PSALM 106



ift your hands and praise the Lord, give thanks the Lord is good; for His kindness evermore, (to praise the Lord we should).

- 2 Who can speak of all His valor, of the Lord's great power; who can tell of all the praise, that's due to Him each hour?
- 3 Happy all who guard His law, and keep His judgments sound; who carry out His righteous acts, whenever they are found.
- 4 Remember me with pleasure Lord, a people Your delight; bestow Your aid and health on us, and save us in Your sight.
- 5 To see Your goodness for Your chosen, joy for all the nation; that I may shine as Your great heir, in joyful declaration.
- 6 We have missed things as our fathers, and done wickedly; crooked in our actions, all the wrong is plain to see.
- 7 Our fathers knew not Egypt's wonders, great kindness You bestow; rebelled from You at the Red Sea, (when they were free to go).
- 8 Yet You saved and set them free, for Your great name alone; showing victory and power, making Your might known.
- 9 Reproved the Red Sea and it fled, dried up as solid ground; and walked them through its surging deep, through desert lands they found.
- 10 You set them free from Pharaoh's hand, who hated utterly; and bought them back from the hand, of their cruel enemy.
- 11 The waters covered o'er their foes, (Your power there proclaimed); and they were drowned within the sea, not one of them remained.
- 12 Then they believed in God's great Word, (had seen it come to pass); and sang to Him great hymns of praise, and heartfelt thankfulness.
- 13 But soon they all forgot His deeds, remembered not His might; nor waited patiently for Him, to give the best advice.
- 14 And coveted so greedily, there in the desert sand; then tempted God and proved Him, in a desolate dry land.
- 15 He gave them just as they had asked, to meet their foolish goal; and sent them scant provision, and thinness to their soul.
- 16 Then even against Moses, their jealousy increased; and yet against dear Aaron, God's consecrated priest.
- 17 The earth gaped open swallowing, Dathan and his mob; and covered up Abiram, and all those who mocked their God.
- 18 Blazing fire was kindled, flashed in their very midst; flames licked up these evil ones, (they got their recompense).
- 19 They forged a calf in Horeb, a bullock made of gold; then fell 'fore it and worshipped, this "god" lifeless and cold.

- 20 They bartered their great splendor, for the likeness of a beast; the image of an ox or cow, that on the grass doth feed.
- 21 Forgetting the Almighty, their Savior's mighty hand; and all the miracles He'd done, across Egyptian lands.
- 22 His wondrous works and majesty, throughout the land of Ham; the awesome reverence due to Him, when He the Red Sea spanned.
- 23 Warned of desolation, up stood Moses His selection; stopping ire in the gap, ruin's sure deflection.
- 24 But they despised and spurned delightsome, lands that He had given; believing not in God's true Word, (His promise down from heaven).
- 25 So murmuring and grumbling, in their tents they were ashamed; and never heard or understood, the Lord's call that He gave.
- 26 And thus His hand was lifted up, (He could not help them more); and so they fell in their own sin, upon the desert's floor.
- 27 Their seed all their posterity, fell lost in foreign lands; and they were scattered and dispersed, across the desert sands.
- 28 They bowed to serve the Baal Peor, (Moab's heathen god); and ate the slaughtered flesh of those, who died to give it laud.
- 29 Troubling and grieving, were their stupid evil deeds; and thus a pestilence broke out, a pitiful disease.
- 30 Then stood up Phineas with strength, entreating for their lives; and so the plague was ended, and forgiveness from their strife.
- 31 And that was reckoned for, his righteousness and rectitude; throughout the generations, as an everlasting truth.
- 32 They burst forth in rebellion, provoking for a stream; and Moses there offended, caught up in their foul scheme.
- 33 For they were foolish and rebelled, against the Spirit's word; and Moses babbled with his lips, not trusting in his Lord.
- 34 They did not wipe out enemies, vile nations to be dead; (not taking heed to do what's right), as the Lord had said.
- 35 Braided with the nations, and mixed with evil men; they felt the goad of wicked ways, accomplice to their sin.
- 36 Enslaved unto their idols, their sad images of shame; that soon became a snare to them, and captured them as game.
- 37 They even slaughtered their own sons, and their own daughters too; unto these devils full of hate, (as no sane man would do).
- 38 They spilled the blood of innocents, the boys and girls they bore; sacrificed for Canaan's idols, soiled more and more.
- 39 Thus they were polluted, by their works of evil done; wanton as a harlot, in their actions every one.
- 40 The Lord glowed hot in ire, at the malice of these tribes; so that He found abominable, the heirs He'd set aside.

- 41 He gave them to the hand of peoples, (for their wicked schemes); ruled by those who hated them, enslaved for all to see.
- 42 Their foes afflicted and oppressed, this subjugated band; vanquishing and humbling them, with cruel and wicked hand.
- 43 Abundantly He rescued them, and they provoked Him yet; from evil plans they perished, their perversity was set.
- 44 But He saw their affliction, regarding their poor straits; He heard their shout to answer them, (a God so full of grace).
- 45 He remembered His sure covenant, the compact that He'd made; and sighed in His great kindness, to help them and to save.
- 46 He gave them great compassion, and their captors' mercy came; with pity for His people, from those carrying away.
- 47 O Lord save us and gather us, from nations where we've come; to give thanks to Your holy name, and praise our God as one.
- 48 Blessed be God of Israel, eternal Lord Whose heard; let all the tribes lift up their voice, "Amen and praise the Lord."