

Psalm 118

1. ¹O thank the LORD, for all his good - ness: his love en - dures for - ev - er - more!
 2. ⁵I sought the LORD in my af - flic - tion; he an - swered me and set me free.
 3. ⁸Far bet - ter is the LORD for ref - uge— bet - ter than put - ting trust in men.
 4. ¹²Though na - tions swarmed like bees a - round me; quick - ly, like thorns a - flame, they died.

²Let Is - r'el say in joy - ful chor - us: "His love en - dures for - ev - er - more!"
⁶The LORD is on my side; I fear not— what harm can man do un - to me?
⁹Far bet - ter is the LORD for ref - uge— bet - ter than trust - ing in a prince.
 For in the LORD's name I de - stroyed them; ¹³when I was crushed the LORD gave aid.

³O house of Aa - ron join your voic - es: "His love en - dures for - ev - er - more!"
⁷The LORD is on my side to help me; the LORD, my help - er, will a - vail.
¹⁰On ev' - ry side the na - tions hound - ed, but in God's name I cut them off.
¹⁴He has be - come my great sal - va - tion, my strength, my song— the LORD we bless.

⁴Let all who fear the LORD de - clare it: "His love en - dures for - ev - er - more!"
 I look up - on my foes in tri - umph; those hat - ing me will not pre - vail.
¹¹On ev' - ry side I was sur - round - ed, but in the LORD I cut them off.
¹⁵Glad songs of vic - t'ry and sal - va - tion dwell in the tents of right - eous - ness.

5. "The right hand of the LORD is mighty!
¹⁶The LORD's right hand is lifted high!
 The right hand of the LORD is mighty!
 His valiant arm is strong to fight!"
¹⁷I shall not die, but live, and praise him;
 his wondrous deeds I will profess.
¹⁸Though God has chastened me severely,
 he has not giv'n me up to death.

6. ¹⁹Open to me the gates of justice;
 open the gate of righteousness
 that I may enter them with gladness
 and show the LORD my thankfulness.
²⁰This is the gate the righteous enter,
 the gateway of the LORD our God.
²¹You have become my great salvation;
 you answered me and made me glad.

7. ²²The stone the builders had rejected
 now has become the cornerstone.
²³How marvelous to us this wonder;
 this is the work of God alone!
²⁴This is the day, the LORD has made it!
 Be glad in it, rejoice, and bless.
²⁵Save us, we pray, O LORD! Hosanna!
 O LORD, we pray, give us success.

8. ²⁶Blest he who in the LORD's name enters;
 we bless you from his holy house.
²⁷The LORD is God; he shines upon us.
 Bind up with cords your sacrifice.
 Bring to the altar's horns your offering.
²⁸You are my God whom I adore.
²⁹O thank the LORD for all his goodness,
 his love endures forevermore.