. It is written about me in the bōōk in the scroll.

8 I delight to dō yōur will, my Elohim. Yes, yōur lāw is withīn my heärt.”

9 I have proclaimed glad newš of righteousness in the great assembly. Behold, I will not seal my lips YAHWEH. You know.

10 I have not hidden yōur righteousness within my heärt. I have declared yōur faithfulness and yōur salvation. I have not concealed yōur loving kindness and yōur truth from the great assembly.

11 Don't withhold yōur tender mērcies from me, YAHWEH. Let yōur loving kindness and yōur truth continually presēve me.

12 For innumerable evils have surrounded me. My iniquities have overtaken me, so that I am not able to lōōk up. They are mōre than the hairs of my head. My heärt has failed me.

13 Be pleased, YAHWEH, to deliver me. Hurry to help me, YAHWEH.

14 Let them be disappointed and confounded together who seek after my soul to destroy it. Let them be tūrned backward and brōught to dīshonor who delight in my hūrt.

15 Let them be desōlate by reāson of their shame that tell me, “Aha! Aha!”

16 Let āll thoše who seek you rejoice and be glad in you. Let such as love yōur salvation say continually, “Let YAHWEH be exālted!”

17 But I am pōor and needy. May YAHWEH think about me. You are my help and my deliverer. Don't delay, my Elohim.

Psalm 41

1 Blessed is who cōsiderš the pōor. YAHWEH will deliver him in the day of evil.

2 YAHWEH will presēve him, and keep him alive. He shall be blessed on the ēarth, and he will not surrender him to the will of his enemies.

3 YAHWEH will sustain him on his sickbed, and restōre him from his bed of illness.

4 I said, “YAHWEH, have mērcy on me! Heal me, for I have sinned against you.”

5 My enemies speak evil against me: “When will he die, and his name perish?”

6 If he cōmes to see me, he speaks falsehood. His heärt gathers iniquity to itself. When he goes abroad, he tells it.

7 All who hate me whisper together against me. They imagine the wōrst for me.

8 “An **evil diſeasē**”, **they say**, “haſ afflicted him. **Now that** he **lieſ** he **shall riſe** up no **mōre**.”

9 Yes, **my own** familiar friend, in **whom** I trusted, **who ate** bread **with** me, haſ lifted up his **heel** **againſt** me.

10 But you, YAHWEH, have **mērcy** on me, and **raiſe** me up, **that** I **may repay** **them**.

11 By **this** I **know that** you **delight** in me, **becauſe** **my** enemy **doeſn’t triumph** **over** me.

12 As for me, you **uphold** me in **my** integrity, and set me in **yōur preſençe** forever.

13 Blessed be YAHWEH, the Elohim of **Iſrael**, from everlāſting and to everlāſting! Amen and amen.

Psalm 42

1 As the **deer** pants for the **wāter brōoks**, so **my** soul pants after You Oh Elohim. 2 My **soul thiſts** for Elohim, for the living Elohim. When **shall** I **cōme** and **appear** **befōre** Elohim?

3 **My tearſ** have **been** **my** **feed** day and **niġht**, **while** **they cōtinuallſ** **āsk** me, “Where is **yōur** Elohim?”

4 **Theſe thiſgſ** I remember, and **pōur out** **my** soul **within** me, **how** I **uſed** to **go with** the **crowd**, and led **them** to the **houſe** of Elohim **with** the **voiçe** of joy and **praiſe**, a **multitude** **keeping** a **holy** day.

5 **Why** are you in **deſpair**, **my** soul? **Why** are you **diſtūrbed** **within** me? **Hope** in Elohim! For I **shall** still **praiſe** him for the **ſaving** help of his **preſençe**.

6 Oh my Elohim, **my** soul is in **deſpair** **within** me. **Therefōre** I remember you from the land of the **Jōrdan**, the **heights** of **Hērmon**, from the hill Mizar.

7 **Deep cāllſ** to **deep** at the **noiſe** of **yōur wāterfāllſ**. All **yōur waveſ** and **yōur billowſ** have **swept** **over** me.

8 YAHWEH will command hiſ **loving** **kindness** in the **daytime**. In the **niġht** his song **shall** be **with** me: a **prayer** to the Elohim of **my** **life**.

9 I will **āsk** Elohim, **my** rock, “**Why** have you forgotten me? **Why** **de** I go **mōrning** **becauſe** of the **oppreſſiōn** of the enemy?”

10 As **with** a **ſwōrd** in **my** **boneſ**, **my** **advēſarieſ** **reproach** me, **while** **they cōtinuallſ** **āsk** me, “Where iſ **yōur** Elohim?”

11 **Why** are you in despair, **my** soul? **Why** are you disturbed **with**in me? **Hope** in your Elohim! For I **shall** praise him, the saving help of **my** countenance, and **my** Elohim.

Psalm 43

1 Vindicate me, Oh Elohim, and plead **my** cause against an unrighteous nation. Oh, deliver me from deceitful and wicked men.

2 For you are the Elohim of **my** strength. **Why** have you rejected me? **Why** do I go mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?

3 **Oh**, send out **yôur** light and **yôur** truth. Let **them** lead me. Let **them** bring me to **yôur** holy hill, to **yôur** tents.

4 **Then** I will go to the altar of Elohim, to EL, **my** exceeding joy. I will praise you on the harp, Elohim, **my** EL.

5 **Why** are you in despair, **my** soul? **Why** are you disturbed **with**in me? **Hope** in **Elohim**! For I **shall** still praise him: **my** Savior, **my** helper, and **my** **Elohim**.

Psalm 44

1 We have heard **with** **our** ears, Oh Elohim; **our** fathers have told us, **what** work you did in **their** days, in the days of old.

2 You drove out the nations **with** **yôur** hand, but you planted **them**. You afflicted the people, but you spread **them** abroad.

3 For **they** didn't get the land in possession **by** **their** own sword, **neither** did **their** own arm save **them**; but **yôur** right hand, and **yôur** arm, and the light of **yôur** face, because you were favorable to **them**.

4 You are **my** King, Elohim. Command victories for Jacob!

5 **Through** you, will we push down **our** adversaries. **Through** **yôur** name, will we tread **them** under **who** rise up against us.

6 For I will not trust in **my** bow, **neither** shall **my** sword save me.

7 But you have saved us from **our** adversaries, and have shamed **those** **who** hate us.

8 In Elohim we have made **our** boasted all day long, we will give thanks to **yôur** name forever.

9 But **now** you rejected us, and brought us to dishonor, and don't go out with **our** armies.

10 You make us turn back from the adversary. **Those** **who** hate us take plunder for **themselves**.

11 You have **made** us **like sheep** **fôr food**, and have scattered us **among the nations**.

12 You sell **yôur people** **fôr nothing**, and have **gained nothing** from **their sale**.

13 You **make** us a **reproach** to **our neighbors**, a scoffing and a derision to **those who** are **around** us.

14 You **make** us a **byword** **among the nations**, a **shaking** of the head **among the people**.

15 All **day** long my dishonor is **before** me, and **shame covers my face**,

16 At the **taunt** of one **who reproaches** and **verbally abuses**, **because** of the enemy and the **avenger**.

17 All **this** has **come** on us, yet have we not forgotten you. **Neither** have we **been false** to **yôur covenant**.

18 Our **heart** has not **turned** back, **neither** have **our steps** strayed from **yôur path**,

19 **Though** you have **crushed** us in the **haunt** of jackals, and **covered** us with the **shadow** of **death**.

20 If we have forgotten the **name** of **our Elohim**, or spread **out our hands** to a **strange** god;

21 **Won't** Elohim **search this out**? For he **knows** the **secrets** of the **heart**.

22 Yes, for **yôur sake** we are killed **all day** long. We are regarded as **sheep** for the **slaughter**.

23 **Wake up!** **Why** **do** you **sleep** **Oh Adonai?** **Arise!** **Don't** reject us forever.

24 **Why** **do** you **hide yôur face**, and forget **our affliction** and **our oppression**?

25 For **our soul** is **bowed down** to the dust. Our body clings to the **earth**.

26 **Rise** up to help us. **Redeem** us for **yôur loving kindness' sake**.

Psalm 45

1 My **heart** **overflows** with a **noble theme**. I **recite my verses** for the king. My **tongue** is **like** the pen of a **skilful writer**.

2 You are the **most excellent** of the **sons** of men. **Grace** has **anointed yôur lips**, **therefore** Elohim has **blessed** you forever.

3 Strap **yôur sword** on **yôur thigh**, **mighty one**: **yôur splendor** and **yôur majesty**.

4 In **yôur majesty** **ride** on **victoriously** on **behalf** of **truth**, **humility**, and **righteousness**. Let **yôur right hand** display **awesome deeds**.

5 Yôur arrowš are **shä**rp. The nationš **fä**ll under you, **with** arrowš in the **heä**rt of the king'š **enemieš**.

6 Yôur **thr**one, **Oh** Elohim, is forever and ever. A **sce**pter of **equi**ty is the **sce**pter of yôur **kingdö**m.

7 You have **lov**ed **righte**ousness, and **hated** wickedness. **Therefö**re Elohim, yôur Elohim, haš **anoint**ed you **with** the oil of gladness **abö**ve yôur **fellowš**.

8 All yôur **gä**rments smell **like** myrrh, **alo**š, and cassia. Out of **ivö**ry **palaceš** stringed instruments have **mäd**e you glad.

9 Kingš' **dä**ughterš are **amö**ng yôur **honor**able women. At yôur **right** hand the **queen** standš in **gold** of **Ophir**.

10 Listen, **dä**ughter, consider, and **tür**n yôur **ear**. Forget yôur **own** **people**, and **ä**lso yôur **fä**ther'š **houš**e.

11 So the king will **deš**ire yôur **beauty**, *honor* him, for he is yôur **master**.

12 The **dä**ughter of **Tyre** **cömeš** **with** a gift. The **rich** **amö**ng the **people** **entreat** yôur **favor**.

13 The **prin**çess **inside** is **ä**ll **glö**rious. **Hê**r **cloth**ing is **interwoven** **with** **gold**.

14 She **shall** be led to the king in **embroidered** **wör**k. The **vî**rgins, **hê**r **cö**mpanionš **who** follow **hê**r, **shall** be **brö**ught to you.

15 **With** gladness and **rejoic**ing **they** **shall** be led. **They** **shall** enter **into** the king'š **palace**.

16 Yôur **sonš** will **take** the **plac**e of yôur **fä**therš. You **shall** **make** **them** **prin**çes in **ä**ll the **ê**ar**th**.

17 I will **make** yôur **name** to be remembered in **ä**ll **generations**. **Therefö**re the **peopleš** **shall** give you **th**anks forever and ever.

Psalm 46

1 Elohim is **ö**ur **refug**e and **streng**th, a very **preš**ent help in trouble.

2 **Therefö**re we won't be afraid, **thö**ugh the **ê**ar**th** **changeš**, **thö**ugh the **mö**untainš are **shaken** **into** the **heä**rt of the **seaš**;

3 **Thö**ugh its **waterš** **rö**ar and are troubled, **thö**ugh the **mö**untainš tremble **with** **their** swelling.

4 **There** is a river, the **streamš** of **which** **make** the **ç**ity of Elohim glad, the **holy** **plac**e of the tents of the **Most High**.

5 Elohim is **with**in **hê**r. She **shall** not be **mö**ved. Elohim will help **hê**r at **dö**wn.

6 The **nations** **rag**ed. The king**doms** were **mov**ed. He lifted his voi**ç**e, and the **êarth** melted.

7 YAHWEH of **ärmies** is **with** us. The Elohim of **Jacob** is **our** refu**g**e.

8 **C**ome, **see** YAHWEH'S **wô**rks, *what* des**olations** he ha**s** ma**d**e in the **êarth**.

9 He **mak**es **wârs** **ce**ase to the end of the **êarth**. He **bre**aks the **bow**, and **shatter**s the **spear**. He **bûrns** the **chariôts** in the **fi**re.

10 "Be still, and **know** **that** I am Elohim . I will **be** ex**â**lted **amô**ng the **nations**. I will be ex**â**lted in the **êarth**."

11 YAHWEH of **ärmies** **i**s **with** us. The Elohim of **Jacob** **i**s **our** refu**g**e. Meditate.

Psalm 47

1 Oh clap y**ô**ur hand**s**, **â**ll yo**u** nation**s**. **Sh**out **aloud** **with** the voi**ç**e of triumph!

2 For YAHWEH **Most High** is **â**wes**ô**me. He is a **great** King **over** **â**ll the **êarth**.

3 He sub**du**e**s** nation**s** under us, and **peop**le**s** under **our** **feet**.

4 He **chee**se**s** **our** inheritan**ç**e for us, the gl**ô**ry of **Jacob** **wh**em he **lov**ed.

5 Elohim ha**s** gone up **with** a **sh**out, YAHWEH **with** the **sound** of a trumpet.

6 Sing **prai**se, sing **prai**se. Sing **prai**se to **our** King, sing **prai**se.

7 For Elohim is the King of **â**ll the **êarth**. Sing **prai**se**s** **with** understanding.

8 Elohim reign**s** **over** the nation**s**. Elohim sits on his **holy** **thr**one.

9 The prin**ç**e**s** of the **peop**le**s** are **gath**ered to**geth**er, the **peop**le of the Elohim of Abraham. For the **sh**ield**s** of the **êarth** belong to Elohim. He is **greatly** ex**â**lted!

Psalm 48

1 **Great** is YAHWEH, and **greatly** to be **prai**sed in the **ç**ity of **our** Elohim, in his **holy** **mo**untain.

2 **Be**autif**û**l in elevat**ion**, the joy of the **whole** **êarth**, is **Mo**unt **Zion**, on the **nô**rth **side**s, the **ç**ity of the **great** King.

3 Elohim ha**s** **sh**own himself in h**ê**r **ç**itadel**s** as a refu**g**e.

4 For, beh**old**, the king**s** assembled **th**emselv**e**s, **they** p**ä**ssed **by** to**geth**er.

5 **They** s**â**w it, **then** **they** were amaz**ed**. **They** were di**sm**ayed. **They** hurried away.

6 Trembling **tô**ok hold of **th**em **th**ere, **pain**, as of a **wô**man in trav**ail**.

7 **With** the **e**ast wind, you **bre**ak the **sh**ips of **Târshish**.

8 As we have hêard, so we have seen, in the çity of YAHWEH of ärmieş, in the çity of œur Elohim. Elohim will establish it forever.

9 We have thôught about yôur lôving kindnes, Oh Elohim, in the middle of yôur temple.

10 AS is yôur name, Oh Elohim, so is yôur praişe to the endş of the êarth. Yôur right hand is full of righteousness.

11 Let Mount Zion be glad! Let the dâughterş of Judah rejoice, becauşe of yôur judgments.

12 Wâlk about Zion, and go around hêr. Number its towerş.

13 Mârk well hêr bulwarks. Còsider hêr palaceş, that you may tell it to the next generation.

14 For this Elohim is œur Elohim forever and ever. He will be œur guide even to death.

Psalm 49

1 Hear this, âll you peopleş. Listen, âll you inhabitants of the wôrld,

2 both low and high, rich and pôor together.

3 My mouth will speak wôrdş of wişdôm. My heärt shall utter understanding.

4 I will incline my ear to a provêrb. I will open my riddle on the hârp.

5 Why shôuld I fear in the dayş of evil, when iniquity at my heelş surroundş me?

6 Thoşe whœ trust in their wealth, and boasted in the multitude of their riches:

7 None of them can by any meanş redeem hiş brôther, nor give Elohim a ransom for him.

8 For the redemption of their life is costly, no payment is ever enough,

9 That he shôuld live on forever, that he shôuld not see corruption.

10 For he seeş that wişe men diê; likewişe the fool and the senseless perish, and leave their wealth to ôtherş.

11 Their inward thôught is that their houseş will endure forever, and their dwelling placeş to âll generationş. They name their landş after themselves.

12 But man, despite his riches, doeshn't endure. He is like the animalş that perish.

13 This is the destiny of thoşe whœ are foolish, and of thoşe whœ approve their sayings.

14 **They** are appointed as a flock for **sheol**. **Death** shall be their **shepherd**. The upright shall have **dóminion** over **them** in the **mórning**. **Their beauty** shall decay in **Sheol**, far from **their mansion**.

15 But Elohim will **redeem** my soul from the **power** of **Sheol**, for he will **receive** me.

16 **Don't** be afraid when a man is **made rich**, when the **glóry** of his **house** is **increased**.

17 For when he **dies** he shall carry **nothing** away. His **glóry** shall not **descend** **after** him.

18 **Though** while he lived he **blessed** his soul: and men **praise** you when you **do** well for **yóurself**:

19 He shall go to the **generation** of his **fäthers**. **They** shall never **see** the **light**.

20 A man **who** has **riches** **without** understanding, is like the animals **that** **perish**.

Psalm 50

1 The **Mighty** One, Elohim, YAHWEH, **speaks**, and **calls** the **earth** from **sunrise** to sunset.

2 Out of **Zion**, the **pêrfection** of **beauty**, Elohim **shines** out.

3 Our Elohim **comes**, and **does** not **keep** silent. A **fire** **devours** **before** him. It is very **stórm**y around him.

4 He **calls** to the **heavens** **above**, to the **earth**, **that** he may **judge** his **people**:

5 "**Gather** my **saints** **together** to me, **those** **who** have **made** a **cóvenant** **with** me **by** **sacrifice**."

6 The **heavens** shall **declare** his **righteousness**, for Elohim himself **is** **judge**.

7 "**Hear**, my **people**, and I will **speak**; **Isráel**, and I will **testify** **against** **you**. I am Elohim, **yóur** Elohim.

8 I **don't** **rebuke** you for **yóur** **sacrifices**. **Yóur** **búrn**t offerings are **continually** **before** me.

9 I have no **need** for a **bull** from **yóur** **stáll**, nor **male** **goats** from **yóur** **pens**.

10 For every animal of the forest is **mine**, and the **livestock** on a **thous**and hills.

11 I **know** **all** the **birds** of the **mountains**. The **wild** animals of the **field** are **mine**.

12 If I were hungry, I **wóuld** not tell you, for the **wó**rd is **mine**, and **all** **that** is in it.

13 Will I **eat** the **flesh** of **bulls**, or drink the **blóod** of **goats**?

14 Offer to Elohim the sacrific~~e~~ of **Thanksgiving**. Pay yô~~ur~~ v~~ow~~s to the Most High.

15 C~~all~~ on me in the day of trouble. I will deliver you, and you will honor me.”

16 But to the wicked Elohim says, “What right d~~e~~ you have to declar~~e~~ my statute, **that** you have taken my c~~o~~venant on yô~~ur~~ lips,

17 sinc~~e~~ you hate instructi~~o~~n, and **throw** my wô~~rd~~s behind you?

18 When you s~~aw~~ a **thief**, you consented with him, and have p~~ar~~ticipated with adulterers.

19 “You give yô~~ur~~ m~~ou~~th to evil. Yô~~ur~~ t~~o~~ngue fram~~e~~s de~~ce~~it.

20 You sit and spe~~a~~k against yô~~ur~~ brô~~th~~er. You slander yô~~ur~~ own m~~o~~ther's s~~on~~.

21 You have d~~one~~ thes~~e~~ th~~ing~~s, and I kept silent. You **th~~o~~ught** **that** I was just like you. I will rebuk~~e~~ you, and accus~~e~~ you in fr~~o~~nt of yô~~ur~~ ey~~e~~s.

22 “**N~~ew~~ C~~o~~nsider** **this**, you wh~~o~~ forget Eloah, lest I tear you into piec~~e~~s, and **there** be no one to deliver.

23 Wh~~o~~ever offer~~s~~ the sacrific~~e~~ of **Thanksgiving** glô~~r~~ifi~~e~~s me, and prepar~~e~~s his way so **that** I will **show** Elohim's salvati~~o~~n to him.”

Psalm 51

1 Have m~~er~~c~~y~~ on me, Oh Elohim, accô~~r~~ding to yô~~ur~~ l~~ov~~ing kind-ness. Accô~~r~~ding to the multitu~~d~~e of yô~~ur~~ tender m~~er~~c~~ie~~s, blot ~~o~~ut my transgressi~~o~~n~~s~~.

2 **Wash** me th~~o~~roughly from my iniquity. Clean~~s~~e me from my sin.

3 For I **know** my transgressi~~o~~n~~s~~. My sin is constantly befô~~r~~e me.

4 **A**gainst you, and you **only**, have I sinned, and d~~one~~ **that** which is evil in yô~~ur~~ sight; that you may be pr~~o~~ved right when you spe~~a~~k, and justified when you judg~~e~~.

5 Beh~~o~~ld, I was bô~~r~~n in iniquity. In sin my m~~o~~ther c~~o~~n~~ce~~ived me.

6 Beh~~o~~ld, you des~~i~~re truth in the inward p~~ar~~ts. You **teach** me wisdô~~m~~ in the inmost plac~~e~~.

7 **Purify** me with hyssop, and I will be clean. **Wash** me, and I will be whiter **than** snow.

8 Let me hear joy and gladness, **that** the bone~~s~~ which you have broken may rejoic~~e~~.

9 Hide yô~~ur~~ fac~~e~~ from my sin~~s~~, and blot ~~o~~ut **all** of my iniquiti~~e~~s.

- 10 **Cr**eat~~e~~ in me a cle~~a~~n he~~a~~rt, Oh Elohim. Renew a ri~~gh~~t spirit with~~in~~ me.
- 11 Don't **th**row me from y~~o~~ur pre~~s~~en~~c~~e, and don't **ta**ke y~~o~~ur holy Spirit from me.
- 12 Rest~~o~~re to me the joy of y~~o~~ur sal~~v~~ati~~o~~n. Uphold me with a willing spirit.
- 13 **Th**en I will **te**ach trans~~s~~gressor~~s~~ y~~o~~ur way~~s~~. Sinner~~s~~ **sh**all be c~~o~~n~~v~~erted to you.
- 14 Deliver me from the guilt of bl~~o~~odsh~~e~~d, Oh Elohim, the Elohim of my sal~~v~~ati~~o~~n. My t~~o~~ngue **sh**all sing aloud of y~~o~~ur ri~~gh~~teousness.
- 15 Oh YAHWEH, **o**pen my **li**ps. My **mo**uth **sh**all decla~~r~~e y~~o~~ur pra~~i~~s~~e~~.
- 16 For you don't deli~~gh~~t in sacrific~~e~~, **o**r else I wo~~u~~ld give it. You have ne plea~~s~~ure in b~~u~~rn~~t~~ offering.
- 17 The sacrific~~e~~s of Elohim are a bro~~k~~en spirit. A bro~~k~~en and contri~~te~~ he~~a~~rt, Oh Elohim, you will not despi~~s~~e.
- 18 **D**e well in y~~o~~ur go~~o~~od plea~~s~~ure to Zion. Build the wa~~ll~~s of Jeru~~s~~alem.
- 19 **Th**en you will deli~~gh~~t in the sacrific~~e~~s of ri~~gh~~teousness, in b~~u~~rn~~t~~ offerings and in whole b~~u~~rn~~t~~ offerings. **Th**en **th**ey will offer bulls on y~~o~~ur altar.

Psalm 52

- 1 **Wh**y **d**e you bo~~a~~st of mis~~ch~~ief, mi~~gh~~ty man? Elohim's l~~o~~ving kind~~n~~ess endu~~r~~e~~s~~ c~~o~~ntinu~~a~~lly.
- 2 Y~~o~~ur t~~o~~ngue plots destructi~~o~~n, li~~k~~e a sh~~ä~~rp raz~~o~~r, w~~o~~rking de~~c~~ei~~t~~fu~~l~~ly.
- 3 You l~~o~~ve evil m~~o~~re **th**an go~~o~~od, ly~~i~~ng r~~ä~~th~~e~~r **th**an spe~~a~~king the tru~~th~~.
- 4 You l~~o~~ve **ä**ll dev~~o~~uring w~~o~~rd~~s~~, you de~~c~~ei~~t~~fu~~l~~ t~~o~~ngue.
- 5 Elohim will likewi~~s~~e destroy you forever. He will **ta**ke you up, and pluck you ~~o~~ut of y~~o~~ur tent, and ~~re~~et you ~~o~~ut of the land of the living.
- 6 The ri~~gh~~teous **ä**lso will **se**e it, and **fe**ar, and l~~ä~~ugh at him, say~~i~~ng,
- 7 "Behold, **th**is is the man **wh**e didn't **ma**ke Elohim his streng~~th~~, but trusted in the abundan~~c~~e of his rich~~e~~s, and streng~~th~~ened himself in his wickedness."
- 8 But as for me, I am li~~k~~e a green olive tree in the ho~~u~~s~~e~~ of Elohim. I trust in Elohim's l~~o~~ving kind~~n~~ess forever and ever.
- 9 I will give you **th**anks forever, beca~~u~~s~~e~~ you have **do**ne it. I will **ho**pe in y~~o~~ur **na**me, for it is go~~o~~od, in the pre~~s~~en~~c~~e of y~~o~~ur sa~~i~~nts.

Psalm 53

1 The **fool** ha**s** said in hi**s** he**ä**rt, “**There** is no Elohim.” **They** are corrupt, and have d**o**ne abominable iniquity. **There** is no one wh**e** d**o**e**s** g**o**od.

2 Elohim l**o**ok**s** d**o**wn from heaven on the **children** of men, to **see** if **there** are any wh**e** underst**o**od, wh**e** **seek** after Elohim.

3 Every one of **them** ha**s** gone back. **They** have bec**o**me fil**th**y together. **There** is no one wh**e** d**o**e**s** g**o**od, no, not one.

4 Have the w**o**rker**s** of iniquity no knowled**g**e, wh**e** **eat** up my people a**s** they **eat** bread, and don't c**a**ll on Elohim?

5 **There** **they** were in gre**a**t fear, wh**e**re no fear was, for Elohim ha**s** scatter**e**d the bone**s** of him wh**e** encamps ag**a**inst you. You have p**u**t **them** to **shame**, beca**u**s**e** Elohim ha**s** reject**e**d **them**.

6 **Oh** **that** the salvati**o**n of I**s**rael w**o**uld c**o**me **o**ut of Zion! When Elohim bring**s** back his people from captivity, **then** Jacob **shall** rejoic**e**, and I**s**rael **shall** be glad.

Psalm 54

1 **Save** me, Oh Elohim , by y**o**ur name. Vindicat**e** me in y**o**ur might.

2 **Hear** my pray**e**r, Oh Elohim. Listen to the w**o**rd**s** of my mouth.

3 For stran**g**er**s** have ris**e**n up ag**a**inst me. Violent men have s**o**ught after my soul. **They** haven't set Elohim bef**o**re **them**.

4 Beh**o**ld, Elohim is my helper. YAHWEH is the one wh**e** sustains my soul.

5 He will rep**a**y the **evil** to my enemy**e**s. Destroy **them** in y**o**ur truth.

6 **With** a free will offering, I will sacrific**e** to you. I will give **th**anks to y**o**ur name, YAHWEH for it is g**o**od.

7 For he ha**s** deliver**e**d me **o**ut of **ä**ll trouble. My ey**e** ha**s** seen triumph over my enemy**e**s.

Psalm 55

1 Listen to my pray**e**r, Oh Elohim. Don't hid**e** y**o**urself from my supplicati**o**n.

2 Attend to me, and answer me. I am restless in my c**o**mplaint, and mo**a**n,

3 Bec**a**us**e** of the voi**c**e of the enemy, beca**u**s**e** of the oppressi**o**n of the wicked. For **they** bring suffering on me. In anger **they** hold a grud**g**e ag**a**inst me.

4 My he**ä**rt is seve**r**ely pain**e**d with**i**n me. The terror**s** of deat**h** have f**a**llen on me.

5 **Fear**fuln**e**ss and trembling have c**o**me on me. Horror ha**s** overwh**e**lmed me.

6 I said, "Oh **that** I had wings **like** a **dove**! **Then** I **would** fly away, and be at rest.

7 Behold, **then** I **would** wander far off. I **would** lodge in the wilderness."

8 "I **would** hurry to a **shelter** from the **stormy** wind and **storm**."

9 **Confuse** **them**, YAHWEH, and confound **their** language, for I have seen violence and strife in the **city**.

10 Day and night **they** prowl around on its **walls**. Malice and abuse are **also** within **her**.

11 Destructive **forces** are within **her**. **Threats** and **lies** don't depart from **her** streets.

12 For it was not an enemy **who** insulted me, **then** I **could** have endured it. **Neither** was it he **who** hated me **who** raised himself up against me, **then** I **would** have hidden myself from him.

13 But it was you, a man **like** me, my **companion**, and my familiar friend.

14 We **took** sweet fellowship together. We **walked** in the **house** of Elohim with **company**.

15 Let **death** come suddenly on **them**. Let **them** go down alive into **Sheol**. For wickedness is among **them**, in **their** dwelling.

16 As for me, I will **call** on Elohim. YAHWEH will **save** me.

17 **Evening**, **morning**, and at **noon**, I will cry out in distress. he will **hear** my voice.

18 He has redeemed my soul in peace from the battle **that** was against me, **although** **there** are many **who** oppose me.

19 Elohim, **who** is **enthroned** forever, will **hear**, and answer **them**. **They** never **change**, **who** don't fear Elohim.

20 He **raises** his hands against his friends. He has violated his covenant.

21 His **mouth** was smooth as butter, but his heart was war. His words were softer **than** oil, yet **they** were drawn swords.

22 Cast your burden on YAHWEH, and he will sustain you. He will never allow the **righteous** to be moved.

23 But you, Oh Elohim, will bring **them** down into the pit of destruction. **Bloodthirsty** and **deceitful** men shall not live out half **their** days, but I will trust in you.

Psalm 56

1 Be mērcifūl to me, Oh Elohim, for man wānts to swāllow me up. All dāy long, he attacks and oppresseš me.

2 My enemies wānt to swāllow me up āll dāy long, for they are many whō fight prōudly against me.

3 When I am afraid, I will pūt my trust in you.

4 In Elohim, I praiše his wōrd. In Elohim, I pūt my trust. I will not be afraid. Whāt can flesh dō to me?

5 All dāy long they twist my wōrdš. All their thōughts are against me for evil.

6 They conspire and lûrk, watching my steps, they are eager to take my life.

7 Shall they escape by iniquity? In anger cāst dōwn the peopleš, Oh Elohim.

8 You number my wānderingš. You pūt my tearš into yōur bottle. Aren't they in yōur bōōk?

9 Then my enemies shall tûrn back in the dāy thāt I cāl. I know this, thāt Elohim is for me.

10 In Elohim, I will praiše his wōrd. In YAHWEH, I will praiše his wōrd.

11 I have pūt my trust in Elohim. I will not be afraid. Whāt can man dō to me?

12 Yōur vōwš are on me, Oh Elohim. I will give thank offerings to you.

13 For you have delivered my soul from death, and prevented my feet from fālling, thāt I may wālk befōre Elohim in the light of the living.

Psalm 57

1 Be mērcifūl to me, Oh Elohim, be mērcifūl to me, for my soul takes refugē in you. Yes, in the shadow of yōur wings, I will take refugē, until disāster has pāsseđ.

2 I cry out to Elohim Most High, to Elohim whō accōmplišeš my requests for me.

3 He will send from heaven, and save me, he rebukes the one whō is pûrsuing me. Elohim will send out his loving kindness and hiš truth.

4 My soul is amōng liōnš. I lie amōng thoše whō are set on fire, even the sōnš of men, whēš teeth are spearš and arrowš, and their tōngue a shārp swōrd.

5 Be exālted, Oh Elohim, abōve the heavens! Let yōur glōry be abōve āll the ēarth!

6 They have preparēd a net for my steps. My soul is bowēd dōwn. They dig a pit befōre me. They fāll into the middle of it themselveš.

7 **My** heärt is steadfäst, Oh Elohim, **my** heärt is steadfäst. I will sing, yes, I will sing praïseş.

8 **Wake** up, **my** glôry! **Wake** up, lute and härp! I will **wake** up the dōwn.

9 I will give **th**anks to you, Oh YAHWEH, amōng the peōpleş. I will sing praïseş to you amōng the natiōnş.

10 For yōur greät lōving kindness **reacheş** to the heavenş, and yōur truth to the skieş.

11 Be exälted, Oh Elohim, abōve the heavenş. Let yōur glôry be **over** āll the êarth.

Psalm 58

1 **Do** you indeed speak **righteousness**, silent oneş? **Do** you judgē blamelessly, you sōnş of men?

2 **No**, in yōur heärt you plot injustiçe. You meaşure **out** the violençe of yōur handş in the êarth.

3 The wicked go astray from the wōmb. **They** äre wayward aş soon aş they äre bōrn, speaking lieş.

4 **Their** poişon iş like the poişon of a snake; like a deaf cobra **that** stops its ear,

5 **which** dōeşn't listen to the voiçe of chärmerş, no matter how skilful the chärmer may be.

6 **Break** **their** **teeth**, Oh Elohim, in **their** **mouth**. **Break** **out** the great **teeth** of the young lionş, YAHWEH.

7 Let **them** **vanish** like wäter **that** **flowş** away. When **they** drāw the bow, let **their** **arrowş** be made blunt.

8 Let **them** be like a snail **which** melts and pässeş away, like the stillbōrn **child**, **who** haş not **seen** the sun.

9 Befōre yōur pots can **feel** the heat of the **thōrnş**, he will sweep away the **green** and the būrning alike.

10 The **righteous** **shall** rejoïçe when he **seeş** the vengeançe. He **shall** **wash** his **feet** in the blōōd of the wicked;

11 so **that** men **shall** say, "Most **çertainly** **there** is a rewård for the **righteous**. Most **çertainly** **there** is an Elohim **who** judgēş the **êarth**."

Psalm 59

1 Deliver me from **my** **enemieş**, **my** Elohim. Set me on **high** from **thoşe** **who** rişē up **again**st me.

- 2 Deliver me from the w~~o~~rker~~s~~ of iniquity. Sa~~v~~e me from the blood~~thi~~irsty men.
- 3 For, behold, **they** li~~e~~ in wait for my soul. The mi~~gh~~ty gather **themselv**e~~s~~ together ag~~a~~inst me, not for my dis~~o~~bedien~~c~~e, n~~o~~r for my sin, YAHWEH.
- 4 I have d~~o~~ne no wrong, yet **they** are ready to attack me. Ri~~s~~e up, behold, and help me!
- 5 You, YAHWEH, Elohim of **ä**rmie~~s~~, the Elohim of I~~s~~rael, r~~ou~~s~~e~~ y~~o~~urself to punish the nation~~s~~. **Show** no m~~e~~r~~c~~y to the wicked traitor~~s~~.
- 6 **They** ret~~u~~rn at evening, howling li~~k~~e dog~~s~~, and pr~~ow~~l ar~~ou~~nd the **ç**ity.
- 7 Behold, **they** spew with **their** mouth. Sw~~o~~rd~~s~~ are in **their** lips, “For”, **they** say, “wh~~o~~ hear~~s~~ us?”
- 8 But y~~o~~u, YAHWEH, lä~~u~~gh at **them**. You scoff at **ä**ll the nation~~s~~.
- 9 Oh, my Streng~~th~~, I w~~a~~tch for you, for Elohim is my hi~~gh~~ tower.
- 10 My Elohim will go bef~~o~~re me with his l~~o~~ving kindness. Elohim will let me l~~oo~~k at my enemy~~s~~ in triumph.
- 11 Don't kill **them**, ~~o~~r my pe~~o~~ple may forget. Scatter **them** by y~~o~~ur pow~~e~~r, and bring **them** d~~ow~~n, Oh YAHWEH ~~o~~ur shield.
- 12 For the sin of **their** mouth, and the w~~o~~rd~~s~~ of **their** lips, let **them** be c~~a~~ught in **their** pride, for the c~~u~~rses and lie~~s~~ which **they** utter.
- 13 C~~o~~nsume **them** in wr~~ä~~th. C~~o~~nsume **them**, and **they** will be no m~~o~~re. Let **them** know **that** Elohim rule~~s~~ in Jacob, to the end~~s~~ of the **ë**ar~~th~~.
- 14 At evening let **them** ret~~u~~rn. Let **them** howl li~~k~~e a dog, and go ar~~ou~~nd the **ç**ity.
- 15 **They** sh~~a~~ll w~~a~~nder up and d~~ow~~n for f~~ee~~d, and wait **ä**ll ni~~gh~~t if **they** aren't satisfied.
- 16 But I will sing of y~~o~~ur strength. Yes, I will sing al~~ou~~d of y~~o~~ur l~~o~~ving kindness in the m~~o~~rning. For you have b~~ee~~n my hi~~gh~~ tower, a refu~~g~~e in the day of my distress.
- 17 To you, my streng~~th~~, I will sing prai~~s~~e~~s~~. For Elohim is my hi~~gh~~ tower, the Elohim of my m~~e~~r~~c~~y.

Psalm 60

- 1 Oh Elohim, you have rejected us. You have broken us d~~ow~~n. You have b~~ee~~n angry. Rest~~o~~re us, ag~~a~~in.
- 2 You have m~~a~~de the land tremble. You have t~~o~~rn it. Mend its fractur~~e~~~~s~~, for it quakes.

3 You have **shown** yôur people härd **things**. You have **made** us drink the wine **that** makes us stagger.

4 You have given a banner to **those** who fear you, **that** it may be displayed because of the **truth**.

5 So **that** yôur beloved may be delivered, **save** with yôur right hand, and answer us.

6 Elohim has spoken from his sanctuary: "I will **triumph**. I will divide **Shechem**, and measure out the valley of Succoth.

7 Gilead is mine, and Manasseh is mine. **Ephraim** also is the defense of my head. **Judah** is my scepter.

8 **Moab** is my wash basin. I will **throw** my shoe on Edom. I **shout** in triumph over **Philistia**."

9 Who will bring me into the strong city? Who has led me to Edom?

10 Haven't You, Oh Elohim, rejected us? You don't go out with our armies, Oh Elohim.

11 Give us help against the adversary, for the help of man is vain.

12 **Through** Elohim we shall do valiantly, for it is he who will tread down our adversaries.

Psalm 61

1 Hear my cry, Oh Elohim. Listen to my prayer.

2 From the end of the earth, I will call to you, when my heart is overwhelmed. Lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

3 For you have been a refuge for me, a strong tower from the enemy.

4 I will dwell in your tent forever. I will take refuge in the shelter of your wings.

5 For you, Oh Elohim, have heard my vows. You have given me the heritage of those who fear your name.

6 You will prolong the king's life; his years shall be for generations.

7 He shall be enthroned in Elohim's presence forever. Appoint your loving kindness and truth, that they may preserve him.

8 So I will sing praise to your name forever, that I may fulfill my vows daily.

Psalm 62

1 My soul rests in Elohim alone. My salvation is from him.

2 He **alone** is my rock and my **salvation**, my **fortress** I will never be **greatly shaken**.

3 **How** long will you **assault** a man, **would** **all** of you **throw** him **down**, **Like** a **leaning wall**, **like** a tottering **fence**?

4 **They** **fully** intend to **throw** him **down** from his lofty **place**. **They** **delight** in **lies**. **They** **bless** with **their** **mouth**, but **they** **curse** inwardly.

5 **My** **soul**, waits in **silence** **for** Elohim **alone**, for my **expectation** is from him.

6 He **alone** is my rock and my **salvation**, my **fortress**. I will not be **shaken**.

7 **With** Elohim is my **salvation** and my **honor**. The rock of my **strength**, and my **refuge**, is in Elohim.

8 Trust in him at **all** **times**, you **people**. **Pour** **out** your **heart** **before** him. Elohim is a **refuge** for us.

9 **Surely** men of **low** **degree** are just a **breath**, and men of **high** **degree** are a **lie**. In the **balances** **they** will **go** up. **They** are **together** **lighter** **than** a **breath**.

10 **Don't** trust in **oppression**. **Don't** **become** **vain** in robbery. If **riches** **increase**, **don't** set your **heart** on **them**.

11 Elohim **has** **spoken** **once**; **twice** I have **heard** **this**, **that** **power** **belongs** to Elohim.

12 **Also** to you, YAHWEH, **belongs** **loving** **kindness**, for you **reward** every man **according** to his **work**.

Psalm 63

1 Elohim, you are my Elohim. I will **earnestly** **seek** you. **My** **soul** **thirsts** for you. **My** **flesh** longs for you, in a **dry** and **weary** land, **where** **there** is no **water**.

2 So I have **seen** you in the **sanctuary**, **watching** your **power** and your **glory**.

3 **Because** your **loving** **kindness** is better **than** **life**, my lips **shall** **praise** you.

4 So I will **bless** you **while** I **live**. I will **lift** up my **hands** in your **name**.

5 **My** **soul** **shall** be **satisfied** as **with** the **richest** **feed**. **My** **mouth** **shall** **praise** you **with** **joyful** lips,

6 **when** I remember you on my **bed**, and **think** **about** you in the **night** **watches**.

7 For you have **been** my **help**. I will **rejoice** in the **shadow** of your **wings**.

8 **My** **soul** **stays** **close** to you. Your **right** hand **holds** me up.

9 But **those** **who** **seek** my **soul**, to **destroy** it, **shall** **go** **into** the **lower** **parts** of the **earth**.

10 **They** shall be given over to the power of the sword. **They** shall be jackal feed.

11 But the king shall rejoice in Elohim. Everyone who swears by him will praise him, for the mouth of those who speak lies shall be silenced.

Psalm 64

1 Hear my voice, Oh Elohim, in my complaint. Preserve my life from fear of the enemy.

2 Hide me from the conspiracy of the wicked, from the noisy crowd of the ones doing evil;

3 who sharpen their tongue like a sword, and aim their arrows, deadly words,

4 to shoot innocent men from ambushes. They shoot at him suddenly and fearlessly.

5 They encourage themselves in evil plans. They talk about laying snares secretly. They say, "who will see them?"

6 They plot injustice, saying, "We have made a perfect plan!" Surely man's mind and heart are cunning.

7 But Elohim will shoot at them. They will be suddenly struck down with an arrow.

8 Their own tongues shall ruin them. All who see them will shake their heads.

9 All mankind shall be afraid. They shall declare the work of Elohim, and shall wisely ponder what he has done.

10 The righteous shall be glad in YAHWEH, and shall take refuge in him. All the upright in heart shall praise him!

Psalm 65

1 Praise waits for you, Elohim, in Zion. To you shall vows be performed.

2 You who hear prayer, to you all men will come.

3 Sin overwhelmed me, but you atoned for our transgressions.

4 Blessed is one whom you choose, and cause to come near, that he may live in your courts. We will be filled with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.

5 By awesome deeds of righteousness, you answer us, Elohim of our salvation. You who are the hope of all the ends of the earth, of those who are far away on the sea;

6 who by his power forms the mountains, having armed yourself with strength;

7 **who** stills the **rô**aring of the **seas**, the **rô**aring of **their waves**, and the **tû**rmoil of the **nations**.

8 **They** **â**lso **who** dwell in **fä**raway **places** are afraid at **yô**ur **wô**nders. You **câ**ll the **mô**rning's **dô**wn and the **e**vening **with** songs of joy.

9 You **vis**it the **ê**arth, and **wâ**ter it. You **gr**eatly **enrich** it. The river Oh Elohim is **full** of **wâ**ter. You **prô**vide **them** grain, for so you have **ô**rdained it.

10 You **drench** its **furrows**. You level its **ridges**. You **soften** it **with showers**. You **bless** it **with** a crop.

11 You **crow**n the **year** **with yô**ur **boun**ty. **Yô**ur **câ**rts **overflow** **with** **abundanc**e.

12 The wilderness **gräss**lands **overflow**. The hills are **cloth**ed **with** gladness.

13 The **pâ**stures are **cô**vered **with** flocks. The **valleys** **â**lso are **cloth**ed **with** grain. **They shout** for joy! **They** **â**lso sing.

Psalm 66

1 **Make** a **joyful shout** to Elohim, **â**ll the **ê**arth!

2 Sing to the **glô**ry of his **name**! Offer **glô**ry and **prais**e!

3 Tell Elohim, "**Hô**w **â**wesôme are **yô**ur **deeds**! **th**rough the **gr**eatness of **yô**ur **pô**wer, **yô**ur **enemies** submit **themselves** to you.

4 All the **ê**arth will **wô**rship you, and will sing to you; **they** will sing to **yô**ur **name**."

5 **Cô**me, and **see** Elohim's **deeds** : **â**wesôme **wô**rk on behâlf of the **children** of men.

6 He **tû**rned the **sea** into **dry** land. **They** went **th**rough the river on **fô**ot. **There**, **we** **rejoic**ed in him.

7 **He** **rules** **by** his **mi**ght forever. His **ey**es **wâ**ch the **nations**. **Don't** let the rebellious **ris**e up against him.

8 **Prais**e **ô**ur Elohim, you **people**s! **Make** the **sound** of his **prais**e **hê**ard,

9 **who** **presê**rves **ô**ur **life** among the living, and **dô**esn't **allow** **ô**ur **feet** to be **mô**ved.

10 For, Oh Elohim, you have tested us. You have **refined** us, as silver is **refined**.

11 You **brô**ught us into **pris**on. You **laid** a **bû**rden on **ô**ur backs.

12 You **allow**ed men to **ride** **over** **ô**ur **heads**. We went **th**rough **fi**re and **th**rough **wâ**ter, but you **brô**ught us to the **plac**e of **abundanc**e.

13 I will **cô**me into **yô**ur temple **with** **bû**rn't offerings. I will **pay my** **vô**ws to you,

- 14 **which** my lips promised, and my **mouth** spoke, when I was in distress.
- 15 I will offer to you **burnt offerings** of fat animals, with the offering of rams, I will offer bulls **with** goats.
- 16 **Come**, and **hear**, **all** you **who** fear Elohim. I will declare **what** he has **done** for my soul.
- 17 I **cried** to him **with** my **mouth**. He was extolled **with** my **tongue**.
- 18 If I **cherished** sin in my **heart**, YAHWEH **wouldn't** have listened.
- 19 But **most** **certainly**, Elohim has listened. He has **heard** the **voice** of my **prayer**.
- 20 Blessed be Elohim, **who** has not **turned away** my **prayer**, **nor** his **loving kindness** from me.

Psalm 67

- 1 **May** Elohim be **merciful** to us, bless us, and **cause** his **face** to **shine** on us.
- 2 **That** your way may be **known** on **earth**, and your **salvation** among **all nations**,
- 3 let the **people** **praise** you, Elohim. Let **all** the **people** **praise** you.
- 4 **Oh** let the **nations** be glad and sing for joy, for you will **judge** the **people** **with** **equity**, and **govern** the **nations** on **earth**.
- 5 Let the **people** **praise** you, Elohim. Let **all** the **people** **praise** you.
- 6 The **earth** has **yielded** its **increase**. Elohim, **even** **our own** Elohim, will bless us.
- 7 Elohim will bless us. All the **ends** of the **earth** shall **fear** him.

Psalm 68

- 1 Let Elohim **arise**! Let his **enemies** be scattered! Let **them** **who** **hate** him **also flee** **before** him.
- 2 As **smoke** is driven **away**, so **drive** **them** **away**. As wax melts **before** the **fire**, so let the wicked **perish** at the **presence** of Elohim.
- 3 But let the **righteous** be glad. Let **them** **rejoice** **before** Elohim. Yes, let **them** **rejoice** **with** gladness.
- 4 Sing to Elohim ! Sing **praises** to his **name**! Extol him **who** **rides** on the **clouds**: to YAH, his **name**! **Rejoice** **before** him!
- 5 A **father** of the **fatherless**, and a defender of the **widows**, is Elohim in his **holy habitation**.
- 6 Elohim sets the **lonely** in **families**. He brings **out** the **prisoners** **with** singing, but the **rebellious** dwell in a sun-sc~~or~~ched land.

- 7 Elohim, when you went **out** bef~~o~~re y~~o~~ur people, when you m~~a~~rched **th**rough the wilderness.
- 8 The **e**ar**th** trembled. The sky **â**lso p~~o~~ured **d**own **r**ain at the pres~~e~~nc~~e~~ of the Elohim of Sinai, at the pres~~e~~nc~~e~~ of Elohim, the Elohim of **I**srael.
- 9 You, Oh Elohim, sent a plentiful **r**ain. You c~~o~~nfirm~~e~~d y~~o~~ur inheritan~~c~~e, when it was **w**ear**y**.
- 10 Y~~o~~ur congregat**ion** lived **th**erein. You, Oh Elohim, prepar**e**d y~~o~~ur g~~o~~odness for the p~~o~~or.
- 11 YAHWEH ann~~o~~unc**e**d the w~~o~~rd. The on**e**s wh~~o~~ proclaim it are a great c~~o~~mpany.
- 12 “Kings of **â**rmies flee! **T**hey flee!” She wh~~o~~ waits at home divid**e**s the plunder,
- 13 wh**il**e you sleep among the camp fire**s**, the wings of a dove **s**heath**e**d with silver, h~~e~~r feath**e**r**s** with **s**hining gold.
- 14 When the Alm**i**ghty scattered kings in h~~e~~r, it snow**e**d on Zalmon.
- 15 The m~~o~~untain**s** of Bashan are majestic m~~o~~untain**s**. The m~~o~~untain**s** of Bashan are rugged.
- 16 Wh**y** d**e** you l~~o~~ok in envy, you rugged m~~o~~untain**s**, at the m~~o~~untain wh**er**e Elohim **ch**ee**s**e**s** to reign? Yes, YAHWEH will dwell **th**ere forever.
- 17 The **ch**ariots of Elohim are tens of **th**ou**s**and**s** and **th**ou**s**and**s** of **th**ou**s**and**s**. YAHWEH is among **th**em, from Sinai, int**o** the sanctuary.
- 18 You have asc**e**nded on **h**igh. You have led away captive**s**. You have rece**i**ved gifts among men, yes, among the rebellious **â**lso, **th**at YAH our Elohim might dwell **th**ere.
- 19 Blessed be YAHWEH, wh~~o~~ daily bear**s** **o**ur b~~u~~rd**e**n**s**, even the Elohim wh~~o~~ is **o**ur salvation.
- 20 Our EL to us is an EL of deliveran**c**e. To YAHWEH Adonai, belong**s** escape from deat**h**.
- 21 But Elohim will strike **th**rough the head of his enemy**e**s, the hairy scalp of **s**uch a one as still c~~o~~ntinu**e**s in his guiltiness.
- 22 YAHWEH said, “I will bring you ag**ai**n from Bashan, I will bring you ag**ai**n from the dept**h**s of the sea;
- 23 **T**hat you may crush **th**em, dipping y~~o~~ur f~~o~~ot in bl~~o~~od, **th**at the t~~o~~ngue**s** of y~~o~~ur dog**s** may have **th**eir p~~o~~rt**ion** from y~~o~~ur enemy**e**s.”
- 24 **T**hey have seen y~~o~~ur pro**ce**ssions, Elohim, even the pro**ce**ssions of my Elohim, **m**y King, int**o** the sanctuary.

25 The singer~~s~~ went bef~~o~~re, the minstrel~~s~~ follow~~e~~d äfter, among the ladies~~s~~ playing with~~h~~ tambourine~~s~~,

26 “Bless Elohim in the congregat~~i~~on~~s~~, even YAHWEH from the fountain of I~~s~~rael!”

27 **There** is little Benjamin, **their** ruler, the prince~~s~~ of Judah, **their** c~~o~~unc~~i~~l, the prince~~s~~ of Zebul~~u~~n, and the prince~~s~~ of Naphtali.

28 Y~~o~~ur Elohim ha~~s~~ command~~e~~d y~~o~~ur strengt~~h~~. Strengt~~h~~en, Oh Elohim, **that** whic~~h~~ you have d~~o~~ne for us.

29 Becau~~s~~e of y~~o~~ur temple at Jeru~~s~~alem, king~~s~~ **shall** bring pre~~s~~ents to you.

30 Rebuk~~e~~ the wild animal of the reed~~s~~, the multitud~~e~~ of the bu~~l~~l~~s~~, with~~h~~ the cä~~i~~ve~~s~~ of the peop~~l~~e~~s~~. Being humbled, may it bring bär~~s~~ of silver. Scatter the nation~~s~~ **that** deli~~g~~ht in wär.

31 Prince~~s~~ **shall** c~~o~~me **o**ut of **Egypt**. E~~t~~hiopia **shall** hurry to stretch **o**ut hêr hand~~s~~ to Elohim.

32 Sing to Elohim, you kingd~~o~~m~~s~~ of the êar~~t~~h! Sing prai~~s~~e~~s~~ to YAHWEH!

33 To him wh~~o~~ ride~~s~~ on the heaven of heaven~~s~~, whic~~h~~ are of **old**; beh~~o~~ld, he utter~~s~~ his voi~~c~~e, a mi~~g~~hty voi~~c~~e.

34 Ascri~~b~~e strengt~~h~~ to Elohim! His ex~~c~~ellen~~c~~y is **over** I~~s~~rael, his strengt~~h~~ is in the ski~~e~~s.

35 You are äwes~~o~~me, Oh Elohim, in y~~o~~ur sanctu~~a~~rie~~s~~. The Elohim of I~~s~~rael give~~s~~ strengt~~h~~ and pow~~e~~r to his peop~~l~~e. Prai~~s~~e be to Elohim!

Psalm 69

1 **Save** me, Oh Elohim, for the water~~s~~ have c~~o~~me up to my **neck**!

2 I sink in deep mi~~r~~e, where **there** is no fö~~o~~thold. I have c~~o~~me into deep water~~s~~, where the flö~~o~~d~~s~~ overflow me.

3 I am we~~a~~ry with~~h~~ my crying. My t~~h~~roat is dry. My ey~~e~~s fail, lö~~o~~king for my Elohim.

4 **Tho~~s~~e** wh~~o~~ hate me with~~o~~ut a cäu~~s~~e are m~~o~~re **than** the hair~~s~~ of my head. **Tho~~s~~e** wh~~o~~ want to cut me off, being my enemy~~e~~s wrongf~~u~~lly, are mi~~g~~hty. I have to rest~~o~~re wh~~a~~t I didn't take away.

5 Oh Elohim, you kn~~o~~w my fe~~e~~lishness. My sin~~s~~ aren't hidden from you.

6 Don't let **tho~~s~~e** wh~~o~~ wait for you be shamed **throu**gh me, Oh Adonai YAHWEH of ärmie~~s~~. Don't let **tho~~s~~e** wh~~o~~ seek you be brö~~u~~ght to dishonor **throu**gh mw, Elohim of I~~s~~rael.

- 7 Bec^a_u^se for y^o_ur sake, I have b^o_rn^e repro^a_{ch}. **Shame** ha^s c^o_ver^ed my **fa**^ç_e.
- 8 I have bec^o_me a **stranger** to my **brother**^s, an **alien** to my **moth**^e_r'**s** **children**.
- 9 For the **zeal** of y^o_ur h^o_us^e c^o_nsume^s me. The repro^a_{ch}^es of **tho**^s_e **who** repro^a_{ch} you have f^a_ll^en on me.
- 10 When I wept and I f^a_sted, **that** was to my repro^a_{ch}.
- 11 When I **ma**^de sackcloth **th** my **clothing**, I be^a_me a byw^o_rd to **them**.
- 12 **Tho**^s_e **who** sit in the **gate** t^a_lk ab^o_ut me. I am the song of the drunkard^s.
- 13 But as for me, my **prayer** is to you, Oh YAHWEH, in an ac^ç_eptable **time**. Oh Elohim, in the abundan^ç_e of y^o_ur l^o_ving **kindness**, answer me in the **truth** of y^o_ur **salvation**.
- 14 Deliver me **o**ut of the **mi**^r_e, and **don't** let me sink. Let me be deliver^ed from **tho**^s_e **who** hate me, and **o**ut of the **deep water**^s.
- 15 **Don't** let the **flood water**^s **overwhelm** me, **neither** let the **deep** swallow me up. **Don't** let the pit **shut** its **mouth** on me.
- 16 Answer me, Oh YAHWEH, for y^o_ur l^o_ving **kindness** is **good**. Acc^o_rding to the multitu^d_e of y^o_ur tender m^e_rcⁱ_es^es, t^u_rn to me.
- 17 **Don't** hide y^o_ur **fa**^ç_e from y^o_ur s^e_rvant, for I am in distress. Answer me **speedily**!
- 18 Dr^a_w **near** to my **soul**, and red^e_em it. Ransom me be^a_us^e of my **enemies**.
- 19 You **know** my repro^a_{ch}, my **shame**, and my **dishonor**. My adv^e_rsaries are **a**ll bef^o_re you.
- 20 Repro^a_{ch} ha^s **broken** my **he**^a_rt, and I am **full** of heaviness. I **look**^ed for **some** to **take** pity, but **there** was **none**; for c^o_mforter^s, but I **found** **none**.
- 21 **They** **a**lso **gave** me g^a_ll for my **feed**. In my **thirst**, **they** **gave** me **vinegar** to drink.
- 22 Let **their** **table** bef^o_re **them** bec^o_me a **snare**. **May** it bec^o_me a retri^b_ution and a trap.
- 23 Let **their** **ey**^es be d^a_rk^en^ed, so **that** **they** c^a_n't **see**. Let **their** backs be c^o_ntinu^a_lly bent.
- 24 P^o_ur **o**ut y^o_ur indignation on **them**. Let the **fier**^ç_en^es of y^o_ur anger **overtake** **them**.
- 25 Let **their** habitation be de^s_olate. Let no one dwell in **their** tents.
- 26 For **they** p^e_rsecute him **who**m you have w^o_unded. **They** tell of the sorrow of **tho**^s_e **who**m you have h^u_rt.

27 **Chä**rge them with crime upon crime. Don't let them cöme into yôur righteousness.

28 Let them be blotted out of the böök of life, and not be written with the righteous.

29 But I am in pain and distress. Let yôur salvatiön, Oh Elohim, protect me.

30 I will praise the name of Elohim with a song, and will magnify him with Thanksgiving.

31 It will please better than an ox, or a bull that has hörns and hööfs.

32 The humble have seen it, and are glad. You who seek after Elohim, let yôur heärt live.

33 For YAHWEH hears the needy, and doesn't despise his captive people.

34 Let heaven and earth praise him; the seas, and everything that moves therein!

35 For Elohim will save Zion, and build the cities of Judah. They shall settle there, and own it.

36 The children also of his servants shall inherit it. Those who love his name shall dwell therein.

Psalm 70

1 Hurry, Elohim, to deliver me. Cöme quickly to help me, Oh YAHWEH.

2 Let them be disappointed and confounded who seek my soul. Let those who desire my ruin be turned back in disgrace.

3 Let them be turned because of their shame, who say, "Aha! Aha!"

4 Let all those who seek you rejoice and be glad in you. Let those who love yôur salvatiön continually say, "Let Elohim be exalted!"

5 But I am poor and needy. Cöme to me quickly, Oh Elohim. You are my help and my deliverer. , don't delay.

Psalm 71

In you, YAHWEH, I take refuge. Never let me be disappointed.

2 Deliver me in yôur righteousness, and rescue me. Turn yôur ear to me, and save me.

3 Be to me a rock of refuge to which I may always go. Give the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

- 4 **Rescue** me, **my** Elohim, from the hand of the wicked, from the hand of the **unrighteous** and **cruel** man.
- 5 For you are **my hope**, Adonai YAHWEH; **my confidence** from **my youth**.
- 6 I have **relied** on you from the **womb**. You are he **who took** me **out** of **my mother's womb**. I will **always praise** you.
- 7 I am a **marvel** to many, but you are **my strong refuge**.
- 8 **My mouth** shall be filled **with your praise**, **with your honor** **all** the day.
- 9 **Don't** reject me in **my old age**. **Don't forsake** me **when my strength fails**.
- 10 For **my enemies** **talk** about me. **Those who watch** for **my soul** **conspire together**,
- 11 **saying**, "Elohim has **forsaken** him. **Pursue** and **take** him, for no one will **rescue** him."
- 12 O Elohim, **don't** be **far** from me. **My** Elohim, hurry to help me.
- 13 Let **my accusers** be disappointed and **consumed**. Let **them** be **covered with disgrace** and **scorn** **who want** to **harm** me.
- 14 But I will **always hope**, and will add to **all** of **your praise**.
- 15 **My mouth** will tell **about your righteousness**, and of **your salvation** **all day**, **though** I **don't know** its **full measure**.
- 16 I will **come with** the **mighty** acts of the Adonai YAHWEH. I will **make mention** of **your righteousness**, **even** of **yours** **alone**.
- 17 Oh Elohim, you have **taught** me from **my youth**. Until **now**, I have **declared your wondrous works**.
- 18 Yes, **even** **when** I am **old** and **gray-haired**, Oh Elohim, **don't forsake** me, until I have **declared your strength** to the next **generation**, **your might** to everyone **who is to come**.
- 19 **Your righteousness** **also**, Oh Elohim, **reaches** to the **heavens**; you have **done great things**. Oh Elohim, **who is like** you?
- 20 You, **who** have **shown** us many and bitter **troubles**, you will let me live. You will bring us up **again** from the **depths** of the **earth**.
- 21 **Increase my** **honor**, and **comfort** me **again**.
- 22 I will **also praise** you **with** the **harp** for **your faithfulness**, **my** Elohim . I sing **praises** to you **with** the **lyre**, Holy One of **Israel**.
- 23 My lips **shall shout** for joy! My **soul**, **which** you have **redeemed**, sings **praises** to you!

24 My **t**ongue will **á**lso **tá**lk **a**bout yôur **ri**ghteousness **á**ll **d**ay long, for **th**ey are disappointed, and **th**ey are confounded, **wh**o **wá**nt to **h**árm me.

Psalm 72

1 Oh Elohim, give the king yôur **ju**sti**ç**e; yôur **ri**ghteousness to the royal **s**on.

2 He will **ju**d**g**e yôur **p**eople **w**ith **ri**ghteousness, and yôur **p**ôor **w**ith **ju**sti**ç**e.

3 The **m**ountain**s** **sh**all bring prosperity to the **p**eople. The hill**s** bring the **f**ruit of **ri**ghteousness.

4 He will **ju**d**g**e the **p**ôor of the **p**eople. He will **s**ave the **ch**ildren of the **n**eedy, and will **b**reak the oppressor in **pie**ç**es**.

5 **Th**ey **sh**all **f**ear you **w**hile the sun **e**ndure**s**; and as long as the **m**oon, **th**roughout **á**ll **g**eneration**s**.

6 He will **c**ome **d**own **l**ike **r**ain on the **m**own **g**rass, as **sh**ower**s** **th**at **wá**ter the **é**ar**th**.

7 In his **d**ay**s**, the **ri**ghteous **sh**all flourish, and abundan**ç**e of **pe**a**ç**e, until the **m**oon is no **m**ôre.

8 He **sh**all have **d**ominion **á**lso from **se**a to **se**a, from the River to the end**s** of the **é**ar**th**.

9 **Th**ose **wh**o dwell in the wilderness **sh**all **b**ow befôre him. His **e**nemie**s** **sh**all lick the dust.

10 The king**s** of **T**árshish and of the **i**sland**s** will bring tribute. The king**s** of **S**heba and Seba **sh**all offer gifts.

11 Yes, **á**ll king**s** **sh**all **fá**ll down befôre him. All **n**ation**s** **sh**all **s**êrve him.

12 For he will deliver the **n**eedy **w**hen he **cri**es; the **p**ôor, **wh**o **h**as no helper.

13 He will have pity on the **p**ôor and **n**eedy. He will **s**ave the **s**oul**s** of the **n**eedy.

14 He will **re**deem **th**eir **s**oul from oppressi**o**n and **v**iolen**ç**e. **Th**eir **bl**ood will be **pre**çious in his **s**ight.

15 **Th**ey **sh**all live, and to him **sh**all be given of the **g**old of **S**heba. Men **sh**all **p**ray for him **c**ontinu**a**lly. **Th**ey **sh**all **b**less him **á**ll **d**ay long.

16 Abundan**ç**e of **g**rain **sh**all be **th**roughout the land. Its **f**ruit sways **l**ike Lebanon. Let it flourish, **th**riv**ing** **l**ike the **g**rass of the **f**ield.

17 His **n**ame **e**ndure**s** forever. His **n**ame **c**ontinu**e**s as long as the sun. Men **sh**all be **b**less**e**d **b**y him. All **n**ation**s** will **cá**ll him **b**less**e**d.

18 **P**rais**e** be to YAHWEH Elohim, the Elohim of **I**srael, **wh**o **a**lone **d**oes **m**ärvelous **d**eed**s**.

19 Blessed be his glōrious name forever! Let the whole éarth be filled with his glōry! Amen and amen.

20 **This** ends the prayers by David, the sòn of Jesse

Psalm 73

1 Surely Elohim is goòd to I\$rael, to tho\$e who are pure in heärt.

2 But as for me, my feet were álmòst gone. My steps had nearly slipped.

3 For I was envious of the arrogant, when I sáw the prosperity of the wicked.

4 For **there** are no struggles in **their** death, but **their** strength is firm.

5 **They** are free from búrdens of men, **neither** are **they** plagued like óther men.

6 **Therefóre** pride is like a chain around **their** neck. Violence covers **them** like a gärmént.

7 **Their** eyes bulge with fat. **Their** minds päss the limits of cónceit.

8 **They** scoff and speak with malice. In arrogancé, **they** threaten oppression.

9 **They** have set **their** mouth in the heavens. **Their** tongue wáiks **thru**gh the éarth.

10 **Therefóre** **their** people retûrn to **them**, and **they** drink up waters of abundancé.

11 **They** say, "How dôes EL know? Is **there** knowledg in the Most High?"

12 Behold, **thes**e are the wicked. Being álways at easé, **they** increáse in riches.

13 Surely in vain I have cleansed my heärt, and washed my hands in innocencé

14 For áll day long have I been plagued, and punished every mórning.

15 If I had said, "I will speak thus"; behold, I wóuld have betrayed the gneration of yóur children.

16 When I triéd to understand **this**, it was too painful for me;

17 Until I entered EL'S sanctuary, and cònsidered **their** latter end.

18 Surely you set **them** in slippery places. You **throw** **them** down to destruction.

19 How **they** are suddenly destroyed! **They** are còmpletely swept away with terrors.

20 As a dream when one wakes up, Oh YAHWEH when you awake, you will despise **their** fantasies.

21 For my soul was grieved. I was embittered in my heärt.

22 I was so senseless and ignorant. I was a brute beast before you.

23 Nevertheless, I am continually with you. You have held my right hand.

24 You will guide me with your counsel, and afterward receive me to glory.

25 Whom do I have in heaven? There is no one on earth whom I desire besides you.

26 My flesh and my heart fails, but Elohim is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

27 For, behold, those who are far from you shall perish. You have destroyed all those who are unfaithful to you.

28 But it is good for me to come close to Elohim. I have made Adonai YAHWEH my refuge, that I may tell of all your works.

Psalm 74

1 Oh Elohim, Why have you rejected us forever? Why does your anger smolder against the sheep of your pasture?

2 Remember your congregation, which you purchased of old, which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your inheritance; Mount Zion, in which you have lived.

3 Lift up your feet to the perpetual ruins, all the evil that the enemy has done in the sanctuary.

4 Your adversaries have roared in the middle of your assembly. They have set up their standards as signs.

5 They behaved like men wielding axes, cutting through a thicket of trees.

6 Now they break all its carved work down with hatchet and hammers.

7 They have burned your sanctuary to the ground. They have profaned the dwelling place of your Name.

8 They said in their heart, "We will crush them completely." They have burned up all the places in the land where EL was worshiped.

9 We see no miraculous signs. There is no longer any prophet, neither is there among us anyone who knows how long.

10 How long, Oh Elohim, shall the adversary reproach? Shall the enemy blaspheme your name forever?

11 Why do you draw back your hand, even your right hand? Take it out of your pocket and consume them!

- 12 Yet Elohim is **my** King of **old**, **wô**rking sal**vat**ion **th**rough**o**ut the **ê**ar**th**.
- 13 You **div**ided the **sea** **by** **yô**ur streng**th**. You **bro**ke the head**s** of the **sea** monster**s** in the water**s**.
- 14 You **bro**ke the head**s** of the Levi**ath**an in pie**ce**s. You **gave** him as **fo**od to **pe**ople and de**se**rt cre**atur**e**s**.
- 15 You **o**pened up spring and stre**am**. You **dried** up **mi**ghty river**s**.
- 16 The **day** is **yô**ur**s**, the **ni**ght is **â**lso **yô**ur**s**. You have **pre**pared the **li**ght and the **sun**.
- 17 You have set **â**ll the **bo**undari**e**s of the **ê**ar**th**. You have **made** summer and winter.
- 18 Remember **this**, **that** the enemy has mocke**d** you, YAHWEH. **Foolish** **pe**ople have blasphem**e**d **yô**ur name.
- 19 **Don't** deliver the **soul** of **yô**ur **dô**ve to **wild** **be**asts. **Don't** forget the **li**fe of **yô**ur p**ô**or forever.
- 20 Honor **yô**ur **cô**venant, for **hâ**unts of **violence** fill the **dâ**rk **plac**e**s** of the **ê**ar**th**.
- 21 **Don't** let the oppressed **retû**rn **ashamed**. Let the p**ô**or and **needy** **prais**e **yô**ur name.
- 22 **Aris**e, Oh Elohim! **Ple**ad **yô**ur **own** **câ**us**e**. Remember **h**ow the **foolish** man mocks you **â**ll **day**.
- 23 **Don't** forget the **voic**e of **yô**ur adv**er**sarie**s**. The **tumult** of **tho**s**e** **wh**o **ris**e up **ag**ainst you asc**end**s **cô**ntinu**ally**.

Psalm 75

- 1 We give **th**anks to you Oh Elohim. We give **th**anks, for **yô**ur **Na**me is **ne**ar. Men tell about **yô**ur **wô**ndrous **wô**rks.
- 2 When I **chee**s**e** the appointed **ti**me, I will judg**e** **blame**lessly.
- 3 The **ê**ar**th** and **â**ll its inhabitants **quake**. I **f**irmly **hold** its pillar**s**.
- 4 I said to the arrogant, "**Don't** **bo**ast!" I said to the wicked, "**Don't** lift up the **hô**rn.
- 5 **Don't** lift up **yô**ur **hô**rn on **hi**gh. **Don't** **spe**ak **with** a stiff neck."
- 6 For **neither** from the **e**ast, **nô**r from the west, **nô**r yet from the **sou**th, **cô**me**s** exalt**ation**.
- 7 But Elohim is the judg**e**. He **pû**ts **down** one, and lifts up an**ô**ther.

8 For in YAHWEH'S hand **there** IS a cup, **full** of **foaming** wine mixed with **spices**. He **pours** it **out**. **Indeed** the wicked of the **earth** drink and drink it to its very dregs.

9 But I will declare **this** forever: I will sing **praises** to the Elohim of **Jacob**.

10 I will cut off **all** the **horns** of the wicked, but the **horns** of the **righteous** shall be lifted up.

Psalm 76

1 In **Judah**, Elohim is **known**. His **name** is **great** in **Israel**.

2 His tabernacle as **also** in **Salem**; His dwelling **place** in **Zion**.

3 **There** he **broke** the **flaming** arrows of the **bow**, the **shield**, and the **sword**, and the **weapons** of **war**.

4 **Glorious** are you, and **excellent**, **more** **than** **mountains** of **game**.

5 Valiant men **lie** plundered, **they** have slept **their** **last** sleep. **None** of the men of **war** can lift **their** hands.

6 At **your** rebuke, Oh Elohim of **Jacob**, both **chariot** and **horse** are **cast** into a **deep** sleep.

7 You, **even** you, are to be **feared**. **Who** can stand in **your** sight when you are angry?

8 You **pronounced** judgment from heaven. The **earth** **feared**, and was **silent**,

9 when Elohim **arose** to judgment, to **save** **all** the afflicted ones of the **earth**.

10 **Surely** the **wrath** of man **praises** you. The **survivors** of **your** **wrath** are **restrained**.

11 **Make** **vows** to YAHWEH **your** Elohim, and **fulfill** **them**! Let **all** of his **neighbors** bring **presents** to him **who** is to be **feared**.

12 He will cut off the spirit of **princes**. He is **feared** **by** the **kings** of the **earth**.

Psalm 77

1 **My** **cry** **goes** to Elohim! **Indeed**, I **cry** to Elohim for help, and for him to listen to me.

2 In the **day** of **my** trouble I **sought** YAHWEH. **My** hand **stretched** **out** in the **night**, and didn't get **tired**. **My** soul **refused** to be **comforted**.

3 I remember Elohim, and I **groan**. I **complain**, and **my** spirit is **overwhelmed**. Meditate.

4 You **hold** **my** **eyelids** **open**. I am so troubled **that** I **can't** **speak**.

5 I have **c**onsidered the **day**s of **old**, the **year**s of **ancient** **time**s.

6 I remember **my** song in the **night**. I **C**onsider in **my own** **heä**rt; **my** spirit diligently **inquire**s:

7 “Will YAHWEH reject us forever? Will he be **favorable** no **mö**re?

8 Ha**s** his **l**oving **k**indness **vanish**ed forever? **Dö**e**s** his promise **fail** for **generation**s?

9 Ha**s** EL forgotten to be **grac**ious? Ha**s** he, in anger, **with**held his **c**ompassion?”

10 **Then** I **thö**ught, “I will **appeal** to **this**: the **year**s of the **right** hand of the **Most High**.”

11 I will remember YAH'S **deed**s; for I will remember **yö**ur **wö**nder**s** of **old**.

12 I will **ä**l**so** **meditate** on **ä**ll **yö**ur **wö**rk, and **C**onsider **yö**ur **dö**ing**s**.

13 **Yö**ur **way**, Oh Elohim, is in the **sanctuary**. **Whät** EL is **great** **like** Elohim?

14 You are the Elohim **whö** **dö**e**s** **wö**nder**s**. You have **made** **yö**ur **streng**th **known** **among** the **peop**le**s**.

15 You have **rede**emed **yö**ur **peop**le **with** **yö**ur **ä**rm, the **sön**s of **Jacob** and **Joseph**.

16 The **water**s **sä**w you, Oh Elohim. The **water**s **sä**w you, and **they** **writh**ed. The **de**pt**hs** **ä**l**so** **cö**n**vu**l**se**d.

17 The **cloud**s **pö**ured **ö**ut **wä**ter. The **skie**s **re**sö**und**ed **with** **th**under. **Yö**ur **arrow**s **ä**l**so** **flash**ed **around**.

18 The **voic**e of **yö**ur **th**under was in the **whirl**wind. The **lightning**s lit up the **wö**ld. The **ë**ar**th** trembled and **shö**ök.

19 **Yö**ur **way** was **th**rough the **sea**; **yö**ur **pä**th**s** **th**rough the **great** **water**s. **Yö**ur **fö**öt**steps** were not **known**.

20 You led **yö**ur **peop**le **like** a flock, **by** the hand of **Mo**se**s** and **Aä**ron.

Psalm 78

1 **Hear** **my** **teach**ing, **my** **peop**le. **Tü**rn **yö**ur **ear**s to the **wö**rd**s** of **my** **mö**uth.

2 I will **open** **my** **mö**uth in a **parable** I will utter **dä**rk **saying**s of **old**,

3 **Which** we have **heä**rd and **known**, and **ö**ur **fä**ther**s** have **told** us.

4 We will not **hide** **them** from **their** **children**, telling to the **generation** to **come** the **praises** of YAHWEH, his strength, and his wondrous **deeds** **that** he has **done**.

5 For he **established** a **testimony** in **Jacob**, and appointed a **teaching** in **Israel**, **which** he commanded **our fathers**, **that they should** make **them** known to **their** **children**;

6 **that** the **generation** to **come** might *know*, even the **children** **who should** be **born**; **who should** arise and tell **their** **children**,

7 **that they** might set **their** hope in Elohim, and not forget EL'S **deeds**, but **keep** his commandments,

8 and might not be as **their fathers**, a stubborn and rebellious **generation**, a **generation** **that** didn't make **their** hearts loyal, **whose** spirit was not steadfast with EL.

9 The **children** of **Ephraim**, being **armed** and carrying **bows**, **turned** back in the **day** of battle.

10 **They** didn't **keep** the **covenant** of EL, and **refused** to **walk** in his **Tôrâh**.

11 **They** forgot his doings, his wondrous **deeds** **that** he had **shown** **them**.

12 He did **marvelous** **things** in the sight of **their fathers**, in the land of **Egypt**, in the **field** of **Zoan**.

13 He split the **sea**, and **caused** **them** to **pass** **through**. He **made** the **waters** stand as a **heap**.

14 In the **daytime** he **also** led **them** with a **cloud**, and **all** **night** with a **light** of **fire**.

15 He split rocks in the wilderness, and **gave** **them** drink abundantly as **out** of the **depths**.

16 He **brought** **streams** **also** **out** of the rock, and **caused** **waters** to run **down** like **river**s.

17 Yet **they** still went on to sin against him, to rebel against the Most **High** in the **desert**.

18 **They** tempted EL in **their** heart by **asking** for **food** according to **their** **desire**.

19 Yes, **they** spoke against Elohim. **They** said, "Can EL **prepare** a **table** in the wilderness?"

20 Behold, he struck the rock, so **that** **waters** gushed **out**, and **streams** overflowed. Can he give bread **also**? Will he **provide** flesh for his **people**?"

- 21 **Therefôre** YAHWEH hêard, and was angry. A fire was kindled against Jacob, anger âlso went up against Işrael,
- 22 becaûse they didn't believe in Elohim, and didn't trust in his salvation.
- 23 Yet he commanded the skieş above, and opened the dôrş of heaven.
- 24 He rained down manna on them to eat, and gave them food from the sky.
- 25 Man ate the bread of angels. He sent them food to the full.
- 26 He câused the east wind to blow in the sky. By his power he guided the south wind.
- 27 He rained âlso flesh on them as the dust; winged birds as the sand of the seas.
- 28 He let them fâll in the middle of their camp, around their habitations.
- 29 So they ate, and were well filled. He gave them their own desire.
- 30 They didn't tûrn from their cravings. Their food was yet in their mouthş,
- 31 when the anger of Elohim went up against them, killed some of their fattest, and struck down the young men of Işrael.
- 32 For âll this they still sinned, and didn't believe in his wondrous works.
- 33 **Therefôre** he consumed their days in vanity, and their years in terror.
- 34 When he killed them, then they inquired âfter him. They retûrned and sought EL earnestly.
- 35 They remembered that Elohim was their rock, the Most High Elohim, their redeemer.
- 36 But they flattered him with their mouth, and lied to him with their tongue.
- 37 For their heârt was not right with him, neither were they faithful in his covenant.
- 38 But he, being mêrciful, forgave iniquity, and didn't destroy them. Yes, many times he tûrned his anger away, and didn't stîr up âll his wrâth.
- 39 He remembered that they were but flesh, a wind that pässeş away, and doesn't come again.
- 40 How often they rebelled against him in the wilderness, and grieved him in the desert!
- 41 They tûrned again and tempted EL, and provoked the Holy One of Işrael.
- 42 They didn't remember his hand, nôr the day when he redeemed them from the advêrsary;

- 43 **h**ow he set his **signs** in **Egypt**, his **wonders** in the **field** of **Zoan**,
- 44 he **t**urned **their** **river**s into **blood**, and **their** **stream**s, so **that** **they** **could** not drink.
- 45 He sent **among** **them** **swarm**s of **flies**, **which** **devoured** **them**; and **frog**s, **which** **destroyed** **them**.
- 46 He **gave** **also** **their** **increase** to the caterpillar, and **their** **labor** to the **locust**.
- 47 He **destroyed** **their** **vine**s with **hail**, **their** **sycamore** fig **tree**s with **frost**.
- 48 He **gave** **over** **their** **livestock** **also** to the **hail**, and **their** **flocks** to hot **thunderbolts**.
- 49 He **threw** on **them** the **fierceness** of his **anger**, **wrath**, **indignation**, and **trouble**, and a band of **angels** of **evil**.
- 50 He **made** a **path** for his **anger**. He didn't **spare** **their** **soul** from **death**, but **gave** **their** **life** **over** to the **pestilence**,
- 51 and struck **all** the **firstborn** in **Egypt**, the **chief** of **their** **strength** in the tents of **Ham**.
- 52 But he led **out** his **own** **people** **like** **sheep**, and **guided** **them** in the wilderness **like** a flock.
- 53 He led **them** **safely**, so **that** **they** weren't **afraid**, but the **sea** **overwhelmed** **their** **enemies**.
- 54 He **brought** **them** to the **border** of his **sanctuary**, to **this** **mountain**, **which** his **right** hand had **taken**.
- 55 He **also** **drove** **out** the **nations** **before** **them**, allotted **them** for an **inheritance** **by** **line**, and **made** the **tribe**s of **Israel** to dwell in **their** tents.
- 56 Yet **they** tempted and rebelled **against** the **Most** **High** **Elohim**, and didn't **keep** his **testimonies**;
- 57 but **t**urned back, and dealt **treacherously** **like** **their** **fathers**. **They** were **t**urned **aside** **like** a **deceitful** **bow**.
- 58 For **they** **provoked** him to **anger** with **their** **high** **places**, and **moved** him to **jealousy** with **their** **engraved** **images**.
- 59 When **Elohim** **heard** **this**, he was **angry**, and **greatly** **abhorred** **Israel**;
- 60 So **that** he **abandoned** the tent of **Shiloh**, the tent **which** he **placed** **among** **men**;
- 61 and **delivered** his **strength** into **captivity**, his **glory** into **the** **adversary's** hand.

62 He **â**lso **gave** his **people** **over** to the **swôrd**, and was angry **with** his inheritance.

63 **Fire** **devoured** **their** young men. **Their** **virgin**s had no wedding song.

64 **Their** **priests** fell **by** the **swôrd**, and **their** **widow**s **côu**ldn't **weep**.

65 **Then** YAHWEH **awakened** as one **out** of **sleep**, **like** **mighty** man **who** **shouts** **by** **reâ**son of **wine**.

66 He struck his **advêrsarie**s backward. He **pû**t **them** to a **pêrpetual** **reproach**.

67 **Môre**over he rejected the tent of **Joseph**, and didn't **chee**se the **tribe** of **Ephraim**,

68 But **cho**se the **tribe** of **Judah**, **Mount** **Zion** **which** he **lô**ved.

69 He **built** his **sanctuary** **like** the **heights**, **like** the **êarth** **which** he **has** **established** forever.

70 He **â**lso **cho**se **David** his **sêrvant**, and **tô**ok him from the **sheepfold**s;

71 from **following** the **ewe**s **that** have **their** young, he **brô**ught him to be the **shepherd** of **Jacob**, his **people**, and **Israhel**, his inheritance.

72 So he was **their** **shepherd** **accôrding** to the integrity of his **heârt**, and **guided** **them** **by** the **skillfûlness** of his **hand**s.

Psalm 79

1 Oh Elohim, the **nation**s have **cô**me **into** **yôur** inheritance. **They** have defiled **yôur** **holy** temple. **They** have **laid** **Jeru**salem in **heaps**.

2 **They** have given the dead **bodie**s of **yôur** **sêrvants** to be **feed** for the **birds** of the **sky**, the **flesh** of **yôur** **saints** to the **animal**s of the **êarth**.

3 **Their** **blood** **they** have **shed** **like** **wâ**ter **arôund** **Jeru**salem. **There** was no one to bury **them**.

4 We have **becô**me a **reproach** to **ôur** **neighbor**s, a **scoffing** and **derisîon** to **tho**se **who** are **arôund** us.

5 **Hôw** long, YAHWEH? Will you be angry forever? Will **yôur** **jealousy** **bûrn** **like** **fire**?

6 **Pô**ur **ôut** **yôur** **wrâth** on the **nation**s **that** **don't** **know** you; on the **kingdôms** **that** **don't** **câll** on **yôur** **name**;

7 For **they** have **devoured** **Jacob**, and **destroyed** his **homeland**.

8 **Don't** **hold** the **iniquities** of **ôur** **fôrefâther**s **against** us. Let **yôur** **tender** **mêr**cies **speedily** **meet** us, for we are in **desperate** **need**.

9 Help us, Oh Elohim of **our** salvation, for the glôry of yôur name. Deliver us, and forgive **our** sinš, for yôur name's sake.

10 Why shôuld the nationš say, "Where is **their** Elohim?" Let it be known among the nationš, befôre **our** eyeš, that vengeance for yôur servants' blôod is being pôured out.

11 Let the sighing of the prisoner côme befôre you. Accôrding to the greatness of yôur power, presêrve **thoše** who are sentenced to death.

12 Pay back to **our** neighborš seven timeš into **their** bôšôm **their** reproach with which they have reproached you, Oh YAHWEH.

13 So we , yôur people and **sheep** of yôur pâsture, will give you **th**anks forever. We will praise you forever, to **â**ll generationš.

Psalm 80

1 Hear us, **Shepherd** of Išrael, you who lead **Joseph** like a flock, you who sit abôve the **cherubim**, **shine** out.

2 Befôre **Ephraim** and Benjamin and Manasseh, stîr up yôur might! Côme to **save** us!

3 Tûrn us again, Oh Elohim. Căușe yôur façe to **shine**, and we will be **saved**.

4 Oh YAHWEH, Elohim of **ărmieš**, How long will you be angry against the prayer of yôur people?

5 You have fed **them** with the bread of tearš, and given **them** tearš to drink in lărgē meașure.

6 You make us a sôurçe of contention to **our** neighborš. Our enemies lăugh among **themselves**.

7 Tûrn us again, Oh Elohim of **ărmieš**. Căușe yôur façe to **shine**, and we will be **saved**.

8 You brôught a vine out of **Egypt**. You drove out the nationš, and planted it.

9 You cleared the ground fôr it. It toók deep reet, and filled the land.

10 The mountains were côvered with its shadow. Its boughš were like Elohim's cedarš.

11 It sent out its branches to the sea: Its sheets to the River.

12 Why have you broken down its wăllš, so that **â**ll **thoše** who păs by the way pluck it?

13 The bôar out of the wôod ravages it. The wild animalš of the field feed on it.

14 **T**urn again, we beg you, Elohim of **ä**rmieş. **L**ook down from heaven, and **see**, and vişit **this** vine,

15 the stock **which** yôur right hand planted, the branch **that** you made strong for yôurself.

16 It's bûrned with fire. It's cut down. **They** perish at yôur rebuke.

17 Let yôur hand be on the man of yôur right hand, on the sôn of man **whom** you made strong for yôurself.

18 So we will not tûrn away from you. **Revive** us, and we will cáll on yôur name.

19 **T**urn us again, Oh YAHWEH, Elohim of **ä**rmieş. **C**ause yôur façe to **shine**, and we will be saved.

Psalm 81

1 Sing aloud to Elohim, **our** strength! **Make** a joyful **shout** to the Elohim of Jacob!

2 **Raise** a song, and bring **here** the tambourine, the pleasant lyre with the härp.

3 **Blow** the trumpet at the New Moon, at the full moon, on **our** feast day.

4 For it is a statute for Işrael, an ôrdinançe of the Elohim of Jacob.

5 He appointed it in **Joseph** for a testimony, when he went out over the land of **Egypt**, I heard a language **that** I didn't know.

6 "I removed his **shoulder** from the bûrden. His hands were freed from the bäskeť.

7 You cálled in trouble, and I delivered you. I answered you in the secret plaçe of **thunder**. I tested you at the waters of Meribah."

8 "Hear, my people, and I will testify to you, Işrael, if you would listen to me!

9 **There** shall be no strange EL in you, **neither** shall you wôrship any foreign god.

10 I am YAHWEH, yôur Elohim, **who** brought you up out of the land of **Egypt**. **Open** yôur mouth wide, and I will fill it.

11 But my people didn't listen to my voice. Işrael desired none of me.

12 So I let **them** go after the stubbornness of **their** hearts, **that** they might wâlk in **their** own counsels.

13 Oh **that** my people would listen to me, **that** Işrael would wâlk in my ways!

14 I would soon subdue **their** enemies, and tûrn my hand against **their** adversaries.

15 The **hater**s of YAHWEH would cringe before him, and **thei**r **punish**ment would **lä**st forever.

16 But he would have **ä**lso fed **the**m **with** the finest of the wheat. I will satisfy you **with** **honey** **o**ut of the rock.”

Psalm 82

1 Elohim presides in the company of the Almighty EL. He judges among the Elohim.

2 “How long will you judge unjustly, and **show** pärtiality to the wicked?”

3 “Defend the **we**ak, the pöor, and the fätherless. **Maintain** the **ri**ghts of the pöor and oppressed.

4 Rescue the **we**ak and **needy**. Deliver **the**m **o**ut of the hand of the wicked.”

5 **The**y **don**’t know, **neither** **do** **the**y understand. **The**y wälk back and föth in därkness. All the **foundati**ons of the **ë**arth are **sh**aken.

6 I said, “You are Elohim, **ä**ll of you are **son**s of the Most High.

7 Nevertheless you **sh**all **di**e **li**ke men, and fäll **li**ke one of the **ruler**s.”

8 **Ari**se, Oh Elohim, judge the **ë**arth, for you inherit **ä**ll of the **nati**ons.

Psalm 83

1 Oh Elohim, **don**’t **keep** silent. **Don**’t **keep** silent, and **don**’t **be** still, Oh **EL**.

2 For, behold, yöur **enemi**es are stirred up. **Tho**se who **hate** you have lifted up **thei**r heads.

3 **The**y **con**spire **with** cunning **again**st yöur **peo**ple. **The**y plot **again**st yöur **cherish**ed ones.

4 “Cöme,” **the**y say, “let’s destroy **the**m as a **nati**on, **that** the **name** of **I**srael **may** be remembered no möre.”

5 For **the**y have **con**spired **together** **with** one mind. **The**y förm an **allian**ce **again**st you.

6 The tents of Edom and the **Ish**maelites; **Mo**ab, and the Hagries;

7 Gebal, Ammon, and Amalek; **Phi**listia **with** the inhabitants of Tyre;

8 Assyria **ä**lso is joined **with** **the**m. **The**y have helped the **ch**ildren of Lot.

9 **Do** to **the**m as you did to Midian, as to Sisera, as to Jabin, at the river **Kish**on;

10 who **perish**ed at Endor, who **became** as dung for the **ë**arth.

11 **Make** **their nobles** like Oreb and Zeeb; yes, **all** **their princes** like Zebah and Zalmunna;

12 **who** said, "Let us **take possession** of Elohim's **pästure lands**."

13 Oh **my** Elohim, **make** **them** like tumbleweed; like **chäff** beföre the wind.

14 As the **fire** **that bürn**s the forest, as the **flame** **that** sets the **mountain**s on fire,

15 so **pürsue** **them** with **yôur** tempest, and terrify **them** with **yôur** stôrm.

16 Fill **their** **face**s with **confu**sion, **that** **they** may seek **yôur** name, YAHWEH.

17 Let **them** be disappointed and **dis**mayed forever. Yes, let **them** be confounded and perish;

18 **that** **they** may know **that** you **alone**, **who**s name is YAHWEH, are the Most High over **all** the **earth**.

Psalm 84

1 **How** **lovely** are **yôur** dwellings, YAHWEH of **ärmie**s!

2 **My** soul long**s**, and **even** faints for the **côurts** of YAHWEH. **My** **heä**rt and **my** **flesh** cry **out** for the living EL.

3 Yes, the sparrow has **found** a **home**, and the swallow a nest for **hêr**self, **where** she may have **hêr** young, **near** **yôur** altar**s**, YAHWEH of **ärmie**s, **my** King, and **my** Elohim.

4 Blessed are **tho**s **who** dwell in **yôur** **hou**se. **They** are **älways** **prai**sing you.

5 Blessed are **tho**s **who**s **streng**th is in you; **who** have set **their** **heä**rts on a pilgrimag**e**.

6 **Pä**ssing **throu**gh the valley of Weeping, **they** **make** it a **plac**e of springs. Yes, the **ä**utumn rain **cö**ver**s** it with **blessing**s.

7 **They** **go** from **streng**th to **streng**th. Everyone of **them** **appea**r**s** beföre Elohim in Zion.

8 YAHWEH, Elohim of **ärmie**s, **hear** **my** **prayer**. Listen, Oh Elohim of **Jacob**.

9 Behold, Oh Elohim **our** **shield**, **löö**k at the **fac**e of **yôur** anointed.

10 For a **day** in **yôur** **cô**urts is better **than** a **thou**sand. I **wou**ld **rä**ther be a **dôrk**eeper in the **hou**se of **my** Elohim, **than** to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

11 For YAHWEH Elohim is a sun and a **shield**. YAHWEH will give **grac**e and **glôry**. He **withhold**s no **göö**d **thi**ng from **tho**s **who** **wä**lk blamelessly.

12 YAHWEH of **ärmie**s, blessed is the man **who** trusts in you.

Psalm 85

1 YAHWEH, You have **been favorable** to yôur land. You have **restôred** the **fôrtuneş** of Jacob.

2 You have forgiven the iniquity of yôur people. You have **covered** **âll** **their** sin. Meditate.

3 You have **taken away** **âll** yôur **wrăth**. You have **tûrned** from the fierçeness of yôur anger.

4 **Tûrn** us, Oh Elohim of **our** **salvation**, and **căuse** yôur **indignation** **towărd** us to **cease**.

5 Will you be angry **with** us forever? Will you **drăw** **out** yôur anger to **âll** **generations**?

6 **Won't** you **revive** us **again**, **that** yôur people may **rejoice** in you?

7 **Show** us yôur **loving** **kindness**, YAHWEH. Grant us yôur **salvation**.

8 I will **hear** **whăt** Elohim, YAHWEH will **speak**, for he will **speak** **peace** to his people, his **saints**; but let **them** not **tûrn** **again** to folly.

9 **Surely** his **salvation** is **near** **thoşe** **who** **fear** him, **that** **glôry** may dwell in **our** land.

10 **Mêcy** and **truth** **meet** **together**. **Righteousness** and **peace** have **kissed** **each** **ôther**.

11 **Truth** **springş** **out** of the **êarth**. **Righteousness** has **lôoked** **down** from heaven.

12 Yes, YAHWEH will give **that** **which** is **gôod**. Our land will **yield** its **increase**.

13 **Righteousness** **goeş** **before** him, And **prepareş** the **way** for his steps.

Psalm 86

1 **Hear**, YAHWEH, and **answer** me, for I am **pôor** and **needy**.

2 **Preşerve** **my** **soul**, for I am **righteous**. You, **my** Elohim, **save** yôur **sêrvant** **who** trusts in you.

3 Be **mêrciful** to me, YAHWEH, for I **căll** to you **âll** **day** long.

4 Bring joy to the **soul** of yôur **sêrvant**, for to you, Oh YAHWEH, **do** I lift up **my** **soul**.

5 For You, Oh YAHWEH are **gôod**, and **ready** to **forgive**; abundant in **loving** **kindness** to **âll** **thoşe** **who** **căll** on you.

6 **Hear**, YAHWEH, **my** **prayer**. Listen to the **voicę** of **my** **petitionş**.

7 In the **day** of **my** **trouble** I will **căll** on you, for you will **answer** me.

8 **There** is no one **like** you **among** the Elohim, Oh YAHWEH, **nô**r any **deeds** **like** **yô**ur **deeds**.

9 All **nations** you have **made** will **cô**me and **wôr**ship **befô**re you, Oh YAHWEH. **They** **shall** **glô**rify **yô**ur **name**.

10 For you are **gre**at, and **dë** **wô**ndrous **things**. You **alone** are Elohim.

11 **Teach** me **yô**ur **way**, YAHWEH. I will **wâ**rk in **yô**ur **truth**. **Make** my **heä**rt undivided to **fear** **yô**ur **name**.

12 I will **prai**se you, YAHWEH my Elohim **with** my **whole** **heä**rt. I will **glô**rify **yô**ur **name** forever **mô**re.

13 For **yô**ur **lô**ving **kindness** is **gre**at **towâ**rd me. You have delivered my **soul** from the **lowest** **Sheol**.

14 Oh Elohim, the **prou**d have **ris**en up **again**st me. A **cô**mpany of **viol**ent men have **sô**ught **â**fter my **soul**, and **they** **don't** **hold** **regâ**rd for you **befô**re **them**.

15 But you, Oh YAHWEH are a **mê**rciful and **gra**çious EL, **slow** to anger, and abundant in **lô**ving **kindness** and **truth**.

16 **Tû**rn to me, and have **mê**rcy on me! Give **yô**ur **streng**th to **yô**ur **sê**rvant. **Save** the **sôn** of **yô**ur **sê**rvant.

17 **Show** me a **sign** of **yô**ur **gô**odness, **that** **thos**e **wh**e **hate** me **may** **see** it, and be **shamed**, **beca**use you, YAHWEH, have **help**ed me, and **cô**mforted me.

Psalm 87

1 His **foundati**on is in the **holy** **mountain**s.

2 YAHWEH **lov**es the **gates** of **Zion** **mô**re **than** **â**ll the dwellings of **Jacob**.

3 **Glô**rious **things** are **spoken** **abou**t you, **ç**ity of the Elohim.

4 I will **recô**rd **Rahab** and **Babylon** **among** **thos**e **wh**e **acknowledg**e me. **Behold**, **Philistia**, **Tyre**, and **â**lso **Ethiopia**: "**This** one was **bô**rn **there**."

5 Yes, of **Zion** it will be said, "**This** one and **that** one was **bô**rn in her"; the **Most** **Hig**h himself will **establi**sh **hê**r.

6 YAHWEH will **count**, *when he writes up the people*s, "**This** one was **bô**rn **there**."

7 **Thos**e **wh**e sing as well as **thos**e **wh**e **dan**çe **say**, "All my **spring**s are in you."

Psalm 88

1 YAHWEH, the Elohim of my **salvati**on, I have **cried** **day** and **nig**ht **befô**re you.

- 2 Let **my** prayer enter into **yôur** presence. **Tûrn** **yôur** ear to **my** cry.
- 3 For **my** soul is **full** of trouble~~s~~. **My** life draws near to **Sheol**.
- 4 I am counted among **thosê** who go down into the pit. I am like a man who has no help,
- 5 set apart among the dead, like the slain who lie in the grave, whom you remember no more. **They** are cut off from **yôur** hand.
- 6 You have laid me in the lowest pit, in the darkest depths.
- 7 **Yôur** wrath lies heavily on me. You have afflicted me with **all** **yôur** waves.
- 8 You have taken **my** friends from me. You have made me an abomination to **them**. I am confined, and I can't escape.
- 9 **My** eyes are dim from grief. I have called on you daily, YAHWEH. I have spread out **my** hands to you.
- 10 **Dê** you show wonders to the dead? **Dê** the departed spirits rise up and praise you?
- 11 Is **yôur** loving kindness declared in the grave? Or **yôur** faithfulness in destruction?
- 12 Are **yôur** wonders made known in the dark? Or **yôur** righteousness in the land of forgetfulness?
- 13 But to you, YAHWEH, I have cried. In the morning, **my** prayer comes before you.
- 14 Oh YAHWEH, **Why** **dê** you reject **my** soul? **Why** **dê** you hide **yôur** face from me?
- 15 I am afflicted and ready to die from **my** youth up. While I suffer **yôur** terrors, I am distracted.
- 16 **Yôur** fierce wrath has gone over me. **Yôur** terrors have cut me off.
- 17 **They** came around me like water all day long. **They** completely engulfed me.
- 18 You have put lover and friend far from me, and **my** friends into darkness.

Psalm 89

- 1 I will sing of the loving kindness of YAHWEH forever. With **my** mouth, I will make known **yôur** faithfulness to all generations.
- 2 I indeed declare, "Love stands firm forever. You established the heavens. **Yôur** faithfulness is in **them**."
- 3 "I have made a covenant with **my** chosen one, I have sworn to David, **my** servant,

4 'I will establish yôur offspring forever, and build up yôur throne to **â**ll generations'."

5 The heavens will praise yôur wonders, YAHWEH; yôur faithfulness **â**lso in the assembly of the holy ones.

6 For **wh**e in the skies can be compared to YAHWEH? **wh**e among the sons of the heavenly beings is like YAHWEH,

7 a very **â**wesome Elohim in the council of the holy ones, to be feared above **â**ll those **wh**e are around him?

8 YAHWEH, Elohim of armies, **wh**e is a mighty one, like you? YAH, yôur faithfulness is around you.

9 You rule the pride of the sea. When its waves rise up, you cä/m them.

10 You have broken Rahab in pieces, like one of the slain. You have scattered yôur enemies with yôur mighty ärm.

11 The heavens are yôur. The **ê**arth **â**lso is yôur; the wörld and its fullness. You have founded them.

12 The **n**örth and the south, you have created them. Tabor and Hêrmön rejoice in yôur name.

13 You have a mighty ärm. Yôur hand is strong, and yôur right hand is exälted.

14 Righteousness and justice are the foundation of yôur throne. Loving kindness and truth go before yôur face.

15 Blessed are the people **wh**e lëarn to acclaim you. They wä/k in the light of yôur presence, YAHWEH.

16 In yôur name they rejoice **â**ll day. In yôur righteousness, they are exälted.

17 For you are the glôry of their strength. In yôur favor, **ö**ur hörn will be exälted.

18 For **ö**ur shield belongs to YAHWEH; **ö**ur king to the Holy One of Işrael.

19 **T**hen you spoke in vision to yôur saints, and said, "I have given strength to the warrior. I have exälted a young man from the people.

20 I have found David, my sêrvant. I have anointed him with my holy oil,

21 with **wh**om my hand shall be established. My ärm will **â**lso strengthen him.

22 No enemy will tax him. No wicked man will oppress him.

23 I will beat down his adversaries before him, and strike those **wh**e hate him.

24 But my faithfulness and my loving kindness will be with him. In my name, his hörn will be exälted.

25 I will set his hand **á**lso on the **se**a, and his **ri**ght hand on the **river**s.

26 He will **cá**ll to me, 'You are **my** **Fä**ther, **my** Elohim, and the rock of **my** **salvati**on!'

27 I will **á**lso appoint him **my** firstb**örn**, the **hi**ghest of the **king**s of the **é**ar**th**.

28 I will **keep** **my** **ló**ving **kind**ness for him forever **mô**re. **My** **có**venant will stand **fí**rm **with** him.

29 I will **á**lso **ma**ke his offspring **endu**re forever, and his **th**rone as the **day**s of **heaven**.

30 If his **ch**ildren fors**ake** **my** **Tô**rah, and **don't** wá/k in **my** **ô**rdinan**çes**;

31 if **they** **bre**ak **my** **statu**te, and **don't** **keep** **my** **com**mandments;

32 **then** I will **punish** **their** sin **with** the rod, and **their** iniquity **with** stripes.

33 But I will not **có**mpletely **take** **my** **ló**ving **kind**ness from him, **nô**r **allow** **my** **faith**fulness to **fail**.

34 I will not **bre**ak **my** **có**venant, **nô**r **á**lter **wh**at **my** lips have uttered.

35 **On**ç**e** have I sw**örn** **by** **my** **holi**ness, I will not **lie** to **David**.

36 His offspring will **endu**re forever, his **th**rone **li**ke the sun bef**ô**re me.

37 It will be **establi**shed forever **li**ke the **m**oon, the **faith**ful witness in the **sky**."

38 But you have rejected and sp**urn**ed. You have **been** angry **with** **yô**ur anointed.

39 You have **reneu**nc**ed** the **có**venant of **yô**ur s**ê**rvant. You have **defi**led his **c**rown in the dust.

40 You have **bro**ken **down** **á**ll his **hedg**es. You have **brô**ught his strongh**old**s to **ruin**.

41 All **wh**o **pá**ss **by** the **way** rob him. He **has** **becó**me a **repro**ach to his **neighb**or**s**.

42 You have **exá**lted the **ri**ght hand of his adv**ê**sari**es**. You have **ma**de **á**ll of his **enemi**es **rejoic**e.

43 Yes, you **tû**rn back the **edg**e of his sw**ô**rd, and haven't supp**ô**rted him in battle.

44 You have ended his splendor, and **th**rown his **th**rone **down** to the **g**round.

45 You have **shô**rtened the **day**s of his **y**outh. You have **có**vered him **with** **shame**.

46 **How** long, YAHWEH? Will you **hide** **yô**urself ? Will **yô**ur **wrâ**th **bû**rn **li**ke **fi**re?

47 Remember **how** **shô**rt **my** **ti**me is! For **wh**at vanity have you **cre**ated **á**ll the **ch**ildren of men!

48 What man is he who shall live and not see death, who shall deliver his soul from the power of Sheol?

49 Oh YAHWEH, where are your former loving kindnesses, which you swore to David in your faithfulness?

50 Remember, Oh YAHWEH, the reproach of your servants, how I bear in my heart the taunts of all the mighty peoples,

51 With which your enemies have mocked, Oh YAHWEH, with which they have mocked the footsteps of your anointed one.

52 Blessed be YAHWEH forever more. Amen and Amen.

Psalm 90

1 Oh YAHWEH you have been our dwelling place for all generations.

2 Before the mountains were born, before you had formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, you are EL.

3 You turn man to destruction, saying, "Return, you children of men."

4 For a thousand years in your sight are just like yesterday when it is past, like a watch in the night.

5 You sweep them away as they sleep. In the morning they sprout like new grass.

6 In the morning it sprouts and springs up. By evening, it is withered and dry.

7 For we are consumed in your anger. We are troubled in your wrath.

8 You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence.

9 For all our days have passed away in your wrath. We bring our years to an end as a sigh.

10 The days of our years are seventy, or even by reason of strength eighty years; yet their pride is but labor and sorrow, for it passes quickly, and we fly away.

11 Who knows the power of your anger, your wrath according to the fear that is due to you?

12 So teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

13 Relent, Oh YAHWEH How long? Have compassion on your servants!

14 Satisfy us in the morning with your loving kindness, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

15 **Ma**kē us glad for as many **day**š as you have afflicted us, for as many **year**š as we have **seen** **evil**.

16 Let yō_{ur} wō_{rk} appea_r to yō_{ur} sē_rvants; yō_{ur} glō_{ry} to **thei**r **child**ren.

17 Let the **fa**vor of YAHWEH our Elohim be on us; establish the wō_{rk} of **ou**r hand_š for us; yes, establish the wō_{rk} of **ou**r hand_š.

Psalm 91

1 He **who** dwells in the **secret** **plac**e of the **Most High** will rest in the **shadow** of the **Almi**ghty.

2 I will **say** of YAHWEH, "He is **my** **refug**e and **my** **fō**rtress; **my** Elohim, in **whom** I trust."

3 For he will deliver you from the **snare** of the **fowler**, and from the deadly pestilen**ç**e.

4 He will **cō**ver you **with** his fea**ther**š. Under his wings_š you will **take** **refug**e. His **faith**fulness is yō_{ur} **shield** and ramp**ä**rt.

5 You **shall** not be **afraid** of the terror **by** **nigh**t, **nō**r of the **arrow** **that** **fli**eš **by** **day**;

6 **nō**r of the pestilen**ç**e **that** **wä**ks in **dä**rkn**ess**, **nō**r of the destruction **that** **waste**s at **no**nd**ay**.

7 A **thou**šand may **fä**ll at yō_{ur} **side**, and ten **thou**šand at yō_{ur} **right** hand; but it will not **cō**me **near** you.

8 You will **only** **lō**ok **with** yō_{ur} **eye**š, and **see** the recompense of the wicked.

9 Bec**ä**u**se** you have **made** YAHWEH yō_{ur} **refug**e, and the **Most High** yō_{ur} dwelling **plac**e,

10 no **evil** **shall** happen to you, **neither** **shall** any **plague** **cō**me **near** yō_{ur} dwelling.

11 For he will **püt** his **angel**š in **chä**rg**e** of you, to **guä**rd you in **ä**ll yō_{ur} **way**š.

12 **The**y will bear you up in **thei**r hand_š, so **that** you **won't** **dash** yō_{ur} **fō**ot against a **stone**.

13 You will tread on the **liō**n and cobra. You will trample the young **liō**n and the sē_rpent under**fō**ot.

14 "Bec**ä**u**se** he haš set his **lō**ve on me, **therefō**re I will deliver him. I will set him on **high**, bec**ä**u**se** he haš **known** **my** **name**.

15 He will **cä**ll on me, and I will answer him. I will be **with** him in trouble. I will deliver him, and *honor* him.

16 I will satisfy him **with** long **life**, and **show** him **my** **salvatiō**n."

Psalm 92

1 It is a **gôod th**ing to give **th**anks to YAHWEH, to sing **praises** to yôur **name**,
Most **High**;

2 to pro**cl**aim yôur **l**oving **k**indness in the mô**r**ning, and yôur **faith**fulness every
night,

3 with the ten-stringed **lute**, **with** the **h**ä**r**p, and **with** the melody of the **ly**re.

4 For you, YAHWEH, have **made** me glad **th**rough yôur **wô**rk. I will **triumph** in the
wôrks of yôur **hand**s.

5 **H**ow **great** are yôur **wô**rks, YAHWEH! Yôur **thô**ughts are very **deep**.

6 A senseless man **doe**s'n't **know**, **neither doe**s a **fool** understand **this**:

7 **Th**ough the wicked spring up as the **gr**äss, and **ä**ll the **evildoers**
flourish, **they** will **be** destroyed forever.

8 But you, YAHWEH, are on **hi**gh forever mô**r**e.

9 For, **behold**, yôur **enemies**, YAHWEH, for, **behold**, yôur **enemies shall**
perish. All the **evildoers** will be scattered.

10 But you have **ex**alted **my** **h**ô**r**n **like** **that** of the wild ox. I am anointed **with**
fresh oil.

11 My **eye** has **ä**lso **seen** **my** **enemies**. **My ears** have **h**ê**ard** of the wicked
enemies **who** **rise** up **against** me.

12 The **righteous shall flourish** **like** the p**ä**m **tree**. **He** will **grow** **like** a **ç**edar
in Lebanon.

13 **They** are planted in YAHWEH'S **hou**s**e**. **They** will **flourish** in the **cô**urts of **our**
Elohim.

14 **They** will still **produ**ce **fruit** in **old ag**e. **They** will **be** **fü**ll of sap and **green**,

15 to **show** **that** YAHWEH is up**ri**ght. He is **my** rock, and **there** is no
un**ri**ghteousness in him.

Psalm 93

1 YAHWEH **reign**s! He is **cloth**ed **with** majesty! YAHWEH is **ä**rmed **with**
strength. The **wô**rl**d ä**lso is **establi**sh**e**d. It **cä**n't be **mo**ved.

2 Yôur **thr**one is **establi**sh**e**d from long **ago**. You are from ever**lä**sting.

3 The **flô**ôds have lifted up, Oh YAHWEH, the **flô**ôds have lifted up **their**
voice. The **flô**ôds lift up **their** **wave**s.

4 Above the voices of many waters, the mighty breakers of the sea, YAHWEH on high is mighty.

5 Your statute stand firm. Holiness adorns your house, YAHWEH, forever more.

Psalm 94

1 Oh YAHWEH, you EL of vengeance, you EL to whom vengeance belongs, shine forth

2 Rise up, you judge of the earth. Pay back the proud what they deserve.

3 YAHWEH, how long will the wicked, how long will the wicked triumph?

4 They pour out arrogant words. All the evildoers boasted.

5 They break your people in pieces, YAHWEH, and afflict your heritage.

6 They kill the widow and the alien, and murder the fatherless.

7 They say, "YAH will not see, neither will Jacob's Elohim Consider."

8 Consider, you senseless among the people; you fools, when will you be wise?

9 He who implanted the ear, won't he hear? He who formed the eye, won't he see?

10 He who disciplines the nations, won't he punish? He who teaches man knows.

11 YAHWEH knows the thoughts of man, that they are futile.

12 Blessed is the man whom you discipline, YAH, and teach out of your Torah;

13 that you may give him rest from the days of adversity, until the pit is dug for the wicked.

14 For YAHWEH won't reject his people, neither will he forsake his inheritance.

15 For judgment will return to righteousness. All the upright in heart shall follow it.

16 Who will rise up for me against the wicked? Who will stand up for me against the evildoers?

17 Unless YAHWEH had been my help, my soul would have seen lived in silence.

18 When I said, "My foot slips!" Your loving kindness, YAHWEH, held me up.

19 In the multitude of my thoughts within me, your comforts delight my soul.

20 Shall the throne of wickedness have fellowship with you, which brings about mischief by statute?

21 **They gather themselves together against the soul of the righteous, and condemn the innocent blood.**

22 But YAHWEH has been my high tower, my Elohim, the rock of my refuge.

23 He has brought on them their own iniquity, and will cut them off in their own wickedness. YAHWEH, our Elohim, will cut them off.

Psalm 95

1 Oh come, let's sing to YAHWEH. Let's shout aloud to the rock of our salvation!

2 Let's come before his presence with Thanksgiving. Let's extol him with songs!

3 For YAHWEH is a great EL, a great King above all Elohim.

4 In his hand are the deep places of the earth. The heights of the mountains are also his.

5 The sea is his, and he made it. His hands formed the dry land.

6 Oh come, let's worship and bow down. Let's kneel before YAHWEH, our Maker,

7 for He is our Elohim. We are the people of his pasture, and the sheep in his care. Today, Oh that you would hear his voice!

8 Don't harden your heart, as at Meribah, as in the day of Massah in the wilderness,

9 when your fathers tempted me, tested me, and saw my work.

10 Forty long years I was grieved with that generation, and said, "It is a people that errs in their heart. They have not known my ways."

11 Therefore I swore in my wrath, "They won't enter into my rest."

Psalm 96

1 Sing to YAHWEH a new song! Sing to YAHWEH, all the earth.

2 Sing to YAHWEH! Bless his name! Proclaim his salvation from day to day!

3 Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples.

4 For great is YAHWEH, and greatly to be praised! He is to be feared above all gods.

5 For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but YAHWEH made the heavens.

6 Honor and majesty are before him. Strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

7 Ascribe to YAHWEH, you families of nations, ascribe to YAHWEH glôry and strength.

8 Ascribe to YAHWEH the glôry due to his name. Bring an offering, and come into his courts.

9 Wôrship YAHWEH in holy array. Tremble before him, all the earth.

10 Say among the nations, "YAHWEH reigns." The world is also established. It can't be moved. He will judge the peoples with equity.

11 Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice. Let the sea roar, and its fullness!

12 Let the field and all that is in it exult! Then all the trees of the woods shall sing for joy

13 before YAHWEH ; for he comes, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, the peoples with his truth.

Psalm 97

1 YAHWEH reigns! Let the earth rejoice! Let the multitude of islands be glad!

2 Clouds and darkness are around him. Righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

3 A fire goes before him, and burns up his adversaries on every side.

4 His lightning lights up the world. The earth sees, and trembles.

5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of YAHWEH, at the presence of YAHWEH of the whole earth.

6 The heavens declare his righteousness. All the peoples have seen his glôry.

7 Let all them be shamed who serve engraved images, who boasted in their idols. Wôrship him, all you gods!

8 Zion heard and was glad. The daughters of Judah rejoiced, because of your judgments, YAHWEH.

9 For you, YAHWEH, are most high above all the earth. You are exalted far above all gods.

10 who love YAHWEH, hate evil. He preserves the souls of his saints. He delivers them out of the hand of the wicked.

11 Light is sown for the righteous, and gladness for the upright in heart.

12 Be glad in YAHWEH, you righteous people! Give thanks to his holy Name.

Psalm 98

1 Sing to YAHWEH a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand, and his holy arm, have worked salvation for him.

2 YAHWEH has made known his salvation. He has openly shown his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

3 He has remembered his loving kindness and his faithfulness toward the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our Elohim.

4 Make a joyful noise to YAHWEH, all the earth! Burst out and sing for joy, yes, sing praises!

5 Sing praises to YAHWEH with the harp, with the harp and the voice of melody.

6 With trumpets and sound of the ram's horn, make a joyful noise before the King, YAHWEH.

7 Let the sea roar with its fullness; the world, and those who dwell therein.

8 Let the rivers clap their hands. Let the mountains sing for joy together

9 Let them sing before YAHWEH, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the people with equity.

Psalm 99

1 YAHWEH reigns! Let the people tremble. He sits enthroned among the cherubim. Let the earth be moved.

2 YAHWEH is great in Zion. He is high above all the people.

3 Let them praise your great and awesome name. He is Holy!

4 The King's strength also loves justice. You do establish equity. You execute justice and righteousness in Jacob.

5 Exalt YAHWEH our Elohim. Worship at his footstool. He is Holy!

6 Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel among those who call on his name; they called on YAHWEH, and he answered them.

7 He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud. They kept his testimonies, the statute that he gave them.

8 You answered them, YAHWEH our Elohim. You were an EL who forgave them, although you took vengeance for their doings.

9 Exalt YAHWEH, our Elohim. Worship at his holy hill, for YAHWEH, our Elohim, is holy!

Psalm 100

- 1 **Shout** for joy to YAHWEH, **á**ll you land**ş**!
- 2 **Sê**rve YAHWEH **with** gladness. **Cô**me bef**ô**re his pre**ş**en**ç**e **with** singing.
- 3 Know **th**at YAHWEH, He is Elohim. It is he **whô** ha**ş** mad**e** us and not we ourselves. We are his **pe**opl**e**, and the **sheep** of his **pä**sture.
- 4 Enter **intô** his **g**at**e**s **with** **Th**anksgiving,into his **cô**urt**s** **with** **pr**ai**ş**e. Give **th**anks to him, and bless his **nam**e.
- 5 For YAHWEH is **gô**od. His **lô**ving **k**indness endur**eş** forever, his **fa**ith**ful**ness to **á**ll **g**eneration**ş**

Psalm 101

- I will sing of **lô**ving **k**indness and just**ic**e.To **yo**u, YAHWEH, I will sing **pr**ai**ş**e**ş**.
- 2 I will **be** **care**ful to live a **blameless** **life**. When will **yo**u **cô**me to **m**e? I will w**á**lk **with**in **my** **hou**ş**e** **with** a **blameless** **heä**rt.
 - 3 I will set **no** **vile** **th**ing bef**ô**re **my** **ey**e**ş**. I **hate** the **deed**ş of **fa**ithless men. **Th**ey will not cling to **m**e.
 - 4 A **pervê**rse **heä**rt will **be** **fä**r from **m**e. I will have **noth**ing to **dô** **with** **evil**.
 - 5 I will **silenc**e **whô**ever **secretly** slander**ş** his neighbor. I **won't** toler**ate** one **whô** **iş** **hâ**ughty and **con**çeited.
 - 6 **My** **ey**e**ş** will **be** on the **fa**ith**ful** of the land, **th**at **th**ey may dwell **with** **m**e. He **whô** w**á**lks in a **pê**rfect way, he will **sê**rve **m**e.
 - 7 He **whô** **practi**çe**ş** **de**çeit **won't** dwell **with**in **my** **hou**ş**e**. He **whô** **speaks** **false**h**ô**od **won't** **be** **estab**lish**e**d bef**ô**re **my** **ey**e**ş**.
 - 8 **Mô**rning **by** **mô**rning, I will destroy **á**ll the wicked of the land; to cut off **á**ll the w**ô**rker**ş** of iniquity from YAHWEH'S **ç**ity.

Psalm 102

- Hear **my** **pr**ayer, YAHWEH! Let **my** **cry** **cô**me to **yo**u.
- 2 **Don't** **hide** **yô**ur **fa**ç**e** from **m**e in the **day** of **my** distress. **Tû**rn **yô**ur **ear** to **m**e. Answer **m**e **quickly** in the **day** when I **cä**ll.
 - 3 For **my** **day**ş **côn**sume away **like** smoke. **My** **bone**ş **ä**re **bû**rn**e**d **aş** a **tô**rch.
 - 4 **My** **heä**rt **iş** **blight**ed **like** grä**ss**, and **wither**ed, for I forget to **e**at **my** bread.
 - 5 By **reä**şon of the **voi**ç**e** of **my** **gro**aning, **my** **bone**ş stick to **my** skin.
 - 6 I am **like** a pelican of the wilderness. I have **becô**me **aş** an **ô**wl of the **waste** **plac**e**ş**.

- 7 I **watch**, and have bec**o**me **li**ke a sparrow **th**at **i**s **al**one on the **hou**setop.
- 8 **My** enem**i**e**s** repro**a**ch me **ä**ll **da**y. **Tho**se wh**e** **ä**re mad at me **u**se **my** name **a**s a **c**u**r**se.
- 9 For I have **e**aten **a**she**s** **li**ke bread, and mixe**d** **my** drink **with** **tear**s,
- 10 Bec**a**u**s**e of y**ö**ur indign**ati**on and y**ö**ur wr**ä**th, for y**ou** have **t**aken me **u**p, and **th**rown me **a**way.
- 11 **My** **da**y**s** **ä**re **li**ke a long **sh**adow. I have **wi**thered **li**ke gr**ä**ss.
- 12 But y**ou**, YAHWEH, will remain forever; y**ö**ur ren**o**wn end**u**re**s** to **ä**ll **ge**nerati**o**n**s**.
- 13 Y**ou** will **a**ri**s**e and have m**ê**r**cy** on Z**ion**; for it **i**s **t**ime to have pity on h**ê**r. Yes, the set **t**ime has **c**o**m**e.
- 14 For y**ö**ur s**ê**r**v**ants **t**ake **plea**su**r**e in h**ê**r st**o**n**e**s, and have pity on h**ê**r dust.
- 15 **S**o the **n**ati**o**n**s** will **f**ear YAHWEH'S **n**ame; **ä**ll the **k**ing**s** of the **ê**ar**th** y**ö**ur gl**ö**ry.
- 16 For YAHWEH has **b**uilt up Z**ion**. **H**e has **a**pp**e**ared in hi**s** gl**ö**ry.
- 17 **H**e has **r**esponded to the **p**ray**e**r of the destit**u**te, and has **n**ot desp**i**s**e**d **the**ir **p**ray**e**r.
- 18 **T**his will **b**e **w**ritten **f**ör the **g**enerati**o**n to **c**o**m**e. A **p**eo**p**le **wh**ich will **b**e **c**reated will **p**rai**s**e Y**ä**h.
- 19 For **h**e has **l**ö**o**k**e**d **d**own from the **h**e**i**ght of hi**s** sanct**u**ary. From heaven, YAHWEH s**ä**w the **ê**ar**th**;
- 20 to **h**ear the **g**ro**an**s of the **p**ri**so**ner; to **f**ree **th**ose wh**e** **ä**re c**o**ndem**n**ed to **de**ath;
- 21 **th**at men **ma**y **de**cl**a**re YAHWEH'S **n**ame in Z**ion**, and hi**s** **p**rai**s**e in Jeru**sa**lem;
- 22 **w**hen the **p**eo**p**le**s** **ä**re **g**athered **to**get**her**, the **k**ing**d**o**m**s, to s**ê**r**v**e YAHWEH.
- 23 **H**e **w**eakened **my** streng**th** along the **c**ö**ur**se. **H**e **sh**ö**r**tened **my** **da**y**s**.
- 24 I said, "**My** Elohim, **d**on't **t**ake me **a**way in the middle of **my** **da**y**s**. Y**ö**ur **yea**r**s** **ä**re **th**rou**gh**out **ä**ll **ge**nerati**o**n**s**."
- 25 Of **o**ld, y**ou** **l**a**i**d the **f**oundati**o**n of the **ê**ar**th**. The **h**eav**e**n**s** **ä**re the **w**ör**k** of y**ö**ur **h**and**s**.
- 26 **T**hey will **p**erish, but y**ou** will **e**ndure. Yes, **ä**ll of **th**em will wear **o**ut **li**ke a **g**ärment. Y**ou** will **ch**ang**e** **th**em **li**ke a **cl**oak, and **th**ey will **b**e **ch**ang**e**d.
- 27 But y**ou** **ä**re the **s**ame. Y**ö**ur **yea**r**s** will have **n**o **e**nd.

28 The **children** of yôur sêrvants will cöntinûe. **Their** offspring will **be** established befôre you.”

Psalm 103

Praiße YAHWEH, my soul! All **that is** within me, **praiße** his **holy** name!

2 **Praiße** YAHWEH, my soul, and **don't** forget **âll** his **benefits**;

3 **who** forgivess **âll** yôur **sins**; **who** **heals** **âll** yôur **diseases**;

4 **who** **redeems** yôur **life** from destruction; **who** **crowns** you with **loving** kindness and tender **mêrcies**;

5 **who** **satisfies** yôur **desire** with **gôod things**, **so that** yôur **youth** **is** renewed like the **eagle's**.

6 YAHWEH **executes** **righteous** acts, and **justice** **fôr** **âll** **who** **äre** oppressed.

7 **He** **made** **known** his **ways** to **Moses**, his **deeds** to the **children** of **Ishrael**.

8 YAHWEH **is** **mêrciful** and **gracious**, **slow** to anger, and abundant in **loving** kindness.

9 **He** will not **âlways** **accuse**; **neither** will **he** **stay** angry forever.

10 **He** **has** not dealt with us **accôrding** to **our** **sins**, **nôr** repaid us **fôr** **our** **iniquities**.

11 For **as** the **heavens** **äre** **high** **aböve** the **earth**, **so** **great** **is** his **loving** kindness **töwârd** **thöse** **who** **fear** him.

12 As **fâr** **as** the **east** **is** from the west, **so** **fâr** **has** **he** **removed** **our** **transgressions** from us.

13 **Like** a **fäther** **has** **compassion** on his **children**, **so** YAHWEH **has** **compassion** on **thöse** **who** **fear** him.

14 For **he** **knows** **how** **we** **äre** **made**. **He** **remembers** **that** **we** **äre** dust.

15 **As** **fôr** man, his **days** **äre** **like** gräss. **As** a **flower** of the **field**, **so** **he** **flourishes**.

16 For the wind **pässe** **över** it, and it **is** **gone**. Its **plac** **remembers** it **no** **möre**.

17 But YAHWEH'S **loving** kindness **is** from **everlästing** to **everlästing** with **thöse** **who** **fear** him, his **righteousness** to **children's** **children**;

18 to **thöse** **who** **keep** his **cövenant**, to **thöse** **who** **remember** to **obey** his **precepts**.

19 YAHWEH **has** **established** his **throne** in the **heavens**. His **kingdöm** **rules** **över** **âll**.

20 **Prai**_{se} YAHWEH Yähweh, **you** **angels** of hi**s**, **who** **ä**_{re} **mighty** in streng**th**, **who** **f**_ullfill hi**s** **w**_ord, **o**_beying the voi**ç**_e of hi**s** **w**_ord.

21 **Prai**_{se} YAHWEH, **ä**_{ll} **you** **ä**_{rm}ies of hi**s**, **you** **s**_ervants of hi**s**, **who** **d**_o hi**s** plea**s**_ure.

22 **Prai**_{se} YAHWEH, **ä**_{ll} **you** **w**_orks of hi**s**, in **ä**_{ll} **plac**_es of hi**s** **d**_ominion. **Prai**_{se} YAHWEH, **my** **soul**!

Psalm 104

Bless YAHWEH, **my** **soul**. YAHWEH, **my** **Elohim**, **you** **ä**_{re} very **great**. **You** **ä**_{re} **cloth**_{ed} with **honor** and majesty.

2 **He** **c**_overs himself with **light** **a**_s with a **gä**_rment. **He** **stretch**_es **o**_ut the **heavens** **li**_ke a **c**_urtain.

3 **He** **lay**_s the **beam**_s of hi**s** **re**_oms in the **water**_s. **He** **make**s the **cloud**_s hi**s** **chari**_ot. **He** **wä**_ks on the **wing**_s of the wind.

4 **He** **make**s hi**s** **messenger**_s **wind**_s; hi**s** **s**_ervants **flame**_s of **fire**.

5 **He** **laid** the **foundati**_on**s** of the **ë**_ar**th**, **that** it **shou**_ld not **be** **m**_oved forever.

6 **You** **c**_overed it with **the** **deep** **a**_s with a **cloak**. The **water**_s **stoo**_d **abov**_e the **mountain**_s.

7 At **y**_our **rebu**_ke **they** fled. At the **voi**_ç_e of **y**_our **th**_under **they** **hurried** away.

8 The **mountain**_s **ro**_se, the **valley**_s sank **d**_own, to the **plac**_e **whi**_ch **you** had **assign**_{ed} to **them**.

9 **You** have set a **bound**_{ary} **that** **they** **may** not **pä**_ss **ov**_er; **that** **they** **don't** **t**_urn **again** to **c**_over the **ë**_ar**th**.

10 **He** **send**_s **spring**_s **int**_o the **valley**_s. **They** run **am**_ong the **mountain**_s.

11 **They** give drink to every animal of the **field**. The **wild** **donkey**_s **quench** **their** **th**_irst.

12 The **bird**_s of the **sky** nest **by** **them**. **They** sing **am**_ong the **branch**_es.

13 **He** **water**_s the **mountain**_s from hi**s** **re**_oms. The **ë**_ar**th** **i**_s filled with **the** **fruit** of **y**_our **w**_orks.

14 **He** **cä**_use**s** the **grä**_ss to **grow** **f**_or the **live**_{st}ock, and plants **f**_or man to **cultivat**_{ed}, **that** **he** **may** **produc**_e **feed** **o**_ut of the **ë**_ar**th**:

15 **wine** **that** **make**s glad the **heä**_rt of man, **oil** to **make** hi**s** **fa**_ç_e to **shine**, and **bread** **that** **streng**_{th}_en**s** man'**s** **heä**_rt.

16 YAHWEH'S **tree**_s **ä**_{re} well **wä**_tered, the **çedar**_s of Lebanon, **whi**_ch **he** has **plant**_{ed};

17 where the bîrd\$ make **the**ir nests. The stôrk makes its home in the çypress trees\$.

18 The high mountains\$ äre fôr the wild goats. The rocks äre a refuge fôr the rock badgers\$.

19 He appointed the moon fôr seasons\$. The sun knows\$ when to set.

20 You make dârkness, and it is\$ night, in which äll the animals\$ of the forest prow\$.

21 The young lions\$ rôar äfter **the**ir prey, and seek **the**ir feed from Elohim.

22 The sun rises\$, and **they** steal away, and lay down in **the**ir dens\$.

23 Man goes\$ out to his\$ wôrk, to his\$ labor until the evening.

24 YAHWEH, how many äre yôur wôrks! In wisdom have you made **them** äll. The êarth is\$ full of yôur riches\$.

25 **There** is\$ the sea, great and wide, in which äre innumerable living things\$, both small and large animals\$.

26 **There** the ships go, and leviathan, whom you fôrmed to play **there**.

27 **These** äll wait fôr you, that you may give **them** **the**ir feed in due season\$.

28 You give to **them**; **they** gather. You open yôur hand; **they** äre satisfied with good\$.

29 You hide yôur face: **they** äre troubled; you take away **the**ir breath: **they** die, and retûrn to the dust.

30 You send out yôur Spirit and **they** äre created. You renew the face\$ of the ground\$.

31 Let YAHWEH'S glôry endure forever. Let YAHWEH rejoice in his\$ wôrks.

32 He lóoks at the êarth, and it trembles\$. He touches\$ the mountains\$, and **they** smoke\$.

33 I will sing to YAHWEH as\$ long as\$ I live. I will sing praise\$ to my Elohim while I have any being\$.

34 Let yôur meditation be sweet to him. I will rejoice in YAHWEH.

35 Let sinners\$ be consumed out of the êarth. Let the wicked be no môre. Bless YAHWEH, my soul. Praise\$ YAH!

Psalm 105

Give **th**anks to YAHWEH! Cäll on his\$ name! Make his\$ doings\$ known among the people\$.

2 Sing to him, sing praises\$ to him! Tell of äll his\$ märvelous wôrks.

- 3 Glôry in hiş holy name. Let the heärt of **thoş**^e **who** seek YAHWEH rejoice.
- 4 **Seek** YAHWEH and hiş strength. **Seek** hiş faç^e forever mōre.
- 5 Remember hiş mārvelous wōrks **that** he haş dōne; hiđ wōnderş, and the judgments of hiş mouth,
- 6 you offspring of **Abraham**, hiş sêrvant, you **children** of **Jacob**, hiş **choşen** oneş.
- 7 **He iş** YAHWEH, **our** Elohim. Hiş judgments äre in äll the êarth.
- 8 **He** haş remembered hiş cōvenant forever, the wōrd **which** he commanded to a **thouşand** generations:
- 9 the cōvenant **which** he made with **Abraham**, hiş oth^u to **Isaac**,
- 10 and cōnfirmed the same to **Jacob** fōr a statute; to **Işrael** fōr an everlăsting cōvenant,
- 11 saying, "To you I will give the land of **Canaan**, the lot of your inheritance";
- 12 when **they** wêre but a few men in number, yes, very few, and foreigners, in it.
- 13 **They** went about from nation to nation, from one kingdom to another people.
- 14 **He** allowed no one to de them wrong. Yes, **he** reproved kingş fōr **their** sakes,
- 15 "Don't touch my anointed oneş! Do my prophets no hărm!"
- 16 **He** cālled fōr a famine on the land. **He** destroyed the feed supplieş.
- 17 **He** sent a man before **them**. **Joseph** wăş sold fōr a slave.
- 18 **They** bruişed hiş feet with shackleş. Hiş neck wăş locked in irons,
- 19 until the time **that** hiş wōrd happened, and YAHWEH'S wōrd proved him true.
- 20 The king sent and freed him; **even** the ruler of peopleş, and let him go free.
- 21 **He** made him măster of hiş house, and ruler of äll of hiş possessionş;
- 22 to discipline hiş princeş at hiş pleasure, and to teach hiş elderş wişdom.
- 23 **Işrael** älso came into **Egypt**. **Jacob** lived in the land of Ham.
- 24 **He** increased hiş people greaty, and made **them** stronger **than** **their** adversarieş.
- 25 **He** turned **their** heärt to hate hiş people, to cōnspire against hiş sêrvants.
- 26 **He** sent **Mošes**, hiş sêrvant, and **Aäron**, whom he had **choşen**.
- 27 **They** performed miracleş among **them**, and wōnderş in the land of Ham.
- 28 **He** sent dărkness, and made it dărk. **They** didn't rebel against hiş wōrdş.

- 29 He tûrned **their waters** into **blood**, and killed **their fish**.
- 30 **Their land swârm**ed with **frogs**, even in the **rooms** of **their kings**.
- 31 He **spoke**, and swârm**s** of **flies** came, and in **âll** **their borders**.
- 32 He **gave** **them hail** fôr **rain**, with **lightning** in **their land**.
- 33 He struck **their vine****s** and **âlso** **their fig tree****s**, and **shattered** the **tree****s** of **their country**.
- 34 He **spoke**, and the **locusts** came, and the grässhoppers, **with**out number,
- 35 ate up every plant in **their land**; and **ate** up the fruit of **their ground**.
- 36 He struck **âlso** **âll** the firstbôrn in **their land**, the first fruits of **âll** **their manhood**.
- 37 He brôught **them** out with silver and gold. **There was** not one feeble pêrson among his tribes.
- 38 **Egypt was** glad when **they** depârted, for the fear of **them** had fâllen on **them**.
- 39 He spread a cloud fôr a côvering, fire to give light in the night.
- 40 **They âsked**, and he brôught **quails**, and satisfied **them with** the bread of the sky.
- 41 He **opened** the rock, and **waters** gush**ed** out. **They** ran a**s** a river in the dry **place****s**.
- 42 For he remembered his holy wôrd, and Abraham, his sêrvant.
- 43 He brôught his people out with joy, his **chosen** with singing.
- 44 He **gave** **them** the land**s** of the nation**s**. **They** t**ook** the labor of the people**s** in poss**ession**,
- 45 **that** **they** might **keep** his statute, and ob**sêrve** his **laws**. Prais**e** YAH!

Psalm 106

Prais**e** YAHWEH! Give **th**anks to YAHWEH, fôr he is g**ood**, for his **lôving** kindness endure**s** forever.

2 Who can utter the mi**ghty** acts of YAHWEH, or f**ully** declar**e** **âll** his prais**e**?

3 Blessed âre **thos**e who **keep** justic**e**. Blessed is one who **do**es **wha**t is **ri**ght at **âll** time**s**.

4 Remember me, YAHWEH, with the favor **that** you **show** to yôur people. Visit me with yôur salvati**on**,

5 **that** I may **see** the prosperity of yô_{ur} **cho**sen, that I may rejoice in the gladness of yô_{ur} **nati**on, **that** I may glô_{ry} with yô_{ur} inheritan**ç**e.

6 **We** have sinned with **ou**r fâ**th**er**ş**. **We** have committed iniqu**ity**. **We** have d**o**ne wickedly.

7 Our fâ**th**er**ş** didn't understand yô_{ur} w**o**nder**ş** in **Eg**yp**t**. **The**y didn't remember the multitude of yô_{ur} l**o**ving kindnesse**ş**, but w**e**re rebellious at the se**a**, even at the Red Se**a**.

8 Never**th**eless **he** saved **them** f**o**r hi**ş** name'**ş** sake, that **he** might make hi**ş** mighty power known.

9 **He** rebuk**e**d the Red Se**a** **â**lso, and it w**a**ş dried up; so **he** led **them** **th**rough the depths, a**ş** **th**rough a de**ş**ert.

10 **He** saved **them** from the hand of him wh**o** hated **them**, and rede**e**med **them** from the hand of the enemy.

11 The water**ş** covered **the**ir adv**e**rsarie**ş**. **The**re w**a**ş not one of **them** left.

12 **Then** **the**y belie**v**ed hi**ş** w**o**rd**ş**. **The**y sang hi**ş** prai**ş**e.

13 **The**y **so**on forgot hi**ş** w**o**rks. **The**y didn't wait f**o**r hi**ş** coun**se**l,

14 but g**a**ve in to cr**a**ving in the de**ş**ert, and tested Elohim in the wasteland.

15 **He** g**a**ve **them** **the**ir request, but sent le**a**nness into **the**ir soul.

16 **The**y envied Mo**ş**e**ş** **â**lso in the camp, and A**ä**ron, YAHWEH'S sa**i**nt.

17 The **ê**ar**th** opened and sw**a**llowed up Da**th**an, and covered the c**o**mpany of Abiram.

18 A fire w**a**ş kindled in **the**ir c**o**mpany. The fl**a**me b**û**rn**e**d up the wicked.

19 **The**y made a c**ä**r**f** in Horeb, and w**o**rsh**e**p**e**d a molten im**a**g**e**.

20 **Thus** **the**y ex**ch**ang**e**d **the**ir glory for an im**a**g**e** of a b**û**ll **th**at e**a**ts gr**ä**ss.

21 **The**y forgot Elohim, **the**ir S**a**vi**o**r, wh**o** had d**o**ne gr**e**at **th**ing**ş** in **Eg**yp**t**,

22 W**o**ndrous w**o**rks in the land of Ham, and **â**wes**o**me **th**ing**ş** by the Red Se**a**.

23 **There**f**o**re **he** said **th**at **he** w**o**u**d** destroy **them**, had Mo**ş**e**ş**, hi**ş** **ch**osen, not st**o**od bef**o**re him in the bre**a**ch, to t**û**rn aw**a**y hi**ş** wr**ä**th, so **th**at **he** w**o**u**d**n't destroy **them**.

24 Yes, **the**y desp**i**ş**e**d the ple**a**şant land. **The**y didn't belie**v**e hi**ş** w**o**rd,

25 but m**û**rmured in **the**ir tents, and didn't listen to YAHWEH'S voi**ç**e.

26 **There**f**o**re **he** sw**ô**re to them that **he** w**o**u**d** over**th**row **them** in the wilderness,

- 27 **that** he would **overthrow** **their** offspring among the **nations**, and scatter **them** in the lands.
- 28 They joined **themselves** **also** to Baal Peor, and **ate** the **sacrifices** of the dead.
- 29 **Thus** **they** **provoked** him to anger **with** **their** **deeds**. The **plague** **broke** in on **them**.
- 30 **Then** **Phinehas** **stood** up, and **executed** judgment, **so** the **plague** **was** **stopped**.
- 31 **That** **was** credited to him **f**or **righteousness**, for **a**ll **generations** to **c**ome.
- 32 **They** angered him **also** at the **waters** of Meribah, **so** **that** **Moses** **was** troubled **f**or **their** **sakes**;
- 33 **because** **they** **were** rebellious **against** his spirit, **he** **spoke** **rashly** **with** his lips.
- 34 **They** didn't destroy the **people**, **as** YAHWEH commanded **them**,
- 35 but **mixed** **themselves** **with** the **nations**, and **learned** **their** **works**.
- 36 **They** **served** **their** **idols**, **which** **became** a **snare** to **them**.
- 37 Yes, **they** **sacrificed** **their** **sons** and **their** **daughters** to **demons**.
- 38 **They** **shed** innocent **blood**, **even** the **blood** of **their** **sons** and of **their** **daughters**, **whom** **they** **sacrificed** to the **idols** of Canaan. The land **was** polluted **with** **blood**.
- 39 **Thus** **were** **they** defiled **with** **their** **works**, and prostituted **themselves** in **their** **deeds**.
- 40 **Therefore** YAHWEH **burned** **with** anger **against** his **people**. **He** **abhorred** his inheritance.
- 41 **He** **gave** **them** into the hand of the **nations**. **Those** **who** hated **them** ruled **over** **them**.
- 42 **Their** **enemies** **also** oppressed **them**. **They** **were** **brought** into subjection under **their** hand.
- 43 Many **times** **he** delivered **them**, but **they** **were** rebellious in **their** **counsel**, and **were** **brought** low in **their** **iniquity**.
- 44 **Nevertheless** **he** regarded **their** distress, when **he** **heard** **their** cry.
- 45 **He** remembered **f**or **them** his **covenant**, and repented **according** to the multitude of his **loving** **kindnesses**.
- 46 **He** **made** **them** **also** to be pitied **by** **a**ll **those** **who** carried **them** captive.

47 **S**ave us, YAHWEH, **o**ur Elohim, **g**ather us from among the **n**ations, to give **t**hanks to y**o**ur **h**oly **n**ame, to **t**riumph in y**o**ur **p**raise!

48 Blessed be YAHWEH, the Elohim of **I**srael, from ever**l**asting **e**ven to ever**l**asting! Let **a**ll the **p**eople **s**ay, "Amen." **P**raise YAH!

Psalm 107

Give **t**hanks to YAHWEH, for **h**e **i**s **g**ood, for his **l**oving **k**indness **e**ndure**s** forever.

2 Let the red**e**emed by YAHWEH **s**ay **s**o, **w**hom **h**e has red**e**emed from the hand of the adv**e**rsary,

3 And **g**athered **o**ut of the land**s**, from the **e**ast and from the west, from the **n**orth and from the **s**outh.

4 They **w**andered in the wilderness in a **d**esert way. **T**hey **f**ound **n**o **c**ity to live in.

5 Hungry and **t**hirsty, **t**heir **s**oul **f**ainted in **t**hem.

6 **T**hen **t**hey cried to YAHWEH in **t**heir trouble, and **h**e delivered **t**hem **o**ut of **t**heir distresses,

7 **h**e led **t**hem **a**lso by a **s**traight way, **t**hat **t**hey **m**ight go to a **c**ity to live in.

8 Let **t**hem **p**raise YAHWEH **f**or his **l**oving **k**indness, for his **w**onderful **d**eed**s** to the **c**hildren of men!

9 For **h**e **s**atisfie**s** the longing **s**oul. **H**e fills the hungry **s**oul with **g**ood.

10 **S**ome sat in **d**arkness and in the **s**hadow of death, being **b**ound in affliction and **i**ron,

11 **b**eca**u**se **t**hey rebelled against the **w**ord**s** of Elohim, and **c**on**d**emned the **c**ounsel of the Most **H**igh.

12 **T**here**f**ore **h**e **b**rou**g**ht **d**own **t**heir **h**eart with **l**abor. **T**hey fell **d**own, and **t**here **w**as **n**o one to help.

13 **T**hen **t**hey cried to YAHWEH in **t**heir trouble, and **h**e **s**aved **t**hem **o**ut of **t**heir distresses.

14 **H**e **b**rou**g**ht **t**hem **o**ut of **d**arkness and the **s**hadow of death, and **b**roke away **t**heir **c**hain**s**.

15 Let **t**hem **p**raise YAHWEH **f**or his **l**oving **k**indness, for his **w**onderful **d**eed**s** to the **c**hildren of men!

16 For **h**e has **b**roken the **g**ates of br**a**ss, and cut **t**hrough **b**ar**s** of **i**ron.

17 **F**ool**s** **a**re afflicted **b**eca**u**se of **t**heir **d**isobedienc**e**, and **b**eca**u**se of **t**heir **i**niquiti**e**s.

- 18 **Their** soul abh**ôr** **â**ll kinds of f**œ**od. **They** dr**â**w n**ear** to the g**at**es of de**ath**.
- 19 **Then they** cry to YAHWEH in **their** trouble, he s**av**e**ş** **them** **œ**ut of **their** distresses.
- 20 He s**en**ds hi**ş** w**ô**rd, and he**al**s **them**, and deliver**ş** **them** from **their** grave**ş**.
- 21 Let **them** pr**ai**s**e** YAHWEH f**ô**r hi**ş** l**ô**ving k**in**dn**ess**, for hi**ş** w**ô**nderf**û**l de**ed**ş to the **ch**ildren of men!
- 22 Let **them** offer the sacrific**e**ş of **Th**anksgiving, and decl**ar**e hi**ş** de**ed**ş with singing.
- 23 **Th**o**ş**e wh**œ** go d**œ**wn to the se**a** in **sh**ips, wh**œ** d**œ** business in gr**eat** water**ş**;
- 24 **Th**es**e** s**ee** YAHWEH'S de**ed**ş, and hi**ş** w**ô**nder**ş** in the d**ee**p.
- 25 For he command**ş**, and r**ai**s**e**ş the st**ô**rmy wind, wh**ich** lifts up its wave**ş**.
- 26 **They** m**œ**unt up to the sky; **they** go d**œ**wn ag**ain** to the depth**ş**. **Their** soul melts aw**ay** bec**au**s**e** of trouble.
- 27 **They** r**ee**l back and f**ô**rth, and stagger **li**ke a drunken man, and **â**re at **their** wits' end.
- 28 **Then they** cry to YAHWEH in **their** trouble, and he bring**ş** **them** **œ**ut of **their** distress.
- 29 He m**ak**es the st**ô**rm a c**â**/m, so th**at** its wave**ş** **â**re still.
- 30 **Then they** **â**re glad bec**au**s**e** it **i**ş c**â**/m, so he bring**ş** **them** to **their** d**es**ir**ed** haven.
- 31 Let **them** pr**ai**s**e** YAHWEH f**ô**r hi**ş** l**ô**ving k**in**dn**ess**, for hi**ş** w**ô**nderf**û**l de**ed**ş f**ô**r the **ch**ildren of men!
- 32 Let **them** ex**â**lt him **â**l**so** in the assembly of the p**œ**ple, and pr**ai**s**e** him in the s**œ**at of the elder**ş**.
- 33 He t**û**rn**ş** river**ş** int**œ** a d**œ**sert, w**â**ter spring**ş** int**œ** a th**i**rsy gr**œ**und,
- 34 and a fruitf**û**l land int**œ** s**â**lt waste, for the wickedness of **th**o**ş**e wh**œ** dwell in it.
- 35 He t**û**rn**ş** a d**œ**sert int**œ** a p**œ**ol of w**â**ter, and a dry land int**œ** w**â**ter spring**ş**.
- 36 **There** he m**ak**es the hungry live, **th**at **they** may pr**œ**par**e** a çity to live in,
- 37 sow field**ş**, plant viney**â**rd**ş**, and r**œ**ap the fruit**ş** of incre**as**e.
- 38 He bless**ş** **them** **â**l**so**, so th**at** **they** **â**re multipli**ed** gr**eat**ly. He d**œ**s**n**'t allow **their** liv**œ**stock to decre**as**e.
- 39 Again, **they** **â**re diminish**ed** and bow**œ**d d**œ**wn **th**rough oppressi**œ**n, trouble, and sorrow.

40 He p~~o~~ur\$ contempt on prin~~ce~~s\$, and c~~au~~se\$ them to w~~an~~der in a trackless waste.

41 Yet he lifts the ne~~ed~~y ~~ou~~t of the~~ir~~ affliction, and incre~~ase~~s the~~ir~~ familie\$ like a flock.

42 The up~~ri~~ght will see it, and be glad. All the wicked will sh~~ut~~ the~~ir~~ mou~~th~~s\$.

43 Who~~e~~ver i\$ wi\$e will pay attention to the\$e thi~~ng~~s\$. They will Co~~n~~sider the lo~~vi~~ng kindnesse\$ of YAHWEH.

Psalm 108

A Song. A Psalm by David.

My he~~ä~~rt i\$ steadfä\$st, Elohim. I will sing and I will ma~~ke~~ mu\$ic with my soul.

2 Wa~~ke~~ up, härp and ly~~re~~! I will wa~~ke~~ up the d~~ow~~n.

3 I will give th~~an~~ks to yo~~u~~, YAHWEH, am~~on~~g the na~~ti~~on\$. I will sing pra~~ise~~s\$ to yo~~u~~ am~~on~~g the pe~~op~~le\$.

4 For y~~o~~ur lo~~vi~~ng kindness i\$ gre~~at~~ ab~~ov~~e the heav~~en~~s\$. Y~~o~~ur fa~~ith~~fulness re~~ache~~s\$ to the skie\$.

5 Be ex~~al~~ted, Elohim, ab~~ov~~e the heav~~en~~s\$! Let y~~o~~ur gl~~o~~ry be over ä~~ll~~ the e~~ar~~th.

6 That y~~o~~ur be~~lo~~ved may be delivered, save with y~~o~~ur ri~~gh~~t hand, and answer us.

7 Elohim ha\$ spoken from hi\$ sanctu~~ar~~y: "In triu~~mp~~h, I will divide Shechem, and mea\$ure ~~ou~~t the valley of Succ~~oth~~.

8 Gilead i\$ mi~~ne~~. Manasseh i\$ mi~~ne~~. Eph~~ra~~im ä~~l~~so i\$ my helmet. Judah i\$ my s~~ce~~pter.

9 Moab i\$ my wa\$h pot. I will toss my sandal on Ed~~om~~. I will sh~~ou~~t over Phi~~li~~stia."

10 Who~~e~~ will bring me inte the förtified ~~ci~~ty? Who~~e~~ ha\$ led me to Edom?

11 Haven't yo~~u~~ rejected us, Elohim? Yo~~u~~ don't go ~~ou~~t, Elohim, with ~~ou~~r ä~~rm~~ie\$.

12 Give us help ag~~ai~~nst the enemy, for the help of man i\$ vain.

13 Th~~rou~~gh Elohim, we will d~~e~~ valiantly. For it i\$ he who~~e~~ will tread d~~ow~~n ~~ou~~r enemie\$.

Psalm 109

Elohim of my pra~~ise~~, don't remain silent,

2 for the~~y~~ have ~~o~~pened the mou~~th~~ of the wicked and the mou~~th~~ of de~~ce~~it ag~~ai~~nst me. They have spoken to me with a ly~~ing~~ tou~~ng~~ue.

- 3 **They** have **also** surrounded me with **words** of hatred, and **fought** against me **without** a **cause**.
- 4 In return **for my love**, **they are my adversaries**; but I am in prayer.
- 5 **They** have rewarded me **evil for good**, and hatred **for my love**.
- 6 Set a wicked man **over him**. Let an **adversary** stand at his **right hand**.
- 7 When **he is judged**, let him come **out guilty**. Let his **prayer be turned into sin**.
- 8 Let his **days be few**. Let **another take his office**.
- 9 Let his **children be fatherless**, and his **wife a widow**.
- 10 Let his **children be wandering beggars**. Let **them be sought from their ruins**.
- 11 Let the creditor **seize all that he has**. Let **strangers plunder the fruit of his labor**.
- 12 Let **there be no one** to extend kindness to him, **neither let there be anyone** to have pity on his **fatherless children**.
- 13 Let his **posterity be cut off**. In the **generation following** let **their name be blotted out**.
- 14 Let the **iniquity of his fathers be remembered by YAHWEH**. **Don't let the sin of his mother be blotted out**.
- 15 Let **them be before YAHWEH continually, that he may cut off their memory from the earth**;
- 16 **because he** didn't remember to **show kindness**, but **persecuted the poor and needy man**, the **broken in heart**, to kill **them**.
- 17 Yes, **he loved cursing**, and it **came to him**. **He** didn't **delight in blessing**, and it **was far from him**.
- 18 **He clothed himself also with cursing as with his garment**. It **came into his inward parts like water, like oil into his bones**.
- 19 Let it **be to him as the clothing with which he covers himself**, for the belt **that is always around him**.
- 20 **This is the reward of my adversaries from YAHWEH, of those who speak evil against my soul**.
- 21 But **deal with me, YAHWEH for your name's sake**, **because your loving kindness is good**, deliver me;
- 22 for I am **poor and needy. My heart is wounded within me**.
- 23 I **fade away like an evening shadow**. I am **shaken off like a locust**.

24 **My knees** *ä*re weak **th**rough *fä*sting. **My** body *is* **th**in and lacks fat.

25 I have **ä**lso becöme a repro**ach** to **them**. When **they see** me, **they shake** **their** head.

26 Help me, YAHWEH, **my** Elohim. **Save** me accörding to yöur löving kindness;

27 **that they** may know **that this is** yöur hand; **that you**, YAHWEH, have *dö*ne it.

28 **They** may cürse, but **you** bless. When **they arise**, **they will be shamed**, but yöur sêrvant **shall rejoic**e.

29 Let my advêrsari**es** be clothed with dishonor. Let **them cö**ver **themselves** with **their own shame** *as* with a robe.

30 I will give great **th**anks to YAHWEH with **my mouth**. Yes, I will *prais*e him among the multitude.

31 For **he** will stand at the *right* hand of the needy, to **save** him from **thö**se who judg*e* his soul.

Psalm 110

YAHWEH says to my master, “Sit at my *right* hand, until I **make** yöur **enemies** yöur föötst**ool** fôr yöur feet.”

2 YAHWEH will send **ö**ut the rod of yöur streng**th** **ö**ut of Zion. **Rule** among yöur **enemies**.

3 Yöur **people** offer **themselves** willingly in the *day* of yöur **power**, in *holy* array. Out of the **wö**mb of the mörning, **you** have the dew of yöur *youth*.

4 YAHWEH has swörn, and will not **chang**e his mind: “**You ä**re a priest forever in the örder of Melchizedek.”

5 YAHWEH *is* at yöur *right* hand. **He** will crush kings in the *day* of his *wrät*h.

6 **He** will judg*e* among the **nations**. **He** will *he*ap up dead bodies. **He** will crush the ruler of the *whole* *ê*arth.

Psalm 111

*Prais*e YAH! I will give **th**anks to YAHWEH with **my whole** *heä*rt, in the **cöun**cil of the up**ri**ght, and in the congregat**ion**.

2 YAHWEH’S wörks *ä*re great, pondered by **ä**ll **thö**se who delight in **them**.

3 His wörk *is* honor and majesty. His *righte*ousness endure**s** forever.

4 **He** has *cä*used his wonderful wörks to **be** remembered. YAHWEH *is* grac**ious** and mêrcif**ul**.

5 He haş given **foöd** to **thoşe** who **fear** him. He **âlways** remembers his **cövenant**.

6 He haş **shown** his **people** the **pöwer** of his **wörks**, in giving **them** the **heritage** of the **nations**.

7 The **wörks** of his **hands** **äre** **truth** and **justiçe**. All his **precepts** **äre** **sure**.

8 **They** **äre** **established** forever and ever. **They** **äre** **döne** in **truth** and **uprightness**.

9 He haş sent **redemption** to his **people**. He haş **órdained** his **cövenant** forever. His **name** **iş** **holy** and **âwesöme**!

10 The **fear** of YAHWEH **iş** the beginning of **wişdom**. All **thoşe** who **de** his **wörk** have a **góöd** understanding. His **praişe** **endureş** forever!

Psalm 112

Praişe YAH! Blessed **iş** the man who **fearş** YAHWEH, who **delights** **greatly** in his **commandments**.

2 His **offspring** will **be** **mighty** in the land. The **generation** of the **upright** will **be** **blessed**.

3 **Wealth** and **riches** **äre** in his **houşe**. His **righteousness** **endureş** forever.

4 **Light** **dâwnş** in the **därkness** **för** the **upright**, **gracious**, **mêrciful**, and **righteous**.

5 It **iş** well **with** the man who **dealş** **graciously** and **lendş**. He will **maintain** his **câuşe** in **judgment**.

6 For **he** will never **be** **shaken**. The **righteous** will **be** **remembered** forever.

7 He will not **be** **afraid** of **evil newş**. His **heärt** **iş** **steadfäst**, trusting in YAHWEH.

8 His **heärt** **iş** **established**. He will not **be** **afraid** in the end when **he** **seeş** his **advêrsaries**.

9 He haş **dispersed**, **he** haş **given** to the **pöor**. His **righteousness** **endureş** forever. His **hörn** will **be** **exálted** **with** **honor**.

10 The wicked will **see** it, and **be** **grieved**. He **shall** **gnash** **with** his **teeth**, and melt away. The **deşire** of the wicked will **perish**

Psalm 113

Praişe YAH! **Praişe**, you **sêrvants** of YAHWEH, **praişe** YAHWEH'S **name**.

2 Blessed **be** YAHWEH'S **name**, from **this time** **förward** and forever **möre**.

3 From the **rişing** of the sun to the **going down** of the **same**, YAHWEH'S **name** **iş** to **be** **praişed**.

4 YAHWEH i\$ hi\$ above áll nation\$, hi\$ glôry above the heaven\$.

5 Who i\$ like YAHWEH, our Elohim, who ha\$ hi\$ seat on high,

6 Who stoops down to see in heaven and in the éarth?

7 He raïse\$ up the pôor out of the dust. Lifts up the needy from the ash heap;

8 that he may set him with prince\$, even with the prince\$ of hi\$ people.

9 He settle\$ the barren wôman in hêr home, as a joyfùl môther of children.
Prai\$e YAH!

Psalm 114

When I\$rael went out of Egypt, the hou\$e of Jacob from a people of foreign language;

2 Judah became hi\$ sanctuary, I\$rael hi\$ dôminion.

3 The sea sâw it, and fled. The Jôrdan wa\$ driven back.

4 The mountain\$ skippe\$d like ram\$, the little hills like lamb\$.

5 What wa\$ it, you sea, that you fled? You Jôrdan, that you tûrned back?

6 You mountain\$, that you skippe\$d like ram\$; you little hills, like lamb\$?

7 Tremble, you éarth, at the pre\$ençe of the Lôrd, at the pre\$ençe of the Elohim of Jacob,

8 who tûrned the rock into a pool of wâter, the flint into a spring of water\$.

Psalm 115

Not to us, YAHWEH, not to us, but to yôur name give glôry, for yôur lôving kindness, and fôr yôur truth's sake.

2 Why shôuld the nation\$ say, "Where i\$ their Elohim, now?"

3 But our Elohim i\$ in the heaven\$. He doe\$ whatever he please\$.

4 Their idol\$ äre silver and gold, the wôrk of men's hand\$.

5 They have mouth\$, but they don't speak. They have eye\$, but they don't see.

6 They have ear\$, but they don't hear. They have no\$e\$, but they don't smell.

7 They have hand\$, but they don't feel. They have feet, but they don't wâlk, neither do they speak through their throat.

8 Tho\$e who make them will be like them; yes, everyone who trusts in them.

9 I\$rael, trust in YAHWEH! He i\$ their help and their shield.

- 10 **Hou**se of Aäron, trust in YAHWEH! **He i**s **the**ir help and **the**ir **sh**ield.
- 11 **You** **wh**o **f**ear YAHWEH, trust in YAHWEH! **He i**s **the**ir help and **the**ir **sh**ield.
- 12 YAHWEH remember**s** us. **He** will bless us. **He** will bless the **hou**se of **I**srael. **He** will bless the **hou**se of Aäron.
- 13 **He** will bless **tho**se **wh**o **f**ear YAHWEH, **bo**th sm**ä**ll and gre**a**t.
- 14 **May** YAHWEH incre**a**se **you** m**ö**re and m**ö**re, **you** and y**ö**ur **ch**ildren.
- 15 Blessed **ä**re **you** **by** YAHWEH, **wh**o **m**ade heaven and **ë**ar**th**.
- 16 The heav**e**n**s** **ä**re the heav**e**n**s** of YAHWEH; but the **ë**ar**th** ha**s** **h**e given to the **ch**ildren of men.
- 17 The dead **don**'t **prai**se YAH, **neith**er any **wh**o **g**o **d**own into **sil**en**ç**e;
- 18 But **w**e will bless YAH, from **th**is time **fö**ward and forever m**ö**re. **Prai**se YAH!

Psalm 116

- I **lö**ve YAHWEH, beca**u**se **h**e listen**s** to my **voi**ç**e**, and my **cri**es **fö**r m**ê**rcy.
- 2 Bec**a**use **h**e ha**s** **tü**rn**e**d hi**s** ear to me, **ther**ef**ö**re I will **cä**ll on him a**s** long a**s** I live.
- 3 The **cö**rd**s** of dea**th** sur**rou**nded me, the **pain**s of **She**ol got a **hold** of me. I **f**ound trouble and sorrow.
- 4 **Th**en I **cä**ll**e**d on YAHWEH'S **na**me: "YAHWEH, I beg **you**, deliver my **soul**."
- 5 YAHWEH **i**s gra**ç**ious and **right**eous. Yes, **ö**ur Elohim **i**s m**ê**rciful.
- 6 YAHWEH **pre**se**r**ve**s** the simple. I **wa**s **brö**ught **low**, and **h**e **s**aved me.
- 7 Ret**ü**rn to y**ö**ur rest, my **soul**, for YAHWEH ha**s** dealt **b**ountifully **with** **you**.
- 8 For **you** have delivered my **soul** from dea**th**, my **ey**es from **tear**s, and my **feet** from **fä**lling.
- 9 I will **wä**k bef**ö**re YAHWEH in the land of the living.
- 10 I **belie**ved, **ther**ef**ö**re I said, "I **wa**s gre**a**tly afflicted."
- 11 I said in my **haste**, "All men **ä**re **liar**s."
- 12 **Wh**at will I give to YAHWEH **fö**r **ä**ll hi**s** benefits tow**ä**rd me?
- 13 I will **ta**ke the cup of salva**ti**on, and **cä**ll on YAHWEH'S **na**me.
- 14 I will **pay** my **vow**s to YAHWEH, yes, in the **pre**se**n**ç**e** of **ä**ll hi**s** **peo**ple.
- 15 **Prec**ious in YAHWEH'S **si**ght **i**s the dea**th** of hi**s** **sa**ints.

16 YAHWEH, truly I am yô_{ur} sê_{rvant}. I am yô_{ur} sê_{rvant}, the sôn of yô_{ur} sê_{rvant}. You have freed me from my chains.

17 I will offer to you the sacrific_e of **Thanksgiving**, and will c_{all} on YAHWEH Yâhweh's name.

18 I will pay my v_{ow}s to YAHWEH, yes, in the pr_{es}en_ce of **âll** his people,

19 in the c_ôurts of YAHWEH'S h_{ou}s_e, in the middle of you, Jeru_salem. Prai_se YAH!

Psalm 117

Prai_se YAHWEH, **âll** you nation_s! Extol him, **âll** you people_s!

2 For his l_{ov}ing k_{in}dness i_s great tow_{ar}d us. YAHWEH'S fa_{ith}ful_{ness} endure_s forever. Prai_se YAH!

Psalm 118

Give **th**anks to YAHWEH, f_or he i_s g_{oo}d, for his l_{ov}ing k_{in}dness endure_s forever.

2 Let Is_{ra}el n_{ow} say **th**at his l_{ov}ing k_{in}dness endure_s forever.

3 Let the h_{ou}s_e of A_âron n_{ow} say **th**at his l_{ov}ing k_{in}dness endure_s forever.

4 N_{ow} let **thos_e wh_o fear YAHWEH say **th**at his l_{ov}ing k_{in}dness endure_s forever.**

5 Out of my distress, I c_{all}ed on YAH. YAH answered me with freed_om.

6 YAHWEH i_s on my side. I will not be afraid. Wh_{at} can man d_o to me?

7 YAHWEH i_s on my side am_ong **thos_e wh_o help me. **Th**eref_ore I will l_{oo}k in triumph at **thos_e wh_o hate me.****

8 It i_s better to tak_e refu_ge in YAHWEH, **th**an to p_ut confiden_ce in man.

9 It i_s better to tak_e refu_ge in YAHWEH, **th**an to p_ut confiden_ce in prin_ces.

10 All the nation_s surr_ounded me, but in YAHWEH'S name, I cut **th**em off.

11 **Th**ey surr_ounded me, yes, **th**ey surr_ounded me. In YAHWEH'S name I inde_ed cut **th**em off.

12 **Th**ey surr_ounded me lik_e bee_s. **Th**ey **â**re quenched lik_e the b_ûrning th_orn_s. In YAHWEH'S name I cut **th**em off.

13 You p_ush_ed me back h_ârd, to mak_e me f_âll, but YAHWEH help_ed me.

14 YAH i_s my streng_{th} and song. He ha_s bec_ome my salvati_on.

15 The voi_ce of rejoic_ing and salvati_on i_s in the tents of the righ_teous. "The righ_t hand of YAHWEH d_oe_s valiantly.

16 The **ri**ght hand of YAHWEH **i**ş ex~~á~~lted! The **ri**ght hand of YAHWEH **dó**es valiantly!”

17 I will not **di**e, but live, and declar**e** YAH'S w~~ô~~rks.

18 YAH haş **punished** me sever**e**ly, but **he** haş not given me **over** to dea**th**.

19 **O**pen to **me** the **ga**tes of **ri**ght**e**ousness. I will enter into **th**em. I will give **th**anks to YAH.

20 **T**his **i**ş the **ga**te of YAHWEH; the **ri**ght**e**ous will enter into **th**em.

21 I will give **th**anks to **you**, **f**ô**r** **you** have answered **me**, and have bec**ô**me my salvati**ô**n.

22 The **st**one **wh**ich the build**e**rş rejected haş bec**ô**me the head of the c**ô**rner.

23 **T**his **i**ş YAHWEH'S d**o**ing. It **i**ş m**ä**rvelous in **ô**ur **ey**es.

24 **T**his **i**ş the **da**y **th**at YAHWEH haş **ma**d**e**. We will rejoy**ç**e and **be** glad in it!

25 **S**ave us **n**ow, **w**e beg **you**, YAHWEH! YAHWEH, **w**e beg **you**, send prosperity **n**ow.

26 Blessed **i**ş **he** **wh**o c**ô**meş in YAHWEH'S **na**me! We have blessed **you** **ô**ut of YAHWEH'S **hou**se.

27 YAHWEH **i**ş Elohim, and **he** haş given us **li**ght. Bind the sacrific**ç**e with c**ô**rdş, **even** to the h**ô**rnş of the **ä**ltar.

28 **You** **ä**re my Elohim, and I will give **th**anks to **you**. **You** **ä**re my Elohim, I will ex~~á~~lt **you**.

29 **O**h give **th**anks to YAHWEH, **f**ô**r** **he** **i**ş g**ô**od, for hiş **l**oving kind**ne**ss endur**e**ş forever.

Psalm 119

ALEPH

Blessed **ä**re **tho**ş**e** **wh**oş**e** wayş **ä**re blameless, **wh**o w**ä**lk acc**ô**rding to YAHWEH T**ô**rah.

2 Blessed **ä**re **tho**ş**e** **wh**o keep hiş **statu**te, **wh**o **seek** him with **th**eir whole he**ä**rt.

3 Yes, **th**ey **d**o **n**ô**th**ing wrong. **T**hey w**ä**lk in hiş wayş.

4 **You** have commanded y**ô**ur pre**ç**epts, **th**at **w**e sh**ô**uld f**ü**lly **ob**ey **th**em.

5 **O**h **th**at my wayş w**ê**re steadf**ä**st to **ob**ey y**ô**ur **statu**te!

6 **T**hen I w**ô**uldn't **be** disappointed, when I C**ô**nsider **ä**ll of y**ô**ur commandments.

7 I will give **th**anks to **you** with up**ri**ghtness of he**ä**rt, when I l**ê**arn y**ô**ur **ri**ght**e**ous judg**g**ments.

8 I will ob**s**erve y**ô**ur statu**t**e. Don't utterly fors**a**ke me.

BET

9 H**o**w can a young man keep his way pur**e**? B**y** living acc**ô**rding to y**ô**ur w**ô**rd.

10 W**ith** my whole he**ä**rt, I have s**ô**ught you. Don't let me w**ä**nder from y**ô**ur commandments.

11 I have hidden y**ô**ur w**ô**rd in my he**ä**rt, **th**at I m**i**ght not sin against you.

12 Blessed **ä**re yo**u**, YAHWEH. T**e**ach me y**ô**ur statu**t**e.

13 W**ith** my lips, I have declar**e**d **ä**ll the **ô**rdinan**ç**e**s** of y**ô**ur m**ö**uth.

14 I have rejoic**e**d in the way of y**ô**ur testim**ô**nie**s**, a**s** much a**s** in **ä**ll rich**e**s.

15 I will medit**a**te on y**ô**ur pre**ç**epts, and C**ô**nsider y**ô**ur way**s**.

16 I will del**i**ght my**s**elf in y**ô**ur statu**t**e. I will not forget y**ô**ur w**ô**rd.

GIMEL

17 D**e** g**ô**ôd to y**ô**ur s**ê**rvant. I will live and I will ob**e**y y**ô**ur w**ô**rd.

18 O**p**en my ey**e**s, **th**at I may see w**ô**ndrous **th**ing**s** o**u**t of y**ô**ur T**ô**rah.

19 I am a stran**g**er on the **ê**ar**th**. Don't h**i**de y**ô**ur commandments from me.

20 My soul **i**s c**ô**nsumed w**ith** longing f**ô**r y**ô**ur **ô**rdinan**ç**e**s** at **ä**ll time**s**.

21 Y**o**u have rebuk**e**d the proud wh**e** **ä**re c**û**rs**e**d, wh**e** w**ä**nder from y**ô**ur commandments.

22 Take repro**a**ch and contempt aw**a**y from me, for I have kept y**ô**ur statu**t**e.

23 **Th**o**u**gh prin**ç**e**s** sit and slander me, y**ô**ur s**ê**rvant will medit**a**te on y**ô**ur statu**t**e

24 I**n**deed y**ô**ur statu**t**e **ä**re my del**i**ght, and my c**ô**nselors**s**.

DALED

25 My soul **i**s la**i**d low in the dust. Rev**i**ve me acc**ô**rding to y**ô**ur w**ô**rd!

26 I declar**e**d my way**s**, and yo**u** answer**e**d me. T**e**ach me y**ô**ur statu**t**e.

27 Let me understand the t**e**aching of y**ô**ur pre**ç**epts! **Th**en I will medit**a**te on y**ô**ur w**ô**ndrous w**ô**rks.

28 M**y** soul **i**s we**a**ry w**ith** sorrow: streng**th**en me acc**ô**rding to y**ô**ur w**ô**rd.

29 K**e**ep me from the way of de**ç**eit. Grant me y**ô**ur T**ô**rah gra**ç**iously!

30 I have **ch**o**s**en the way of tru**th**. I have set y**ô**ur **ô**rdinan**ç**e**s** bef**ô**re me.

31 I cling to y**ô**ur statu**t**e, YAHWEH. Don't let me be disappointed.

32 I run in the **päth** of yôur commandments, for you have set my **heärt free**.

HEY

33 **Tech** me, YAHWEH, the way of yôur statute. I will **keep them** to the end.

34 Give me understanding, and I will **keep** yôur Tôrah. Yes, I will **obey** it with my whole **heärt**.

35 Direct me in the **päth** of yôur commandments, for I **delight** in **them**.

36 **Tûrn** my **heärt** toward yôur statute, not toward selfish **gain**.

37 **Tûrn** my **eyes** away from **lôoking** at **wôthless things**. **Revive** me in yôur **ways**.

38 **Fûll**fill yôur promise to yôur **sêrvant**, **that** you may be **feared**.

39 **Take** away my **disgrace** **that** I dread, for yôur **ôrdinances** **äre** **gôod**.

40 Behold, I long **fôr** yôur **precepts**! **Revive** me in yôur **righteousness**.

WAW

41 Let yôur **lôving kindness** **älsö** **cöme** to me, YAHWEH, yôur **salvation**, according to yôur **wôrd**.

42 So I will have an answer **fôr** him **whö** **reproaches** me, for I trust in yôur **wôrd**.

43 **Don't snatch** the **wôrd** of **truth** **öut** of my **möuth**, for I **püt** my **hope** in yôur **ôrdinances**.

44 So I will **obey** yôur Tôrah **cöntinu**ally, forever and ever.

45 I will **wä**lk in liberty, for I have **sö**ught yôur **precepts**.

46 I will **älsö** **spe**ak of yôur statute **befö**re **kings**, and will not be disappointed.

47 I will **deli**ght **myself** in yôur commandments, **becä**use I **lôve** **them**.

48 I **reach** **öut** my **hands** **fôr** yôur commandments, **whi**ch I **lôve**. I will **meditate** on yôur statute.

ZAYIN

49 Remember yôur **wôrd** to yôur **sêrvant**, **becä**use you **gave** me **hope**.

50 **This is** my **cö**mfort in my **affliction**, for yôur **wôrd** has **revived** me.

51 The arrogant mock me excessively, but I **don't swê**rve from yôur Torah.

52 I remember yôur **ôrdinances** of **öld**, YAHWEH Yähweh, and have **cö**mforted myself.

53 Indignation has taken hold on me, because of the wicked who forsake your Torah.

54 Your statute have been my songs, in the house where I live.

55 I have remembered your name, YAHWEH, in the night, and I obey your Torah.

56 This is my way, that I keep your precepts.

CHET

57 YAHWEH is my portion. I promised to obey your words.

58 I sought your favor with my whole heart. Be merciful to me according to your word.

59 I considered my ways, and turned my steps to your statute.

60 I will hurry, and not delay, to obey your commandments.

61 The ropes of the wicked bind me, but I won't forget your Torah.

62 At midnight I will rise to give thanks to you, because of your righteous ordinances.

63 I am a friend of all those who fear you, of those who observe your precepts.

64 The earth is full of your loving kindness, YAHWEH. Teach me your statute.

TET

65 Do good to your servant, according to your word, YAHWEH.

66 Teach me good judgment and knowledge, for I believe in your commandments.

67 Before I was afflicted, I went astray; but now I observe your word.

68 You are good, and do good. Teach me your statute.

69 The proud have smeared a lie upon me. With my whole heart, I will keep your precepts.

70 Their heart is as callous as the fat, but I delight in your Torah.

71 It is good for me that I have been afflicted, that I may learn your statute.

72 The law of your mouth is better to me than thousands of pieces of gold and silver.

YUD

73 Your hands have made me and formed me. Give me understanding, that I may learn your commandments.

74 **Thos^e wh^e fear you** will **see** me and **be** glad, beca^us^e I have **p^ut my hope** in y^our w^ord.

75 YAHWEH, I **know** **that** y^our judgments **ä**re **right^eous**, **that** in **faith^ffulness** you have afflicted me.

76 Plea^se let y^our **l^oving kindness** **be f^or my c^omfort**, acc^ording to y^our w^ord to y^our s^er^vant.

77 Let y^our tender m^er^cies c^ome to me, **that** I **may** live; for y^our T^orah **is** my **delight**.

78 Let the **proud** **be** disappointed, f^or **they** have **over^thrown** me **wrongfully**. I will **meditate** on y^our **precepts**.

79 Let **thos^e wh^e fear you** t^urn to me. **They** will **know** y^our **statute**.

80 Let my **heä**rt **be** blameless towärd y^our decrees, **that** I **may** not **be** disappointed.

KAF

81 **My** soul **faints** f^or y^our **salvation**. I **hope** in y^our w^ord.

82 **My ey^es** **fail** f^or y^our w^ord. I **say**, "When will you **c^omfort** me?"

83 For I have **bec^ome** **like** a **wineskin** in the **smoke**. I **don't** forget y^our **statute**.

84 **How** many **ä**re the **day^s** of y^our s^er^vant? When will you **execute** judgment on **thos^e wh^e p^ersecute** me?

85 The **proud** have dug pits f^or me, contrary to y^our T^orah.

86 All of y^our commandments **ä**re **faith^fful**. **They** **p^ersecute** me **wrongfully**. Help me!

87 **They** had **ä**lmost **wipe^d** me from the **eä**rth, but I didn't forsake y^our **precepts**.

88 Pre^serve my **life** acc^ording to y^our **l^oving kindness**, **so** I will **obey** the **statute** of y^our **m^outh**.

LAMED

89 YAHWEH, y^our w^ord **is** settled in heaven forever.

90 Y^our **faith^ffulness** **is** to **ä**ll **generations**. You have **establishe^d** the **eä**rth, and it **remain^s**.

91 Y^our judgments **remain** to **this** day, for **ä**ll **thⁱng^s** **s^erve** you.

92 Unless y^our T^orah had **been** my **delight**, I **w^ould** have **perish^ed** in my **affliction**

93 I will never forget y^our **precepts**, for **with** **them**, you have **revived** me.

94 I am yôurş. **Save me**, fôr I have sôught yôur preçpts.

95 The wicked have waited fôr me, to destroy me. I will Cònsider yôur statute.

96 I have seen a limit to âll pêfection, but yôur commands äre boundless.

MEM

97 **How** I lôve yôur Tôrah! It is my meditation âll day.

98 Yôur commandments make me wiser than my enemies, for yôur commandments äre âlways with me.

99 I have môre understanding than âll my teachers, for yôur testimònies äre my meditation.

100 I understand môre than the aged, because I have kept yôur preçpts.

101 I have kept my feet from every evil way, that I might obşêrve yôur wôrd.

102 I have not tûrned aside from yôur ôrdinances, for you have tâught me.

103 **How** sweet äre yôur promises to my taste, môre than hôneÿ to my mouth!

104 **Throug**h yôur preçpts, I get understanding; **therefôre** I hate every fâlse way.

NUN

105 Yôur wôrd is a lamp to my feet, and a light fôr my päth.

106 I have swôrn, and have cònfirmed it, that I will obey yôur righteous ôrdinances.

107 I am afflicted very much. Revive me, YAHWEH, accôrding to yôur wôrd.

108 Acçpt, I beg you, the willing offerings of my mouth. YAHWEH, teach me yôur ôrdinances.

109 My soul is còntinuually in my hand, yet I won't forget yôur Tôrah.

110 The wicked have laid a snare fôr me, yet I haven't gone astray from yôur preçpts.

111 I have taken yôur testimònies as a heritage forever, for they äre the joy of my heärt.

112 I have set my heärt to perfôrm yôur statute forever, even to the end.

SAMEKH

113 I hate double-minded men, but I lôve yôur Tôrah.

114 You äre my hiding place and my shield. I hope in yôur wôrd.

115 Dep^ärt from me, you evildo^eer^s, **that** I may **keep** the commandments of my Elohim.

116 Uphold me acc^ôrding to y^ôur w^ôrd, **that** I may live. Let me not be **ashamed** of my **hope**.

117 Hold me up, and I will be **safe**, and will have respect f^ôr y^ôur statute c^ôntinu^ually.

118 You reject **ä**ll tho^se who stray from y^ôur statute, for **the**ir de^çeit i^s in vain.

119 You p^ût away **ä**ll the wicked of the **ë**arth like dross. **Theref^ôre** I l^ôve y^ôur testim^ônie^s.

120 My **flesh** tremble^s f^ôr fear of you. I am afraid of y^ôur judgm^ônts.

AYIN

121 I have d^ône wh^{at} i^s just and r^{igh}te^ous. Don't leave me to my oppressor^s.

122 Ensure y^ôur s^êrvant's well-be^{ing}. Don't let the pr^oud oppress me.

123 My **eye^s** fail l^ôoking f^ôr y^ôur salvat^îon, for y^ôur r^{igh}te^ous w^ôrd.

124 Deal with y^ôur s^êrvant acc^ôrding to y^ôur l^ôving kind^{ness}. **Teach** me y^ôur statute.

125 I am y^ôur s^êrvant. Give me understanding, **that** I may know y^ôur testim^ônie^s.

126 It i^s time to act, YAHWEH, for **the**y break y^ôur T^ôrah.

127 **Theref^ôre** I l^ôve y^ôur commandments m^ôre **than** gold, yes, m^ôre **than** pure gold.

128 **Theref^ôre** I C^ônsider **ä**ll of y^ôur pre^çepts to be **right**. I hate every f^älse way.

PEY

129 Your testim^ônie^s äre w^ônderf^ûl, **theref^ôre** my soul **keeps** them.

130 The entranc^e of y^ôur w^ôrd^s give^s l^{igh}t. It give^s understanding to the simple.

131 I **opened** my **mouth** wide and panted, for I longed f^ôr y^ôur commandments.

132 T^ûrn to me, and have m^êrcy on me, a^s you älw^äy^s d^e to tho^se who l^ôve y^ôur name.

133 Establish my f^ôotsteps in y^ôur w^ôrd. Don't let any iniqu^{ity} have d^ômin^îon over me.

134 Rede^eem me from the oppress^îon of man, so I will ob^sêrve y^ôur pre^çepts.

135 Make y^ôur fa^çe shine on y^ôur s^êrvant. **Teach** me y^ôur statute.

136 Streams of tears run down my eyes, because they don't observe your Torah.

TZADI

137 You are righteous, YAHWEH. Your judgments are upright.

138 You have commanded your statute in righteousness. They are fully trustworthy.

139 My zeal wears me out, because my enemies ignore your words.

140 Your promises have been thoroughly tested, and your servant loves them.

141 I am small and despised. I don't forget your precepts.

142 Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness. Your Torah is truth.

143 Trouble and anguish have taken hold of me. Your commandments are my delight.

144 Your testimonies are righteous forever. Give me understanding, that I may live.

KUF

145 I have called with my whole heart. Answer me, YAHWEH! I will keep your statute.

146 I have called to you. Save me! I will obey your statute.

147 I rise before dawn and cry for help. I put my hope in your words.

148 My eyes stay open through the night watches, that I might meditate on your word.

149 Hear my voice according to your loving kindness. Revive me, YAHWEH, according to your ordinances.

150 They draw near who follow after wickedness. They are far from your Torah.

151 You are near, YAHWEH. All your commandments are truth.

152 Of old I have known from your testimonies, that you have founded them forever.

RESH

153 Consider my affliction, and deliver me, for I don't forget your Torah.

154 Plead my cause, and redeem me! Revive me according to your promise.

155 Salvation is far from the wicked, for they don't seek your statute.

156 Great **ä**re yôur tender mêçies, YAHWEH. Revive me accôrding to yôur ôrdinançes.

157 Many **ä**re my pêsecutorş and my advêrserieş. I haven't swêrved from yôur testimônies.

158 I lôok at the faithless with loathing, becauş they don't obşerve yôur wôrd.

159 Consider how I lôve yôur preçpts. Revive me, YAHWEH, accôrding to yôur lôving kindness.

160 All of yôur wôrdş äre truth. Every one of yôur righteous ôrdinançesş enduresş forever.

SIN AND SHIN

161 Prinçesş have pêsecuted me without a câuşe, but my heärt standş in äwe of yôur wôrdş.

162 I rejoice at yôur wôrd, aş one who finds great plunder.

163 I hate and abhôr falsehòod. I lôve yôur Tôrah.

164 Seven timesş a day, I praise you, becauşe of yôur righteous ôrdinançesş.

165 Thoşe who lôve yôur Tôrah have great peace. Nothiņg câuşesş them to stumble.

166 I have hoped fôr yôur salvation, YAHWEH. I have done yôur commandments.

167 My soul haş obşerved yôur testimôniesş. I lôve them exçeedingly.

168 I have obeyed yôur preçpts and yôur testimôniesş, for äll my waysş äre befôre you.

TAV

169 Let my cry côme befôre you, YAHWEH. Give me understanding accôrding to yôur wôrd.

170 Let my supplicatiôn côme befôre you. Deliver me accôrding to yôur wôrd.

171 Let my lips utter praise, for you teach me yôur statute.

172 Let my tōngue sing of yôur wôrd, for äll yôur commandments äre righteousness.

173 Let yôur hand be ready to help me, for I have chosen yôur preçpts.

174 I have longed fôr yôur salvation, YAHWEH. Yôur Tôrah iş my delight.

175 Let my soul live, that I may praise you. Let yôur ôrdinançesş help me.

176 I have gone astray like a lost sheep. Seek yôur sêrvant, fôr I don't forget yôur commandments.

Psalm 120

In **my** distress, I **cried** to YAHWEH. **He** answered **me**.

2 Deliver **my** soul, YAHWEH, from **lying** lips, from a **deceitful** tongue.

3 **What** will **be** given to **you**, and **what** will **be** done **more** to **you**, **you** **deceitful** tongue?

4 **Sharp** arrows of the **mighty**, with **coals** of juniper.

5 **Woe** is **me**, **that** I live in **Meshech**, **that** I dwell among the tents of Kedar!

6 **My** soul has had **her** dwelling **too** long with him **who** hates **peace**.

7 I am **for** **peace**, but **when** I **speak**, **they** **are** **for** **war**.

Psalm 121

I will lift up **my** **eyes** to the hills. **Where** **does** **my** help **come** from?

2 **My** help **comes** from YAHWEH, **who** made heaven and **earth**.

3 **He** will not allow **your** foot to **be** moved. **He** **who** keeps **you** will not slumber.

4 Behold, **he** **who** keeps **Israel** will **neither** slumber **nor** sleep.

5 YAHWEH is **your** keeper. YAHWEH is **your** shade on **your** right hand.

6 The sun will not harm **you** by day, **nor** the moon by night.

7 YAHWEH will keep **you** from **all** evil. **He** will keep **your** soul.

8 YAHWEH will keep **your** going out and **your** coming in, from **this** time forward, and forever more.

Psalm 122

I was glad **when** **they** said to **me**, "Let's go to YAHWEH'S house!"

2 Our feet are standing within **your** gates, Jerusalem;

3 Jerusalem, **that** is built as a city **that** is compact together;

4 **Where** the tribes go up, even YAH'S tribes, according to an ordinance for **Israel**, to give thanks to YAHWEH'S name.

5 For **there** are set thrones for judgment, the thrones of David's house.

6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem. Those who love **you** will prosper.

7 Peace be within **your** walls, and prosperity within **your** palaces.

8 For **my brother\$'** and **companion\$'** **sakes**, I will **now say**, "**Peace** be **within you**."

9 For the **sake** of the **house** of YAHWEH **our** Elohim, I will **seek** **yôur** **góod**.

Psalm 123

To **you** I **do** lift up **my** **eye\$**, **you** **who** sit in the **heaven\$**.

2 Behold, **a\$** the **eye\$** of **sêrvants** **lôok** to the hand of **their** **măster**, **a\$** the **eye\$** of a **maid** to the hand of **hêr** mistress; **so** **our** **eye\$** **lôok** to YAHWEH, **our** Elohim, until **he** **ha\$** **mêrcy** on us

3 Have **mêrcy** on us, YAHWEH, have **mêrcy** on us, for **we** have endured much contempt.

4 Our **soul** **i\$** **exceedingly** filled with the scoffing of **tho\$e** **who** **ăre** at **ea\$e**, with the contempt of the **proud**.

Psalm 124

If it had not **been** YAHWEH **who** **wa\$** on **our** **side**, let **I\$rael** **now say**,

2 if it had not **been** YAHWEH **who** **wa\$** on **our** **side**, when men **ro\$e** up against us;

3 **then** **they** **wôuld** have **swallowe**d us up alive, when **their** **wrăth** **wa\$** kindled against us;

4 **then** the **wăter\$** **wôuld** have **overwhelme**d us, the **stre**am **wôuld** have gone **over** **our** **soul**;

5 **then** the **proud** **water\$** **wôuld** have gone **over** **our** **soul**.

6 Blessed **be** YAHWEH, **who** **ha\$** not given us **a\$** a prey to **their** **teeth**.

7 Our **soul** **ha\$** **escape**d like a **bird** **out** of the **fowler's** **snare**. The **snare** **i\$** **broke**n, and **we** have **escape**d.

8 Our help **i\$** in YAHWEH'S **name**, **who** **made** heaven and **êarth**.

Psalm 125

Tho\$e **who** trust in YAHWEH **ăre** **a\$** Mount **Zion**, **which** **căn't** **be** **môve**d, but **remain\$** forever.

2 **A\$** the **môuntain\$** **surrôund** Jeru\$alem, **so** YAHWEH **surrôund\$** hi\$ **people** from **this** **time** **fôrward** and forever **môre**.

3 For the **scepter** of wickedness **won't** **remain** **over** the allotment of the **righteous**; **so** **that** the **righteous** **won't** **use** **their** **hand\$** to **do** **evil**.

4 D~~e~~ g~~oo~~d, YAHWEH, to **thoſe** wh~~e~~ äre g~~oo~~d, to **thoſe** wh~~e~~ äre uprigh**t** in **thei**r heä**rt**s.

5 But aſ f~~o~~r **thoſe** wh~~e~~ t~~u~~rn aſide to **thei**r cr~~oo~~ked wayſ, YAHWEH will lea**d** **the**m away with the w~~o~~rkerſ of iniquity. Pea**ç**e be on Iſrael.

Psalm 126

When YAHWEH br~~o~~ught back **thoſe** wh~~e~~ ret~~u~~rn**e**d to Zion, we w~~e~~re like **thoſe** wh~~e~~ d**re**am.

2 Then ~~o~~ur m~~ou~~th waſ filled with lä**u**ghter, and ~~o~~ur t~~o~~ngue with singing. **The**n **the**y ſaid among the nationſ, “YAHWEH haſ d~~o~~ne grea**t** **thi**ngſ f~~o~~r **the**m.”

3 YAHWEH haſ d~~o~~ne grea**t** **thi**ngſ f~~o~~r us, and we äre glad.

4 Reſt~~o~~re ~~o~~ur f~~o~~rtuneſ again, YAHWEH, like the ſtreamſ in the Negev.

5 **Thoſe** wh~~e~~ ſow in tearſ will re**a**p in joy.

6 He wh~~e~~ goeſ ~~o~~ut weeping, carrying ſeed f~~o~~r ſowing, will **ç**ertainly c~~o~~me again with joy, carrying hiſ ſheaveſ.

Psalm 127

Unless YAHWEH buildſ the houſe, **the**y labor in vain wh~~e~~ build it. Unless YAHWEH wa**ç**heſ over the çity, the wa**ç**hman guä**rd**ſ it in vain.

2 It iſ vain f~~o~~r you to riſe up **e**arly, to ſtay up late, eating the bread of toil; for he giveſ ſleep to hiſ l~~o~~ved oneſ.

3 Behold, **ch**ildren äre a herita**ç**e of YAHWEH. The fruit of the w~~o~~mb iſ hiſ rewä**rd**.

4 Aſ arrowſ in the hand of a mi**gh**ty man, ſo äre the **ch**ildren of you**th**.

5 Happy iſ the man wh~~e~~ haſ hiſ quiver full of **the**m. **The**y won't be diſappointed when **the**y ſpeak with **thei**r enemy**e**ſ in the gate.

Psalm 128

Bleſſed iſ everyone wh~~e~~ fearſ YAHWEH, wh~~e~~ wä**k**s in hiſ wayſ.

2 For you will e**a**t the labor of y~~o~~ur handſ. You will be happy, and it will be well with you.

3 Y~~o~~ur wife will be aſ a fruitf~~u~~l vine, in the innermo**st** p~~a~~rtſ of y~~o~~ur houſe; y~~o~~ur **ch**ildren like olive plants, around y~~o~~ur table.

4 Behold, **th**uſ iſ the man bleſſed wh~~e~~ fearſ YAHWEH.

5 May YAHWEH bless you out of Zion, and may you see the good of Jerusalem all the days of your life.

6 Yes, may you see your children's children. Peace be upon Israel.

Psalm 129

Many times they have afflicted me from my youth up. Let Israel now say

2 many times they have afflicted me from my youth up, yet they have not prevailed against me.

3 The plowers plowed on my back. They made their furrows long.

4 YAHWEH is righteous. He has cut apart the cords of the wicked.

5 Let them be disappointed and turned backward, all those who hate Zion.

6 Let them be as the grass on the housetops, which withers before it grows up;

7 with which the reaper doesn't fill his hand, nor he who binds sheaves, his bosom.

8 Neither do those who go by say, "The blessing of YAHWEH be on you. We bless you in YAHWEH'S name."

Psalm 130

Out of the depths I have cried to you, YAHWEH.

2 Oh YAHWEH, hear my voice. Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my petitions.

3 If you, YAH, kept a record of sins, Oh YAH, who could stand?

4 But there is forgiveness with you, therefore you are feared.

5 I wait for YAHWEH. My soul waits. I hope in his word.

6 My soul longs for You YAHWEH more than watchmen long for the morning; more than watchmen for the morning.

7 Israel, hope in YAHWEH, for with YAHWEH there is loving kindness. With him is abundant redemption.

8 He will redeem Israel from all their sins.

Psalm 131

YAHWEH, my heart isn't haughty, nor my eyes lofty; nor do I concern myself with great matters, or things too wonderful for me.

2 Surely I have stilled and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with his mother, like a weaned child is my soul within me.

3 Işrael, hope in YAHWEH, from **this time** fôrward and forever môre.

Psalm 132

YAHWEH, remember David and **âll** hiş affliction,

2 **how he** swôre to YAHWEH, and **vowed** to the **Mighty One** of **Jacob**:

3 “**Surely** I will not **côme** into the structure of my **houşe**, **nôr** go up into my bed;

4 I will not give sleep to my **eyeş**, or slumber to my **eyelidş**;

5 until I find out a **plaçe** fôr YAHWEH, a dwelling fôr the **Mighty One** of **Jacob**.”

6 Behold, we **hêard** of it in **Ephrathah**. We **found** it in the field of **Jäar**:

7 “We will go into hiş dwelling **plaçe**. We will **wôrship** at hiş **foôtsteel**.

8 **Arişe**, YAHWEH, into yôur resting **plaçe**; **you**, and the **ärk** of yôur **strength**.

9 Let yôur priest be **cloth**ed with **righteousness**. Let yôur **saints** **shout** fôr joy!”

10 For yôur **sêrvant** David's **sake**, **don't** tûrn away the **façe** of yôur anointed one.

11 YAHWEH haş swôrn to David in **truth**. He will not tûrn from it: “I will set the **fruit** of yôur body on yôur **throne**.

12 If yôur **children** will **keep** my **côvenant**, my **testimony** **that** I will **teach** **them**, **their children** **âlso** will sit on yôur **throne** forever môre.”

13 For YAHWEH haş **choşen** Zion. He haş **deşired** it fôr hiş **habitation**.

14 “**This iş** my resting **plaçe** forever. **Here** I will live, fôr I have **deşired** it.

15 I will abundantly bless **hêr** **provişion**. I will **satisfy** **hêr** **pôor** with bread.

16 **Hêr** priests I will **âlso** **cloth**e with **salvation**. **Hêr** **saints** will **shout** aloud fôr joy.

17 **There** I will **make** the **hörn** of David to bud. I have **ôrdained** a lamp fôr my anointed.

18 I will **cloth**e hiş **enemieş** with **shame**, but on himself, hiş **crown** will be resplendent.”

Psalm 133

See **how** **gôod** and **how** **pleaşant** it is for **brotherş** to live together in **unity**!

2 It iş **like** the **preçious** oil on the head, **that** ran down on the **beard**, **even** **Aäron's** **beard**; **that** **came** down on the **edg**e of hiş **robeş**;

3 **like** the dew of **Hêrmôn**, **that** **cômeş** down on the hills of **Zion**: for **there** YAHWEH giveş the blessing, **even** **life** forever môre.

Psalm 134

Lòók! Praiše YAHWEH, áll you sêrvants of YAHWEH, who stand by night in YAHWEH'S house!

2 Lift up yôur hands in the sanctuary. Praiše YAHWEH!

3 May YAHWEH bless you from Zion; even he who made heaven and êarth.

Psalm 135

Praiše YAH! Praiše YAHWEH'S name! Praiše him, sêrvants of YAHWEH.

2 you who stand in YAHWEH'S house, in the còurts of our Elohim's house.

3 Praiše YAH, fôr YAHWEH is good. Sing praises to his name, fôr that is pleasant.

4 For YAH has chosen Jacob fôr himself; Israel fôr his own possession.

5 For I know that YAHWEH is great, that our Master is above áll gods.

6 Whatever YAHWEH pleased, that he has done, in heaven and in êarth, in the seas and in áll deeps;

7 who causes the clouds to rise from the ends of the êarth; who makes lightnings with the rain; who brings the wind out of his treasures;

8 Who struck the firstborn of Egypt, both of man and animal;

9 Who sent signs and wonders into the middle of you, Egypt, on Pharaoh, and on áll his sêrvants;

10 who struck many nations, and killed mighty kings,

11 Sihon king of the Amorites, Og king of Bashan, and áll the kingdoms of Canaan,

12 and gave their land fôr a heritage, a heritage to Israel, his people.

13 Yôur name, YAHWEH, endures forever; yôur renown, YAHWEH, throughout áll generations.

14 For YAHWEH will judge his people, and have compassion on his sêrvants.

15 The idols of the nations äre silver and gold, the wôrk of men's hands.

16 They have mouths, but they cän't speak. They have eyes, but they cän't see.

17 They have ears, but they cän't hear; neither is there any breath in their mouths.

18 Those who make them will be like them; yes, everyone who trusts in them.

19 Hou\$e of I\$rael, prai\$e YAHWEH! Hou\$e of Aäron, prai\$e YAHWEH!

20 Hou\$e of Levi, prai\$e YAHWEH! You whø fear YAHWEH , prai\$e Prai\$e YAHWEH!

21 Blessed be YAHWEH from Zion, whø dwells at Jeru\$alem. Prai\$e YAH!

Psalm 136

Give **th**anks to YAHWEH, fôr he i\$ gôôd; for hi\$ lóving kindne\$ endu\$ forever.

2 Give **th**anks to the Elohim of Elohim\$; for hi\$ lóving kindne\$ endu\$ forever.

3 Give **th**anks to the Mäster of Mästers ; for hi\$ lóving kindne\$ endu\$ forever:

4 To him whø alone dôe\$ great wônder\$; for hi\$ lóving kindne\$ endu\$ forever:

5 To him whø by understanding made the heaven\$; for hi\$ lóving kindne\$ endu\$ forever:

6 To him whø spread out the êarth above the wâter\$; for hi\$ lóving kindne\$ endu\$ forever:

7 To him whø made the great light\$; for hi\$ lóving kindne\$ endu\$ forever:

8 The sun to rule by day; for hi\$ lóving kindne\$ endu\$ forever;

9 The moon and stä\$ to rule by night; for hi\$ lóving kindne\$ endu\$ forever:

10 To him whø struck down the Egyptian fir\$tbörn; for hi\$ lóving kindne\$ endu\$ forever;

11 And brôught out I\$rael from among them; for hi\$ lóving kindne\$ endu\$ forever;

12 With a strong hand, and with an out\$retched ärm; for hi\$ lóving kindne\$ endu\$ forever:

13 To him whø divided the Red Sea apärt; for hi\$ lóving kindne\$ endu\$ forever;

14 And made I\$rael to pä\$\$ **th**rough the middle of it; for hi\$ lóving kindne\$ endu\$ forever;

15 But over**th**rew Pharaoh and hi\$ ärm\$ in the Red Sea; for hi\$ lóving kindne\$ endu\$ forever:

16 To him whø led hi\$ people **th**rough the wilderness; for hi\$ lóving kindne\$ endu\$ forever:

17 To him whø struck great king\$; for hi\$ lóving kindne\$ endu\$ forever;

18 And killed **mighty** kings; for his **l**oving **k**indness **endure**s forever:

19 **Sihon** king of the **Amorites**; for his **l**oving **k**indness **endure**s forever;

20 **Og** king of **Bashan**; for his **l**oving **k**indness **endure**s forever;

21 And **gave** **their** land **a**s an inheritance; for his **l**oving **k**indness **endure**s forever;

22 **Even** a heritage to **Israel** his **s**ervant; for his **l**oving **k**indness **endure**s forever:

23 **Who** remembered us in **our** **low** estate; for his **l**oving **k**indness **endure**s forever;

24 And **has** delivered us from **our** **adversaries**; for his **l**oving **k**indness **endure**s forever:

25 **Who** gives **food** to every **creature**; for his **l**oving **k**indness **endure**s forever.

26 **Oh** give **thanks** to the Elohim of heaven; for his **l**oving **k**indness **endure**s forever.

Psalm 137

By the rivers of Babylon, **there** **we** sat **d**own. Yes, **we** wept, *when we remembered Zion.*

2 On the willows in **that** land, **we** hung up **our** **h**ärps.

3 For **there**, **those** **who** led us captive **ä**ske**d** us **f**ör songs. **Those** **who** **t**örmented us demanded songs of joy: "Sing us one of the songs of Zion!"

4 **How** can **we** sing YAHWEH'S song in a foreign land?

5 If I forget **you**, **Jerusalem**, let **my** **r**ight hand forget its skill.

6 Let **my** **t**ongue stick to the **r**ee**f** of **my** **m**outh if I **don't** remember **you**; if I **don't** **pre**f**er** **Jerusalem** **a**b**ove** **my** **chief** joy.

7 Remember, YAHWEH, **a**gainst the **children** of **Edom**, the **day** of **Jerusalem**; **who** said, "**Raze** it! **Raze** it **e**ven to its **f**oundation!"

8 **D**äughter of Babylon, **d**e**e**med to destruction, **he** will **b**e happy **who** **re**w**ar**d**s** **you**, **a**s **you** have **s**erved us.

9 Happy **shall** **he** **b**e, **who** **t**akes and **d**as**he**s **y**öur little ones **a**gainst the rock.

Psalm 138

I will give **you** **th**anks **w**ith **my** **w**hole **h**ä**r**t. **B**e**f**ö**r**e the Elohim. I will sing **p**rai**s**e**s** to **you**.

2 I will bow down toward yôur holy temple and give thanks to yôur Name fôr yôur loving kindness and fôr yôur truth; for you have exalted yôur Name and yôur Wôrd above âll.

3 In the day that I câlled, you answered me. You encouraged me with strength in my soul.

4 All the kings of the earth will give you thanks, YAHWEH, for they have heard the wôrds of yôur mouth.

5 Yes, they will sing of the ways of YAHWEH; for great is YAHWEH'S glôry.

6 For though YAHWEH is high, yet he looks äfter the lowly; but the proud, he knows from afär.

7 Though I wâlk in the middle of trouble, you will revive me. You will stretch out yôur hand against the wrâth of my enemies. Yôur right hand will save me.

8 YAHWEH will fulfill that which concerns me; yôur loving kindness, YAHWEH, endure forever. Don't forsake the wôrks of yôur own hands.

Psalm 139

YAHWEH, you have sêarched me, and you know me.

2 You know my sitting down and my rising up. You pêrceive my thôughts from afär.

3 You sêarch out my pâth and my lying down, and äre acquainted with âll my ways.

4 For there is not a wôrd on my tongue, but, behold, YAHWEH, you know it âltogether.

5 You hem me in behind and befôre. You laid yôur hand on me.

6 This knowledge is beyond me. It's lofty. I cän't attain it.

7 Where could I go from yôur Spirit? Or where could I flee from yôur preşençe?

8 If I ascend up into heaven, you äre there. If I make my bed in Sheol, behold, you äre there!

9 If I take the wings of the dawn, and settle in the uttermost pârts of the sea;

10 Even there yôur hand will lead me, and yôur right hand will hold me.

11 If I say, "Surely the dârkness will overwhelm me; the light around me will be night";

12 even the dârkness doesn't hide from you, but the night shines as the day. The dârkness is like light to you.

13 For you **f**ormed my inmost being. You knit me together in my mother's womb.

14 I will give thanks to you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Your works are wonderful. My soul knows that very well.

15 My frame wasn't hidden from you, when I was made in secret, woven together in the depths of the earth.

16 Your eyes saw my body. In your book they were all written, the days that were ordained for me, when as yet there were none of them.

17 How precious to me are your thoughts, Elohim! How vast is their sum!

18 If I would count them, they are more in number than the sand. When I wake up, I am still with you.

19 If only you, Elohim, would kill the wicked. Get away from me, you blood-thirsty men!

20 For they speak against you wickedly. Your enemies take your name in vain.

21 YAHWEH, don't I hate those who hate you? Am I not grieved with those who rise up against you?

22 I hate them with perfect hatred. They have become my enemies.

23 Search me, Elohim, and know my heart. Try me, and know my thoughts.

24 See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the everlasting way.

Psalm 140

Deliver me, YAHWEH, from the evil man. Preserve me from the violent man;

2 those who devise mischief in their hearts. They continually gather themselves together for war.

3 They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent. Viper's poison is under their lips. Meditate.

4 YAHWEH, keep me from the hands of the wicked. Preserve me from the violent men who have determined to trip my feet.

5 The proud have hidden a snare for me, they have spread the cords of a net by the path. They have set traps for me. Meditate.

6 I said to YAHWEH, "You are my Elohim." Listen to the cry of my petitions, YAHWEH.

7 YAHWEH, the Master, the strength of my salvation, you have covered my head in the day of battle.

8 YAHWEH, don't grant the desires of the wicked. Don't let their evil plans succeed, or they will become proud. Meditate.

9 Aš fôr the head of **thoſe** who ſurrou**nd** me, let the miſ**ch**ief of **thei**r own lips c**ov**er **the**m.

10 Let bûrning coa**l**s f**all** on **the**m. Let **the**m be **th**rown into the fi**r**e, into miry pits, from where **the**y never ri**s**e.

11 An **ev**il spe**ak**er won't be establi**sh**ed in the **ea**rth. **Ev**il will hunt the **vi**olent man to **ov**er**th**row him.

12 I **kn**ow **tha**t YAHWEH will **mai**ntain the **ca**u**s**e of the afflicted, and justic**e** f**or** the **nee**dy.

13 **Su**rely the **ri**ghte**ou**s will give **th**anks to y**o**ur **na**me. The up**ri**ght will dwell in y**o**ur pre**s**en**c**e.

Psalm 141

YAHWEH, I have c**all**ed on y**ou**. C**ome** to me **qu**ickly! Listen to my voi**c**e when I c**all** to y**ou**.

2 Let my **pr**ayer be set bef**or**e y**ou** **li**ke inc**en**se; the lifting up of my hand**s** **li**ke the **ev**ening sacrific**e**.

3 Set a **wa**tch, YAHWEH, bef**or**e my **mo**uth. **Ke**ep the d**oor** of my lips.

4 **Don**'t incl**ine** my **he**ä**rt** to any **ev**il **th**ing, to practi**c**e deed**s** of wickedness **with** men **who** w**or**k iniquity. **Don**'t let me **eat** of **thei**r delicac**ie**s.

5 Let the **ri**ghte**ou**s strike me, it **i**s kindness; let him re**pro**ve me, it **i**s **li**ke oil on the head; **don**'t let my head re**fu**se it; Yet my **pr**ayer **i**s **ä**lways against **ev**il deed**s**.

6 **Thei**r judge**s** **ä**re **th**rown down by the side**s** of the rock. **The**y will hear my w**or**d**s**, f**or** **the**y **ä**re well spoken.

7 "Aš when one **plow**s and **bre**aks up the **ea**rth, **ou**r bone**s** **ä**re scattered at the **mo**uth of **Sheol**."

8 For my **eye**s **ä**re on y**ou**, YAHWEH, the Master. In y**ou**, I **take** refu**g**e. **Don**'t leave my soul destitute.

9 **Ke**ep me from the snare **wh**ich **the**y have **laid** f**or** me, from the traps of the w**or**ker**s** of iniquity.

10 Let the wicked f**all** together into **thei**r own nets, **wh**ile I p**ass** by.

Psalm 142

I **cry** **with** my voi**c**e to YAHWEH. **With** my voi**c**e, I **ä**sk YAHWEH f**or** m**er**c**y**.

2 I p**our** **out** my **com**plaint bef**or**e him. I tell him my trouble**s**.

3 When my spirit was overwhelmed within me, you knew my route. On the path in which I walk, they have hidden a snare for me.

4 Look on my right, and see; for there is no one who is concerned for me. Refuge has fled from me. No one cares for my soul.

5 I cried to you, YAHWEH. I said, "You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living."

6 Listen to my cry, for I am in desperate need. Deliver me from my persecutors, For they are stronger than me.

7 Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks to your name. The righteous will surround me, for you will be good to me.

Psalm 143

Hear my prayer, YAHWEH. Listen to my petitions. In your faithfulness and righteousness, relieve me.

2 Don't enter into judgment with your servant, for in your sight no man living is righteous.

3 For the enemy pursues my soul. He has struck my life down to the ground. He has made me live in dark places, as those who have been long dead.

4 Therefore my spirit is overwhelmed within me. My heart within me is desolate.

5 I remember the days of old. I meditate on all your doeings. I contemplate the work of your hands.

6 I spread out my hands to you. My soul thirsts for you, like a parched land.

7 Hurry to answer me, YAHWEH. My spirit fails. Don't hide your façe from me, so that I don't become like those who go down into the pit.

8 Cause me to hear your loving kindness in the morning, for I trust in you. Cause me to know the way in which I should walk, for I lift up my soul to you.

9 Deliver me, YAHWEH, from my enemys. I flee to you to hide me.

10 Teach me to do your will, for you are my Elohim. Your Spirit is good. Lead me in the land of uprightness.

11 Revive me, YAHWEH, for your name's sake. In your righteousness, bring my soul out of trouble.

12 In your loving kindness, cut off my enemys, and destroy all those who afflict my soul, For I am your servant.

Psalm 144

Blessed be YAHWEH, my rock, who teaches my hands to war, and my fingers to battle:

2 my loving kindness, my fortress, my high tower, my deliverer, my shield, and he in whom I take refuge; who subdues my people under me.

3 YAHWEH, what is man, that you care for him? Or the son of man, that you think of him?

4 Man is like a breath. His days are like a shadow that passes away.

5 Part your heavens, YAHWEH, and come down. Touch the mountains, and they will smoke.

6 Throw out lightning, and scatter them. Send out your arrows, and rout them.

7 Stretch out your hand from above, rescue me, and deliver me out of great waters, out of the hands of foreigners,;

8 whose mouths speak deceit, whose right hand is a right hand of falsehood.

9 I will sing a new song to you, Elohim. On a ten-stringed lyre, I will sing praises to you.

10 You are he who gives salvation to kings, who rescues David, his servant, from the deadly sword.

11 Rescue me, and deliver me out of the hands of foreigners, whose mouths speak deceit, whose right hand is a right hand of falsehood.

12 Then our sons will be like well-nurtured plants, our daughters like carved to adorn a palace.

13 Our barns are full, filled with all kinds of provision. Our sheep produce thousands and ten thousands in our fields.

14 Our oxen will pull heavy loads. There is no breaking in, and no going away, and no outcry in our streets.

15 Happy are the people who are in such a situation. Happy are the people whose Elohim is YAHWEH.

Psalm 145

I will exalt you, my Elohim, the King. I will praise your name forever and ever.

2 Every day I will praise you. I will extol your name forever and ever.

3 Great is YAHWEH, and greatly to be praised! His greatness is unsearchable.

4 One generation will commend your works to another, and will declare your mighty acts.

- 5 Of the glôrious majesty of yôur honor, of yôur wôndrous wôrks, I will meditate.
- 6 Men will speak of the might of yôur âwesôme acts. I will declare yôur greatness.
- 7 They will utter the memory of yôur great gôôdness, and will sing of yôur righteousness.
- 8 YAHWEH is grâçious, mêrciful, slow to anger, and of great lôving kindness.
- 9 YAHWEH is gôôd to âll. His tender mêrcies âre over âll his wôrks.
- 10 All yôur wôrks will give thanks to you, YAHWEH. Yôur saints will extol you.
- 11 They will speak of the glôry of yôur kingdom, and tâk about yôur power;
- 12 to make known to the sônş of men his mighty acts, the glôry of the majesty of his kingdom.
- 13 Yôur kingdom is an everlâsting kingdom. Yôur dominion endureş throughout âll generations. YAHWEH is faithfûl in âll his wôrds, and lôving in âll his deeds.
- 14 YAHWEH upholdş âll who fâll, and raises up âll thoşe who âre bowed down.
- 15 The eyes of âll wait fôr you. You give them their feed in due seaşon.
- 16 You open yôur hand, and satisfy the deşire of every living thing.
- 17 YAHWEH is righteous in âll his ways, and grâçious in âll his wôrks.
- 18 YAHWEH is near to âll thoşe who câll on him, to âll who câll on him in truth.
- 19 He will fûllfill the deşire of thoşe who fear him. He âlso will hear their cry, and will save them.
- 20 YAHWEH preşêrves âll thoşe who love him, but âll the wicked he will destroy.
- 21 My mouth will speak the praise of YAHWEH. Let âll flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

Psalm 146

Praise YAH! Praise YAHWEH, my soul.

- 2 While I live, I will praise YAHWEH. I will sing praises to my Elohim as long as I exist.
- 3 Don't put yôur trust in princeş, each a sôn of man in whom there is no help.
- 4 His spirit depârts, and he retûrns to the earth. In that very day, his thoûghts perish.
- 5 Happy is he who has the Elohim of Jacob fôr his help, whose hope is in YAHWEH, his Elohim :

6 **who** **made** heaven and **earth**, the **sea**, and **all that is** in **them**; **who** **keeps** **truth** forever;

7 **who** **executes** **justice** **for** the oppressed; **who** **gives** **food** to the hungry. YAHWEH **frees** the **prisoners**.

8 YAHWEH **opens** the **eyes** of the blind. YAHWEH **raises** up **those** **who** **are** **bowed** **down**. YAHWEH **loves** the **righteous**.

9 YAHWEH **preserves** the **foreigners**. **He** **upholds** the **fatherless** and **widow**, but the **way** of the wicked **he** **turns** **upside** **down**.

10 YAHWEH will reign forever; **yôur** Elohim, O Zion, to **all** **generations**. **Praise** YAH!

Psalm 147

Praise YAH, for it **is** **good** to sing **praises** to **our** Elohim; for it **is** **pleasant** and fitting to **praise** him.

2 YAHWEH **builds** up **Jerusalem**. **He** **gathers** **together** the outcasts of **Israel**.

3 **He** **heals** the **broken** in **heart**, and **binds** up **their** **wounds**.

4 **He** **counts** the number of the **stars**. **He** **calls** **them** **all** **by** **their** **names**.

5 **Great** **is** **our** **Master**, and **mighty** in **power**. **His** understanding **is** infinite.

6 YAHWEH **upholds** the **humble**. **He** **brings** the **wicked** **down** to the **ground**.

7 Sing to YAHWEH **with** **Thanksgiving**. Sing **praises** on the **harp** to **our** Elohim,

8 **who** **covers** the **sky** with **clouds**, **who** **prepares** **rain** **for** the **earth**, **who** **makes** **grass** **grow** on the **mountains**.

9 **He** **provides** **food** **for** the **livestock**, and **for** the young **ravens** **when** **they** **call**.

10 **He** **doesn't** **delight** in the **strength** of the **horse**. **He** **takes** **no** **pleasure** in the **legs** of a man.

11 YAHWEH **takes** **pleasure** in **those** **who** **fear** him, in **those** **who** **hope** in **his** **loving** **kindness**.

12 **Praise** YAHWEH, **Jerusalem**! **Praise** **yôur** Elohim, Zion!

13 For **he** **has** **strengthened** the **bars** of **yôur** **gates**. **He** **has** **blessed** **yôur** **children** **within** **you**.

14 **He** **makes** **peace** in **yôur** **borders**. **He** **fills** **you** **with** the **finest** of the **wheat**.

15 **He** **sends** **out** **his** **commandment** to the **earth**. **His** **word** **runs** **very** **swiftly**.

16 **He** **gives** **snow** **like** **wool**, and scatters **frost** **like** **ashes**.

17 **He** **hurls** **down** **his** **hail** **like** **pebbles**. **Who** **can** **stand** **before** **his** **cold**?

18 He sends **o**ut hi**ş** w**ô**rd, and melts **th**em. He **c**â**u**se**ş** hi**ş** wind to blow, and the wâ**t**er**ş** flow.

19 He **sh**ow**ş** hi**ş** w**ô**rd to **J**acob; hi**ş** stat**u**te and hi**ş** ô**r**dinan**ç**e**ş** to **I**ş**r**a**e**l.

20 He ha**ş** not d**o**ne **th**is f**ô**r just any nati**o**n. **Th**ey don't know hi**ş** ô**r**dinan**ç**e**ş**.
Prai**ş**e YAH!

Psalm 148

Prai**ş**e YAH! Prai**ş**e YAHWEH from the heav**en**ş! Prai**ş**e him in the he**i**ghts!

2 Prai**ş**e him, **â**ll hi**ş** an**g**el**ş**! Prai**ş**e him, **â**ll hi**ş** â**r**my!

3 Prai**ş**e him, sun and m**o**on! Prai**ş**e him, **â**ll yo**u** sh**i**ning stâ**r**ş!

4 Prai**ş**e him, yo**u** heav**en**ş of heav**en**ş, Yo**u** wâ**t**er**ş** th**at** â**r**e ab**o**ve the heav**en**ş.

5 Let **th**em prai**ş**e YAHWEH'S n**a**me, For he commanded, and **th**ey w**ê**re created.

6 He ha**ş** **â**l**so** establi**sh**ed **th**em forever and ever. He ha**ş** m**a**de a decre**e** which will not p**ä**ss away.

7 Prai**ş**e YAHWEH from the **ê**ar**th**, yo**u** gr**e**at s**e**a creat**u**re**ş**, and **â**ll dept**h**ş!

8 Li**g**htning and ha**i**l, sn**o**w and cl**o**ud**ş**; st**ô**rmy wind, f**û**llfilling hi**ş** w**ô**rd;

9 m**o**untains and **â**ll hill**ş**; fruit tree**ş** and **â**ll ç**e**dar**ş**;

10 wil**d** animal**ş** and **â**ll liv**e**stock; sm**â**ll creat**u**re**ş** and fly**i**ng b**i**rd**ş**;

11 king**ş** of the **ê**ar**th** and **â**ll pe**o**ple**ş**; prin**ç**e**ş** and **â**ll jud**g**e**ş** of the **ê**ar**th**;

12 b**o**th young men and maidens; o**ld** men and **ch**ildren:

13 let **th**em prai**ş**e YAHWEH'S n**a**me, for hi**ş** n**a**me al**o**ne i**ş** ex**â**lted. Hi**ş** gl**ô**ry i**ş** ab**o**ve the **ê**ar**th** and the heav**en**ş.

14 He ha**ş** lifted up the h**ô**rn of hi**ş** pe**o**ple, the prai**ş**e of **â**ll hi**ş** sa**i**nts; **e**ven of the **ch**ildren of **I**ş**r**a**e**l, a pe**o**ple n**e**ar to him. Prai**ş**e YAH!

Psalm 149

Prai**ş**e YAHWEH! Sing to YAHWEH a new song, hi**ş** prai**ş**e in the assembly of the sa**i**nts.

2 Let **I**ş**r**a**e**l rejoy**ç**e in him wh**o** m**a**de **th**em. Let the **ch**ildren of **Z**ion be joy**û**l in **th**eir King.

3 Let **th**em prai**ş**e hi**ş** n**a**me in the dan**ç**e! Let **th**em sing prai**ş**e**ş** to him with tambourine and hâ**r**p!

4 For YAHWEH **takes** pleasure in his **people**. He **crowns** the humble with salvation.

5 Let the **saints** rejoice in honor. Let **them** sing **för** joy on **their** beds.

6 **May** the **high** praises of Elohim **be** in **their** mouths, and a two-edged sword in **their** hand;

7 To execute vengeance on the **nations**, and punishments on the **people**;

8 To bind **their** kings with **chains**, and **their** nobles with fetters of **iron**;

9 to execute on **them** the written judgment. All his **saints** have **this** honor. Praise YAH!

Psalm 150

Praise YAH! Praise Elohim in his sanctuary! Praise him in his heavens **för** his acts of power!

2 Praise him **för** his mighty acts! Praise him according to his excellent greatness!

3 Praise him **with** the sounding of the trumpet! Praise him **with** härp and lyre!

4 Praise him **with** tambourine and dancing! Praise him **with** stringed instruments and flute!

5 Praise him **with** loud cymbals! Praise him **with** resounding cymbals!

6 Let every **thing** **that** has breath praise YAH! Praise YAH!

ADDENDUM :THE PHONETIC ENGLISH BIBLE

YOUR VERY OWN PERSONAL GOD IS THE SPIRIT WHO IS BEHIND THE EYES THAT YOU SEE WHEN YOU LOOK IN THE MIRROR

Naturalists and creationists around the world have waged wars since especially the writings of Charles Darwin around the middle of the 19th century. For my own part ... I am a totally committed *creationist* in the direction of the ***SPIRIT*** who built the brain that I am thinking with.

My simple creationist thinking about the '***SPIRIT*** or 'GOD' in my head is easy to follow and is based mainly on a small number of verifiable facts:

1. ***The human brain*** : The human brain has long been recognized as the most ***complex*** organization of ***matter*** in the universe. It contains around one hundred billion cells ... and it would take around 3000 years to count them all ... without time off for either sleeping or eating. But this is only where the brain's complexity ***begins*** ... because each cell is made of the biological substance referred to as DNA (dioxy-ribo-nucleic-acid) and DNA is known as the most ***compact*** organization of ***information*** in the universe.
2. ***My age and nine months ago*** : My age and nine months ago I was only a fertilized human egg in my mum's belly. I was so small that I was only just visible to the naked eye ... and around ***50*** of me could have been fitted onto the space occupied by an Australian ***5*** cent coin. The ***sperm*** from my dad ... which provided the other ***half*** of the entire ***biological blueprint*** for my body was so small that as many as ***5*** of them could have been fitted into the width of a single human hair. Since that time ... and after 84 years ... this fertilized egg has grown into a human male weighing 77 kilograms.
3. ***The facetiously postulated 'Mother Nature'*** of Darwin's naturalist school of thinking has never even existed ... that "***she***" might possess any brain at all ... let alone enough brains to "***evolve***" a human brain or a fertilized human egg. The human brain alone is more complex than the entire system of computers at NASA headquarters in the USA!
4. ***I often "pre-see" bits of my personal future*** : The intellectual disciplines of biology and psychology are totally unable to explain "spiritual" phenomena like this. But similar "spiritual" events have happened with me on a number of occasions. Three examples will do for now. (1) on one occasion I personally saw ***Satan*** (2) on another occasion I saw a demon spirit at the ***same time as my companion saw*** it and (3) I have also seen miraculous healing in response to simple prayers before the ***SPIRIT*** who is behind the eyes that I see whenever I look in a mirror.
5. ***Finally:*** This Divine Creation ***SPIRIT*** who has been the exclusive source of the life in my body, has maintained no less than ***five continuous miracles*** on a full time basis for me since I was born ! (1) the miracle of ***locomotion*** (movement) in otherwise dead meat (2) the miracle of ***food processing*** for body energy and weight (3) the miracle of ***vision*** through the ever so tiny lenses in my ***eyes***. (4) the miracle of air ***vibrations*** that are detected as huge array of different ***sounds*** by my ears and (5) the miracle of the ***thought hierarchies*** and ***words*** that operate in my brain.

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BUT IS OUR BIBLE MORALLY QUALIFIED?

**Just what ARE the things that we DO that amount to “ SINS ”
and how qualified are our ENGLISH BIBLES especially to declare SIN ?**

Following is a commentary on a number of Bible based *behavioural statutes* that Bibles everywhere refer to as “ *SINS* ”. Many of us allow such statutes to quite destructively rule our lives.

In the writing of the next few pages I am indebted to a number of internet publications by the *Secular WEB group*. Whilst my own views on the *existence versus nonexistence of God* represent the clear antithesis of this group’s central position, this group does emphasize many items of *Biblical information* that many modern Christians would do well to know more about.

Our planet contains some 45,000 different Christian denominations whose teachings claim to have derived originally from a *divinely authorized* Bible. But are *any* Bible based doctrines indeed *divinely* authorized? This is truly a legitimate question. The problem of *divinely* determined *SIN* is promoted especially by a large number of fundamentalist *Christian* interpretations of scripture. And adamant interpretations of this type often lead to perfectly innocent people believing (quite self destructively) that they are actually *SINNING* before the God called *YAHWEH* in the Old Testament or before the Savior called *JESUS* in the New Testament.

The validity of such Bible based *SIN* doctrines have been a matter of the individual opinions that have been promoted for 2 millennia by over a million teachers of *scripture*. You may disagree that the conflicting *scriptures* in the following pages do in fact, cause or contribute to exclusively *Bible created* problems ... but these conflicting scriptures will still remain ... regardless of your own *perceived correctness* within your choices of ‘right’ or ‘wrong’ scriptures.

AND IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS

**EVERY ‘DEPARTED’ PERSON WHO HAS EVER LIVED
HAS ANSWERED EXCLUSIVELY TO THE SPIRIT
WHO WAS BEHIND THE EYES THAT THEY SAW
WHENEVER THEY HAD
LOOKED IN THE MIRROR**

SO LET’S NOW EXAMINE SOME CONFLICTING SCRIPTURES

1. Introduction: Problems with Bible Translation

NOTE The scriptural LINKS within this article have been selected from material provided by the ‘Secular Web’ group.

The modern English Bible ...with its massive problems ... will forever remain as a translation from a collection of sixty-six separate books that were originally chosen by a Catholic Church Council in 397 A.D. This was over three hundred years after the time of *JESUS*. The collection was broken into two main sections: the 39 books of the Old Testament and the 27 books of the New Testament. The current Catholic Bible also has an extra 4 books that is referred to as the Apocrypha. The Old Testament promotes *YAHWEH* as the God of Gods who created the entire universe and it presents a history of the early Hebrew people. The New Testament was written by early Christians and it presents their beliefs about what *JESUS* did and taught.

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The writing of the various books is estimated to have begun around 1000 B.C and to have continued for about 1,100 years. The traditional ***word of mouth*** stories of those years were put into writing. These stories had been repeated from father to son over centuries, revised over and over again, and then put into written form by various writers. These writers wrote in ***different localities over a period of centuries***, and were often not aware of each other.

The prominent '***Secular Web***' group reports (1) that no original manuscripts exist and that (2) there is not likely even ***one*** of the 70 books which survives in anything like its ***original*** form. The group also accurately reports that there are ***hundreds*** of differences between the oldest manuscripts of any one book! These differences show that over time, numerous additions and alterations were made to the originals by the various authors, editors, and copyists.

Many biblical authors are simply unknown. Even the ***four Gospels*** of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, are books that do not carry the names of their original authors. These four names were assigned long after the books were first written, and most biblical scholars now agree that ***none*** of the Gospel authors was either (1) an actual disciple of ***JESUS*** or (2) an eyewitness to His ministry

The Secular Web group also reports that many of the Bible books have the indelible tattoo of fiction. Many stories—stories which in their original context are considered even by devout Christians to be fictional—were 'borrowed' by the biblical authors, adapted for their own purposes, given a historical setting, and then declared to be historical fact. The ***flood story*** is an example of this kind of adaptation. Its migration from the earliest known occurrence in Samaria, around 1600 BCE from place to place and eventually to the Bible, can be traced historically. Each time the story was 'borrowed' again, it was altered to testify of local gods and heroes.

The ***Wycliffe Bible Translators*** reported that by 2022 the Bible had been translated into 717 languages which is almost 10% of the number of different languages in the world. All of these translations ***originated*** from the ancient ***Hebrew*** and ***Greek*** manuscripts but many were translations of a "second generation" type : e.g from one of the English translations to another language such as Samoan.

In particular: the 70 books which are now the foundation books for almost all English Bible translations were written in either ***Hebrew*** for the Old Testament or in ***Ancient Greek*** for the New Testament. And this translational choice from the ***Ancient Greek*** happened in 397 A.D. But the very ***original*** manuscripts for the New Testament had been written in the ***Peshitta dialect*** of the ***Aramaic language***. This Peshitta dialect had been the language that was both spoken and written by Jesus and His disciples.

THE MOST TRULY INCOMPREHENSIBLE FACT WITH OUR ENGLISH TRANSLATIONS

There were a total of ***14,298*** different ***Hebrew*** and ***Ancient Greek*** words from which our modern English Bibles derive most of their various (current) published translations ... and some ***five billion*** English Bibles have been printed since the early 19th century. Most astonishingly however, the ***two*** most ***mistranslated*** words among these ***14,298*** different words have been the two Hebrew/Aramaic words ***YAHWEH*** for GOD and ***JESHUA*** for JESUS . Simply no feature of Christian publication will ever be more incomprehensible than this.

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2. Some Seriously Flawed Views and Contradictions

A more thorough list of links is available on the internet from the “Secular Web” group.

[DT 6:5](#), [MT 22:37](#), [MK 12:30](#), [LK 10:27](#) *Love God.*

[DT 6:13](#), [PS 33:8](#), [34:9](#), [111:10](#), [115:13](#), [128:1](#), [147:11](#), [PR 8:13](#), [16:6](#), [19:23](#), [22:4](#), [IS 8:13](#), [LK 12:5](#), [1PE 2:17](#) *Fear God.*

[1KI 22:23](#), [2CH 18:22](#), [JE 4:10](#), [EZ 14:9](#) *God deceives some of the prophets.* [JE 8:8](#) *The scribes (copyists, editors, teachers) falsify the word.*

[2TH 2:11-12](#) *God deceives the wicked (to be able to condemn them).*

[MT 16:28](#), [MK 9:1](#), [LK 9:27](#) Jesus says that some of his listeners will *not taste death* before he comes again in his kingdom. This was said almost 2000 years ago.

3. A few Apparent Absurdities

A more thorough list of links is available on the internet from the “Secular Web” group.

[GE 6:5](#) God is unhappy with the wickedness of man and decides to flood the earth to *eliminate* mankind. All living things including plants, animals, women and children are also exterminated. [GE 7:17-19](#) The flood covered the entire earth at the same time

[NU 22:21-30](#) A donkey sees an angel, recognizes it as such, and then *speaks* in human language (presumably Hebrew) to his master.

[1KI 4:29](#) God gave the *sexually depraved* King Solomon (with 700 wives and 300 concubines) *wisdom as measureless as the sand on the seashore.*

[IS 30:26](#) The moon will someday be as bright as the sun now is.

[MT 18:19](#) If *two* [believers] agree about anything they ask, God will do it for them.

[JN 16:23](#) Jesus says: “*Whatever you ask in my name*, my Father will give you.”

[RE 14:1-4](#) Heaven is to be inhabited in part by *144,000 virgin men* who have not been “defiled” by women.

4. A Selection from Many Atrocities

A more thorough list of links is available on the internet from the “Secular Web” group.

[LE 26:29](#), [DT 28:53](#), [JE 19:9](#), [EZ 5:8-10](#) As a punishment, the Lord will cause people to *eat the flesh* of their own sons and daughters and fathers and friends.

[NU 15:32-36](#) A Sabbath breaker (who had gathered sticks for a fire) is *stoned to death* at the Lord’s command.

[NU 25:4](#) (KJV) “And the Lord said unto Moses, take all the heads of the people, and hang them up before the Lord against the sun”

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[DT 20:13-17](#) But thou shalt utterly destroy them; namely, the Hittites, and the Amorites, the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites; as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee: **(6 Genocides)** [DT 20:16](#) “In the cities of the nations the Lord is giving you as an inheritance, do not leave alive anything that breathes.” and this when our modern histories condemn comparable *genocides* by *Hitler, Stalin and Putin*.

[JG 11:29-39](#) Jepthah *sacrifices his beloved daughter*, his only child, according to a vow he has made with the Lord. [2SA 10:18](#) David slew 47,000+ Syrians. [2KI 10:7](#) Jehu has Ahab’s seventy sons beheaded, then *sends the heads* to their father.

[MT 3:12](#), [8:12](#), [10:21](#), [13:30](#), [42](#), [22:13](#), [24:51](#), [25:30](#), [LK 13:28](#), [JN 5:24](#) Some will spend *eternity burning in Hell*. There will be weeping, wailing and gnashing of teeth.

[MT 10:35-36](#) “For I have come to turn a man *against* his father, a daughter *against* her mother, a daughter-in-law *against* her mother-in-law a man’s enemies will be the members of his own family.”

5. Questionable Guidelines

A more thorough list of links is available on the internet from the “Secular Web” group.

[GE 3:16](#), [CO 11:3-9](#), [EP 5:22-24](#), [CN 3:18](#), [TS 2:5](#), [1PE 3:1-6](#) The husband is to rule over his wife. Wives are to be subject to their husbands even when the husband is disobedient to God. Man is the image and glory of God, while woman is the glory of man. Man was not created for woman but woman for man. [GE 31:17](#), [GE 36:6](#), [DT 21:15](#), [JG 8:30](#), [SA 5:13](#), [KI 11:3](#), [CH 14:3](#), [CH 11:21](#), [13:21](#) *Polygamy* is condoned

[EX 20:5](#) We are not to worship a likeness. The children to the *third and fourth generation* will be punished for infractions.

[EX 20:8-11](#), [31:15-17](#), [34:21](#), [35:1-3](#) No work of any kind is to be done on the Sabbath, not even lighting of a fire. This commandment is permanent. *Death* is required for infractions

[EX 21:7-11](#) A father can *sell a daughter* into slavery to pay a debt. A daughter sold into slavery is not released at the end of six years as is an ordinary male slave.

[EX 21:17](#), [LE 20:9](#), [DT 21:18-21](#) A child who curses his parent(s) is to be put to death. A stubborn and/or rebellious child *is to be put to death*. [NU 31:18](#), [35](#), [JG 21:12](#) Young *virgins* are considered a spoil of war and can be taken for the use of the victors.

[DT 24:1-4](#) A man may *divorce his wife* simply because she displeases him.

[MT 5:22](#) Do not get angry. *Anger is a sin*. [MT 23:9](#) Do not call any *man on earth* “father.”

[MT 5:18-19](#) The *Old Testament law* is to *remain in effect* until heaven and earth pass away.

[MT 5:29-30](#), [18:8-9](#), [MK 9:43-47](#) If your eye causes you to *sin*, pluck it out. If your hand causes you to *sin*, cut it off. [MK 10:2-12](#), [LK 16:18](#) Divorce is wrong, and to remarry is to commit adultery.

[MK 10:29](#), [LK 18:29](#) A man who leaves his *house, wife, brothers, parents, or children* for the sake of the kingdom of God will receive special rewards.

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[LK 14:26](#) One cannot be a disciple of Jesus *unless he hates* his mother, father, wife, children, brothers, sisters, and even his own life.

[RO 13:1-4](#), [PE 2:13-14](#) Be subject to *every human institution*. All authorities (laws and governments) are from God.

[1CO 11:3-10](#) A woman is to keep *her head covered* while praying or prophesying.

[1CO 14:34-35](#) Women are to be *silent* in church. If they have any questions, they are to ask their husbands at home. It is a *shame* for women to speak in church. [1TI 2:9](#), [1PE 3:3](#) Women should not braid their hair, or wear gold or pearls or costly attire. [1TI 2:11-12](#) Women are to learn in silence (from men) in all submissiveness. [1TI 2:12](#) Women are not permitted to teach or have authority over

6. Bible Vulgarities

A more thorough list of links is available on the internet from "Secular Web" group.

[1SA 18:27](#) So that David might be allowed to marry the king's daughter, the king asks David to bring him 100 Philistine foreskins. David does the job right and brings the king not 100, but 200, foreskins of murdered Philistines.

[2SA 5:13](#), [20:3](#) David had many concubines. [2SA 6:14](#), [16](#), [20-23](#) David dances and exposes himself to his maids. (His wife, Michal rebukes him for having done so, and as a consequence she is made barren.)

[2SA 12:11-12](#) The Lord is going to punish David for his sin by taking his wives and causing his neighbor to have sexual relations with them in public. [2KI 6:29](#) "So we cooked my son and ate him. The next day I said to her, 'Give up your son so we may eat him,' but she had hidden him."

[1CH 11:21](#) Rehoboam had eighteen wives and sixty concubines. [IS 13:15](#) "Their infants will be dashed to pieces before their eyes; their ... wives will be ravished." [EZ 23:10](#) "They stripped her naked, took away her sons and daughters and killed her with the sword." [HO 13:16](#) "They shall fall by the sword: their infants shall be dashed in pieces, and their women with child shall be ripped up."

BIBLE BASED JUDGEMENT OF OUR 'SIN' BEHAVIOUR ?

With foundational background scriptures that expose MORAL EXCESSES AS EXTREME AS THE FOREGOING none of the 45,000 (democratically elected) Christian denominations on Planet Earth has EVER had divine entitlement to be SCRIPTURALLY ADAMANT or JUDGEMENTAL about our human " SIN " behavior.

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**SO WHICH BITS OF YOUR BIBLE
TRULY AMOUNT TO
“ THE WORD OF GOD ”
FOR YOU PERSONALLY ?**

According to the scripture, the Elohim (GOD) of Moses called himself **YAHWEH**. This is the name that He our Elohim (GOD) gave to Moses with this clear instruction ***“This is My Name forever ... the name you shall call me from generation to generation.”*** (Ex 3:14) And even in 2022 some of our Bible translators continue to (mis)pronounce the Hebrew word for **YAHWEH** as **JEHOVAH**.

Astonishingly, the investigations of our 21st century archaeologist Titus Kennedy, serve to confirm the pronunciation of **YAHWEH**. He reports that the name of the Elohim (GOD) called **YAHWEH** is associated with the Egyptian pictogram for ***“the Land of the Nomads of the world”*** within the 3,400 year old stonework that was chiselled during the reign of Pharaoh Amenhotep III.

Religious traditions since that time have mostly espoused the view that Moses was actually the author of the first five books of the Bible. These books are called ***The Torah*** by Jews, ***The Pentateuch*** by Christians and ***The Taurat*** by Muslims. For a significant list of reasons, some of which we present in this introduction, this tradition is contentious.

Modern archaeology holds that the 3,400 year old version of the Hebrew Torah could not have been written by Moses. Rather, it teaches that the Torah was most probably compiled from the largely ***oral language traditions*** that prevailed around the time of the Babylonian enslavement of the Hebrew people. This enslavement occurred circa 600 BCE ... an estimated 8 centuries after the death of Moses. And the very earliest form of Hebrew writing ... called Paleo Hebrew ... begins to appear in the archaeological records of around 1000 years before the birth of the Christ.

**WE REALLY DO HAVE AN ANCIENT TRANSLATIONAL PROBLEMS WITH
“ THE WORD OF GOD ”**

Despite the 2000 year old translational problems, Andrew Gabriel Roth (2012) points out that the birth of JESUS was preceded by over 300 mentions within the scriptures. And the writing of these scriptures seems to have begun close enough to the time of King David circa 1000 BCE. No other event in human history has been preceded by so many miraculously recorded portents within the written record. Our scriptural translational problems however have persisted, with especially most of our ***English*** translations of the ancient Hebrew.

Our main first English translation of the scriptures was for King James the King of England. It occurred in 1611. And today ... some 82% of the people who regularly read the English Bible will reach for this still seriously mistranslated King James version before any other.

Yet nowadays there are heaps of other Bibles to choose from. Between 1815 and 1975 an estimated total of 5 billion Bibles were printed. The average citizen in America owns 9 Bibles and the annual global sales of Bibles routinely tops \$425million. Globally too, more than 66,000 people are using a Bible app at any given second.

But since 1611, most of the English speaking Christians of the world have been taught that the original New Testament scriptures were written in ***Ancient Greek***. And this is categorically not the case. **JESUS** and his disciples both spoke and wrote ***Aramaic*** and they wrote the earliest scriptures in Aramaic.

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Was it the **WORD** of GOD or was it the **MILTHA** of GOD ?

The ancient Greek translators in fact, frequently *distorted* the meanings of the original *Aramaic* scriptures of our New Testament by using Greek words that did not have the same meanings as the Aramaic words. For example : the word *Miltha* in the original Aramaic meant both *Word* as well as *Power*. If this original and unique double meaning from some 2000 years ago had been carried over into the billions of Bibles that were subsequently printed, it could have radically altered the appreciation of our Elohim's (GOD's) basic truth by Christians all over the world.

A CASE IN POINT THE FIRST VERSE OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

*In the beginning was the Miltha (... word or power ...) and the Miltha (... word or power ...) was with Elohim (God) and Elohim (God) was the Miltha (... word or power ...)**

* Reference : Aramaic English New Testament 2012 (by) Andrew Gabriel Roth

In effect ... the *Aramaic* word for what much of the English speaking world calls the *Word* ... refers both to a *string of letters* and to a *string of spoken sounds* as well as to the *presence and power* of our Elohim (GOD).

And when we read some of our modern scriptures in this 'new' but nearly 2000 year old light they can expand with additional meaning. Examples follow.

“ The miltha (word or power ?) of God is living and powerful and sharper than a two edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit and of joints and marrow and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart ... “ *Heb: 4:12 NKJV*

“Most assuredly I say to you, he who hears My miltha (word or power ?) and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life and ...” *John: 5:24 NKJV*

THE FORGOTTEN POWER OF 'SCRIPTURE FREE' PRAYERS

Please note : This topic within this writing is not intended to belittle the extreme importance for all of us ... of searching the scriptures for directions from The Holy Spirit on our thinking, speaking and living. The most shared Bible Verse on the internet today is Isaiah 53:5 as follows : *“But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him and by His stripes we are healed”*

According to a global counting exercise in late 2021, more than **893** translations of the Bible currently existed in print and this in **246** different languages.* Give or take a few thousand words, there must be around 750,000 words in all of them. And as mentioned earlier, these translations serve a truly amazing total of more than 45,000 Christian denominations that exist in the world. This amounts to a different Christian denomination ... together with its democratic rule book and ruling bureaucracy ... for roughly every 16 words within an average English Bible! * Source: Grzegorz Kaszynski

Moses however began praying with *no scripture at all* that we can know of: but the *spoken language* traditions of his time probably supplied him with much of the information which later appeared within at least the Book of Genesis.

Regardless of these problems, the Book of Exodus tells us that Moses was directly told by *YAHWEH* Himself that His name was *YAHWEH*. Today's majority view holds that this name means *I AM THE I AM*.

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Scripture says that **YAHWEH** also gave Moses the first copy of *The Ten Commandments*. These commandments over the ensuing millennia became the foundational rules for shaping the behaviours and beliefs of almost the entire Western World as we know it.

In his day, Moses must have been the busiest man on the planet. Scripture tells us that initially he was the leader of some 600,000 warriors ... plus their families ... out of Egypt and that for the 40 years that followed he led these families during their nomadic wanderings in the desert. On these figures alone not less than 2.5 million nomadic people were under Moses' leadership in the desert.

Time for prayer and time for the actual writing of the very first 'scripture' must have been rare indeed for Moses. Yet the Moses type of scripture free prayer still stands out as possibly the most successful type of prayer in either human or 'Biblical' history. Let's consider some of the scriptural evidence.

Despite his lack of access to any '*scripture*' that we can know of, the Moses reputation for miraculously answered prayers can be argued to rival that of even **JESUS** our Saviour. Among other things ... these prayers (1) brought ten plagues upon the entire nation of Egypt (2) parted the Red Sea for Moses and his people (3) destroyed the Pharaoh's army and (4) miraculously healed thousands ... and all of these things without Moses having any access to a Holy Book or Scroll.

Moses simply loved the **YAHWEH** that he prayed to ... but we cannot believe with confidence that he wrote the first five books of the Bible. *Historically* speaking, much outside of the Ten Commandments the 'writing' of significant tracts of scripture by Moses himself is dubious indeed. The earliest form of Hebrew writing (paleo Hebrew) first occurs in the archaeological record at around the time of King David.

THE 'SECRET' BEHIND THE PRAYER OF MOSES ?

God is love and *faith works by love* are the two most simple and absolute statements that reveal the derivation of the immense power that supported the prayer of Moses. An uncountable number of similar statements occur throughout scripture. Jointly, these two statements represent the most fundamental teaching about the *spiritual state of mind* within us that releases the Divine power of **YAHWEH** and of His Savior Son **JESUS**. This '*Divine love*' teaching underpins countless pages of the Bible from Genesis through to Revelation. And the vital message of this teaching for the whole of humanity is equally simple. In the absence of love **YAHWEH** and His son **JESUS** miracles do not occur.

“ Though I speak with the tongues of men and angels, and have not love I am become as sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal ... and though I have all the faith so that I can move (even) mountains but have not love I am nothing.” 1 Cor: 1-2

Any Christian denomination that does not systematically set out to engender this level of divinely powered love within its congregations is simply not representing the Elohim (GOD) who designed and built the brain that each of us is thinking with. It was miraculous divine love that enabled Abraham's wife Sarah to bear a child at the age of ninety. It was miraculous divine love that worked all the miracles for Moses. It was miraculous divine love that created over 300 prophetic scriptures that were *fulfilled* by the birth, life, death and resurrection of **JESUS**. It also continues to be this divine love that is accessible to this very day to both you and me ... who believe in the following:

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1. **YAHWEH** as the Spirit who built the brain that each of us thinks with and
2. **JESUS** who, as his **human** son, voluntarily sacrificed his own human Spirit to his Elohim and Father **YAHWEH**, so that the unique **human holiness** and power of the **spirit** of the Son might be **returned** by **YAHWEH** to all who prayed with a total commitment before the unconditional love of **YAHWEH**. This **UNION** of Father and Son is referred to scripturally as **THE HOLY SPIRIT**

“Greater works than these shall you do because I go unto My Father” John 14:12

THE 21st CENTURY ‘SECRET’ BEHIND THE POWER OF THE CHRIST ?

You’ve got it already ... but a few more things need to be added

The **JESUS** who returned His **spirit** to **YAHWEH** for *each* of us was a Jewish rabbi or ‘teacher’ of his time. He preached and consistently demonstrated (with many miracles) the power that could be generated by the love of **YAHWEH** like no-one else either before Him or since. His words from the gospel of Mark some 2000 years ago summarize His *still current instruction* to us all.

“Behold Israel, the Lord YAHWEH your Elohim (GOD) is one. You shall love the Lord YAHWEH your Elohim (GOD) with all your heart and with all your mind and with all your strength.” then “This is the first commandment. The second is like this: You shall also love your neighbour as you love yourself” then “There is no other commandment greater than these”

So what on earth could have caused the divine **grace** behind this access to unlimited divine power to seemingly disappear from global Christianity in practice ? Even the Book of Revelation points out that our first century Christians started to **abandon** the teachings of **YAHWEH** through His son **JESUS** before the end of that century.

THE MOST MIRACULOUS TRUTH OF THE LOT

In all probability, the most miraculous truth of the lot to emerge from the current collection of especially English Bible translations is as follows:

“Sufficient basic truth about YAHWEH and His Son JESUS has actually survived to enable a huge number of Christians to establish both life-long and eternal love relationships with them BOTH and this through the HOLY SPIRIT

Even in 2023 our translations continue to provide hundreds of editorial and moral inconsistencies that persist in defying teachings by Jewish and Christian clerics everywhere.

THE NEW TESTAMENT

An editorial minefield of INCONSISTENCES and SYMBOLISM !

As mentioned earlier, originally the New Testament was a group of **27 separate documents** ... later called Books ... that were written by either 8 or 9 writers some 1900 years ago. These documents claimed to have recorded the activities and teachings of the Christ and are guesstimated to have been written between 30 years and up to 90 years after His death on the Cross.

Some of our modern archaeology **guesses** that perhaps two of the New Testament writers might have been eyewitnesses to any of the events ... involving the Person of Jesus ... that they wrote about. But archaeology also guesses that there were none. Whilst **copying** between the writers

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of that time is evident today, it is indeed clear that *none* of them communicated with any of the others at the time(s) of their writings.

All of these original documents were written in the *Aramaic* language that was spoken and written by *JESUS* and His apostles. As explained more fully later, it is *vital* to be clear that the original language of our scriptures was *not* Greek ... and our modern experts who quote from the ancient Greek scriptures need to do more homework.

With editorial qualifications as clearly haphazard as this, a minefield of inconsistencies within the original New Testament Scriptures was inevitable. These inconsistencies are still everywhere within our New Testament. At that time especially ... without any *authoritative community body* in place to actually vet the writings of the then revolutionary ‘*JESUS* movement’ the way was cleared for a minefield of writings that were less than strictly factual.

Some 170+ inconsistencies

The work on the internet by Donald Morgan (of the Secular Web group) on these Bible inconsistencies is thorough. In the New Testament alone he lists over 170 of them that have not been refuted ... and this regardless of the particular translation into English that you are reading. To me, the following *two alone* of Morgan’s reported inconsistencies, are sufficiently *arresting* to convince others ... such as yourself ... to begin larger checks of your own.

1. The last words of JESUS on the Cross: The three different versions of *JESUS’* last words on the Cross are:

“My God My God why hast Thou forsaken Me!” MT 27:46-50 MK 15: 34-37

“Father, into Thy hands I commit My spirit.” LK 23: 46

“It is finished.” JN 19: 30

2. The unforgivable sin: blasphemy against the Holy Spirit: Three different scriptures tell us that *ALL* sins are forgivable: AC 13:39 CN 2:13 and 1 JN 1:9. These three scriptures conflict with the following words that are reported as *quotes* from the mouth of *JESUS*.

“But whosoever speaketh against the Holy Spirit it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world nor the world to come.” MT 12:32

“But he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Spirit hath never forgiveness, but is in danger of eternal damnation.” MK 3:29

“But unto him that blasphemeth against the Holy Spirit it shall not be forgiven.” LK 12:10

TWISTED TRUTH GLOBALLY BY CHRISTIAN PREACHERS

Christianity is simultaneously the most divided and divisive set of beliefs in the world. Christians are in a position to choose a different cult or branch of Christianity for roughly *every 16 pages* of a “Holy” English Bible that can only *claim* to be holy and in selected *parts* of it. The *45,000* Christian denominations on Planet Earth do scream of (1) division (2) untruth (3) confusion and (4) unreliability. It appears that we can trust *God* and only *God*.

Around the world preachers, priests, pastors and pretenders of all descriptions derive their often *lucrative* incomes by teaching the *Word of the Bible* but all too often *blasphemize* that they are (instead) teaching the “*Word of God*”.

Andrew Farley in his recent book entitled *Twisted Scriptures* presents an able exposure of the *main 45 lies* that have been preached (some of them for centuries) from Christian pulpits all over the world. Farley has made freely available both audible and PDF files of his book

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on the internet. The time has come for many Christians to find out about the *destructiveness* of these lies..

It is well too to be reminded that these preachers tend to preach from only an estimated *10% of the scriptures* that the Bible makes available to everyone.

MILLENNIA OLD DISTORTIONS FROM SYMBOLIC BIBLICAL STORIES

1. The Adam and Eve Story : More symbolism is contained in this story than most Christians realize. And we need only to question the DNA of the male and female involved. If the story were true then (1) *one* of the pair had to be a giant and the other a pygmy and (2) *one* of them had to be white and the other either striped or polka dotted ... and this in different skin colors.

So many of our Bible stories and events need to be seen as simply *symbolic* illustrations that were originally meant by the Lord **YAHWEH** to convey features of an undefined but underpinning *spiritual* reality.

2. The “This is My Body” story : In the Scriptures, **JESUS** at one stage symbolically said *“I am the vine ... and My Father is the Farmer.”* This statement was spoken as a simple and *symbolic* one that has never been misinterpreted. And no Christian in the 2000 years since then has believed that **JESUS** ever once resembled a *mobile bunch of leaves*.

But a *second* (and similarly simple and *symbolic* statement uttered by **JESUS**) has consistently brought some truly incredible behaviors to especially Catholic, Coptic and Orthodox church ceremonies over the past two millennia. This second statement was reportedly said by **JESUS** at what is known as the last supper when, at a simple and final meal table ... **JESUS** broke a loaf of bread and said these words *“This is My body.”* and then shortly after this he said these words *“Do this in remembrance of Me.”*

And for most of the 2000 years since that time, the strictly regimented Catholic church theology on the 4 word symbolic statement of *“This is My Body”* has required all Catholics to believe the following : that whenever Catholic priests say these four words over bits of bread, then these bits of bread are instantly *converted* into the actual *“body, blood, soul and divinity”* of the Lord **JESUS** Himself!

To me, it's impossible to concoct an officially stipulated theological teaching that could be more implausible than this. But this centuries old and *official theological stipulation* does help to explain to the global non-Catholic or non Coptic or non-Orthodox public ... why the world witnesses on the public media ... so many hugely expensive or seemingly crazy ‘fancy dress’ ceremonies by men in their religious uniforms.

To me ... the daily practice of the *“This is my Body”* ritual by Catholicism essentially tries to teach us that the ‘once and for all’ *spiritual* sacrifice of the life of the only begotten son of **YAHWEH** on the Cross wasn't enough for the *spiritual* salvation of humankind in its entirety.

MOST CHRISTIANS GLOBALLY DO NOT CALL ON THE NAME OF THE GOD CALLED YAHWEH TO WHOM JESUS PRAYED

As clearly detailed earlier, the original scriptures of the Bible have been translated into over 246 *languages*. In most of these languages the name of **YAHWEH** has been translated accurately from the original Aramaic or Hebrew ... especially in their Old Testaments and in a few of their New Testaments as well. But the very name of **YAHWEH** to whom **JESUS** actually prayed on a full time basis, is missing (and this *almost* absolutely) from *English* Bibles.

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Among my personal possessions for example, is a *Contemporary Comparative Parallel Bible*. This volume contains some 3,000,000 words about the lives and teachings of Moses through to *JESUS*. If the translations from the original languages had been fully accurate then this volume should have printed the name *YAHWEH* a total of **28,000** times. The blasphemous truth however is that the mention of the name *YAHWEH* occurs only *once*.

It is almost exclusively within our *English* language Bibles ... and translations into *other languages* from these ... that we find this blasphemous reluctance to translate the original Hebrew/Aramaic name for *YAHWEH* simply and accurately as *YAHWEH*.

LITERALLY TRILLIONS OF DENIALS GLOBALLY

1. For 2000 years, the signature prayer for all of Christianity has been the *HALLOWED BE THYNAME* or the *OUR FATHER* prayer. For at least a hundred human generations this prayer has been sent heavenwards by *many millions* of Christians almost every hour of every day. Yet the name of *YAHWEH* our Elohim (GOD) that this prayer has clearly referred to is *never* spoken or thought of.

2. In the 21st century the Jewish descendants of their ancient Hebrew teachings are still being instructed thousands of times by the modern copies of their Old Testament scriptures that *YAHWEH* is the name of the Elohim (GOD) who created both them and their universe. But around 2,500 years ago, the ruling 'holy' Hebrew clerics of that day told their forebears that the name of *YAHWEH* was too holy to be spoken out loud by *anyone* ...except of course by the ruling Hebrew clerics ... and this on only very rare occasions.

So to this day, when reading their scriptures *aloud*, the modern descendants of the Hebrew people read the word *YAHWEH* as "*Ha shem*" (The Name) or as "*Adonai*" (Master). In this way, these *present day followers* of their own ancient clerical ruling class could well be disempowering the very name of the Elohim (GOD) that their original holy scriptures *still explicitly instruct* them to pray to.

3. Since around 1611 CE, there have been some five billion Protestant and Catholic Bibles printed in English alone. The Catholic Bible, comprising a guesstimated 20% of the total, is the main English Bible that makes any mention of the word *YAHWEH* ... but only within its Old Testament section. With few exceptions, the remaining English Bibles make *no mention* of the word *YAHWEH*.

Yet all of these Bibles claim to have derived from the original Hebrew and this when the Hebrew scriptures alone contain the word *YAHWEH* not less than **6,823** times. And the original *Aramaic* scriptures of the New Testament add at least an extra **176** times to these.

In simple terms then, this means that BILLIONS of English Bibles around the world today collectively *deny* the translation of the very name of *YAHWEH* our Elohim (GOD) some TRILLIONS of times.

There's an interesting and relevant afterthought here too. Some 1900 years ago the original New Testament Scripture reported that St Peter *denied* that he personally knew *JESUS* only **three** times ... but because of the Scriptures he has been remembered for these three denials ever since.

I despair when I think of what the world's thousands of English speaking *Bible Colleges* have simply *not* done to correct English translations of the Bible. But with only few exceptions, the global omission of the word *YAHWEH* from *all* editions of English New Testaments is also total. And, depending upon which modern and archaeologically verified '*Hebraic Roots*' New Testament that we are using as a reference, these omissions add

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many more TRILLIONS of denials to the name of **YAHWEH** within our English Bibles today.

AND WHAT WOULD JESUS HAVE SAID ABOUT THIS ?

... as mentioned earlier : He would have said ...

“ Behold Israel ! YAHWEH our Elohim is one. You shall love YAHWEH your Elohim with all your heart, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first commandment. The second is like this, ‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these. ”

2000 YEAR OLD RELIGIOUS BIGOTRY

Since before the time of **JESUS** more than 16 Aramaic dialects have now emerged on Planet Earth ... but the very original Aramaic dialect of our New Testament times was the language that was spoken and written by our Savior and His disciples. Archaeologically speaking, this dialect is called Peshitta Aramaic.

The evidence now has it that, sometime early within the century following the death of Our Savior, the Peshitta Aramaic New Testament scriptures were first translated into **Greek**.

In 382 CE, the Ancient **Greek** translations of both Testaments were also translated into **Latin** and this without any corrections to their fundamental errors. And these seriously still **uncorrected** translations currently mark the historical confirmation of a blasphemous translational **religious bigotry** that has continued into most of the world's 21st century English Bibles.

HOW THIS BIGOTRY ALSO TRANSFORMED THE NAME OF JESUS

The original Greek translators of the early centuries ... and the later translators of the 17th century King James Bible ... clearly had their own bigoted or antisemitic views that were brought to early and then later Christianity.

Four examples are sufficient for our present purposes: **Both** the ancient Greek translators of around the 1st or 2nd century and the King James translators of the 17th century:

1. **Eradicated** all mention of the name **YAHWEH** as the name of GOD (**Elohim**) even though it occurred 6,823 times in the Old Testament and not less than 176 times in the Peshitta New Testament.

The name **YAHWEH** over all those centuries was and still **is** the divine name that powered all the miracles (1) for **Moses** and also (2) for **JESUS** in His ministry and also (3) for all the Hebrew people who lived within the 1,400 years that separated their lives on earth.

2. **Eradicated** an extremely important meaning within the Hebrew word **Elohim** (for ‘GOD’) with its truly vital ability to simultaneously mean both **ONE*** as well as **MANY***. (* Like the word **SHEEP*** in English)

The simultaneous grammatically **singular and plural** attribute of the Hebrew word **Elohim** is much more explanatory than either the English word **God** or the Greek word **Theos**.

3. **Fully reinvented** the name of **JESUS** from the original Aramaic **YESHUA** in line with the name of their own main pagan Greek god called **ZEUS** and with this decision they actually **renamed** and thereby paganized our Savior's name from the Aramaic **YESHUA** to the nothing like it sound of **IE-ZEUS**.

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This paganized **IE-ZEUS** was later to be pronounced variously as **IE-SUS**, **IE-SOU** and also **JE-SUS** by the different nations of the world.

4. **De-emphasized** to near extinction, countless foundational teachings and traditions within the **TORAH** that was attributed to Moses ... as well as to **JESUS** ... by referring to the five books of the **TORAH** as merely the **LAW**.

YOUR VERY OWN PERSONAL GOD IS FOREVER IN YOUR BRAIN WITH YOU AND WITH ALL OF HIS MINISTERING SPIRITS AND THIS ALL OF THE TIME

Wherever our Elohim (GOD) is, *his ministering spirits too* are with Him and this *all* of the time. No other view or theory on the precise whereabouts of both Elohim (GOD) and *his ministering spirits* makes any sense at all. This is why the Hebrew word 'ELOHIM' (which is both singular and plural) is a much better word than the English word 'GOD' or the Greek word 'THEOS' as a reference to our creator who creates everyone *individually*. A paraphrase from Psalm 82 adds some light here : *You are GODS (Elohim ?) yet you shall each die like a MAN.*

However, none of humankind's three Abrahamic religions choose to sufficiently emphasize this *most fundamental spiritual reality* that underpins the design and construction of the brain that is in *every (single) human head*. The Christian scriptures too declare *"In the Beginning was the WORD and the WORD was with GOD and GOD was the WORD."* They also declare that Elohim (GOD) is and *always was* the *"Alpha and the Omega."* or if we prefer the *Aramaic* here ... *"the Aleph and the Tav."*

And these two simple declarations also neatly summarise that Elohim (GOD) is actually the *first* word ever spoken by humankind and the *last* word too. There has never been a clearer way than these two Scriptures to summarise the *ultimate* truth that Elohim (GOD) alone has been the *ever present spiritual powerhouse* that has underpinned *every* word that your human brain ... with its 100 billion cells ... has ever thought of or spoken.

For around 170 human *generations* too (from roughly the time of Moses onwards) all *three* of the *Abrahamic religions* of the world have consistently failed to teach prayer routines that have been designed to communicate (with *shared* love) in the essential **two way** process between you and the Elohim (GOD) who built **you**. We need to remember constantly that **our own** love for the Elohim (GOD) in our heads and hearts is close enough to the only valuable thing on the planet that even He our ELOHIM is **unable** to create !

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