



KATHISMA 11

Psalm 77

A Psalm of Asaph. For Instruction.

Give ear O my people, to my law; Incline your ears to the words of My mouth.
2 I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings of old,
3 Which we have heard and known, and our fathers have told us.
4 We will not hide them from their children, showing to the generation to come the praises of the Lord, and His strength and His wonderful works that He has done.
5 For He established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which He commanded our fathers, that they should make them known to their children;
6 That the generation to come might know them, even the children who would be born, that they may arise and declare them to their children,
7 That they may set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep His commandments;
8 And may not be like their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation, a generation that did not set its heart aright, and whose spirit was not steadfast with God.
9 The children of Ephraim, being armed and carrying bows, turned back in the day of battle.
10 They kept not the covenant of God; They refused to walk in His law,

11 And forgot His works and His wonders that He had shone them.
12 Marvelous things He did in the sight of their fathers, in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.
13 He divided the sea and caused them to pass through; And He made the waters to stand up like a heap.
14 In the daytime He also led them with the cloud, and all the night with a light of fire.
15 He split the rocks in the wilderness, and gave them drink in abundance, like from great depths.
16 He also brought streams out of the rock, and caused waters to run down like rivers.
17 But they sinned even more against Him, by provoking the Most High in the wilderness.
18 And they tempted God in their heart by asking meat for their pleasure.
19 Yes, they spoke against God: They said, "Can God furnish a table in the wilderness?
20 Behold, He struck the rock, so that the waters gushed out, and the streams overflowed. Can He give bread also? Can He provide meat for His people?"
21 Therefore the Lord heard this and was furious; So a fire was kindled against Jacob, and anger also came up against Israel,
22 Because they did not believe in God, and did not trust in His salvation.
23 Though He had commanded the clouds above, and opened the doors of heaven,
24 Had rained manna on them to eat, and given them the bread of heaven.
25 Men ate angel's food; He sent them meat to the full.
26 He caused an east wind to blow in the heavens; And by His power He brought in the south wind.
27 He also rained meat on them like the dust, and feathered fowl like the sands of the seas;
28 And He let them fall in the midst of their camp, all around their habitation.
29 So they ate and were well filled, for He gave them their own desire.
30 They were not estranged of their lust; But while their food was still in their mouth,
31 The wrath of God came against them, and slew the stoutest of them, and struck down the chosen men of Israel.

32 In spite of this they still sinned, and did not believe in His wondrous works.

33 Therefore their days He consumed in futility, and their years in trouble.

34 When He slew them, then they sought Him; And they returned and sought diligently for God.

35 And they remembered that God was their rock, and the High God their redeemer.

36 Nevertheless they flattered Him with their mouth, and they lied to Him with their tongue;

37 For their heart was not steadfast with Him, nor were they faithful in His covenant.

38 But He, being full of compassion, forgave their iniquity, and did not destroy them. Yes, many a time He turned His anger away, and did not stir up all His wrath;

39 For He remembered that they were but flesh, a breath that passes away and does not come again.

40 How often they provoked Him in the wilderness, and grieved Him in the desert!

41 Yes, they turned back and tempted God, and provoked the Holy One of Israel.

42 They remembered not His powerful hand and the day when He redeemed them from the enemy,

43 How He worked His signs in Egypt, and His wonders in the field of Zoan;

44 And He turned their rivers into blood, and their streams, that they could not drink.

45 He sent swarms of dog flies among them, which devoured them, and frogs, which destroyed them.

46 He also gave their crops to the caterpillar, and their labor to the locust.

47 He destroyed their vines with hail, and their sycamore trees with frost.

48 He also gave up their cattle to the hail, and their flocks to hot thunderbolts.

49 He cast on them the fierceness of His anger, wrath, indignation, and trouble, by sending evil angels among them.

50 He made a way for His anger; He did not spare their soul from death, but gave their life over to the pestilence,

51 And destroyed all the firstborn in Egypt, The first of their strength in the tents of Ham.

52 But made His own people go forth like sheep, and guided them in the wilderness like a flock;

53 And He led them on safely, so that they feared not; But the sea overwhelmed their enemies.

54 And He brought them to the border of His sanctuary, this mountain which His right hand had acquired.

55 He cast out the nations before them, allotted them an inheritance by survey, and made the tribes of Israel dwell in their tents.

56 Yet they tested and provoked the Most High God, and kept not His testimonies,

57 But turned back and acted unfaithfully like their fathers; They were turned aside like a deceitful bow.

58 For they provoked Him to anger with their high places, and moved Him to jealousy with their carved images.

59 When God heard this, He was furious, and greatly abhorred Israel,

60 So that He forsook the tabernacle of Shiloh, the tent which He had placed among men,

61 And delivered His strength into captivity, and His glory into the enemy's hand.

62 He also gave His people over to the sword, and was furious with His inheritance.

63 The fire consumed their young men, and their maidens were not given in marriage.

64 Their priests fell by the sword, and their widows made no lamentation.

65 Then the Lord awoke as one out of sleep, and like a mighty man who has been heated with wine.

66 And He struck hard His enemies; He put them to a perpetual reproach.

67 Moreover He rejected the tabernacle of Joseph, and did not choose the tribe of Ephraim,

68 But chose the tribe of Judah, Mount Zion which He loved.

69 And He built His sanctuary on the highest, like the place of the unicorn, like the earth which He has established forever.

70 He also chose David His servant, and took him from the sheepfold;

71 From following the ewes that had young He brought him, to be the shepherd of Jacob His people, and Israel His inheritance.

72 So He tended them according to the integrity of his heart, and guided them by the skillfulness of his hands.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen; Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia glory to You O God (3x); Lord have mercy (3x); Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Psalm 78

A Psalm of Asaph.

O God, the nations have come into Your inheritance; Your holy temple they have defiled; They have laid Jerusalem in heaps.

2 The dead bodies of Your servants they have given as food for the birds of the heavens, the flesh of Your saints to the beasts of the earth.

3 Their blood they have shed like water all around Jerusalem, and there was no one to bury them.

4 We have become a reproach to our neighbors, a scorn and derision to those who are around us.

5 How long, Lord? Will You be angry forever? Will Your jealousy burn like fire?

6 Pour out Your wrath on the nations that do not know You, and on the kingdoms that do not call on Your name.

7 For they have devoured Jacob, and laid waste his dwelling place.

8 Oh, remember not former iniquities against us! Let Your tender mercies come speedily to meet us, for we have been brought very low.

9 Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of Your name; And deliver us, and provide atonement for our sins, for Your name's sake!

10 Why should the nations say, "Where is their God?" Let there be known among the nations in our sight the avenging of the blood of Your servants which has been shed.

11 Let the sighing of the prisoner come before You; According to the greatness of Your power preserve those who are appointed to die;

12 And return to our neighbors sevenfold into their bosom their reproach with which they reproached You, O Lord.

13 So we, Your people and sheep of Your pasture, will give You thanks forever; We will show forth Your praise to all generations.

Psalm 79

A psalm of Asaph. For the Chief Musician. A Psalm for the Assyrians.

Give ear, O shepherd of Israel, You who lead Joseph like a flock;
You Who dwell between the cherubim, shine forth!

2 Before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, stir up Your strength, and
come and save us!

3 Restore us, O God; Let Your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved!

4 O Lord God of hosts, how long will You be angry against the prayer of
Your people?

5 You have fed them with the bread of tears, and given them tears to drink
in great measure.

6 You have made us a strife to our neighbors, and our enemies laugh
among themselves.

7 Restore us, O God of hosts; Cause Your face to shine, and we shall be
saved!

8 You have brought a vine out of Egypt; You have cast out the nations,
and planted it.

9 You prepared room for it, and caused it to take deep root, and it filled
the land.

10 Its shadow covered the mountains, and its boughs are like the goodly
cedars.

11 She sent out her boughs to the sea, and her branches to the River.

12 Why then did You break down her hedges, so that all who pass by the
way pluck her fruit?

13 The boar out of the woods uproots it, and the wild beast of the field
devours it.

14 Return, we beseech You, O God of hosts; Look down from heaven and
see, and visit this vine,

15 And the vineyard which Your right hand has planted, and the branch
that You made strong for Yourself.

16 It is burned with fire, it is cut down; They perish at the rebuke of Your
countenance.

17 Let Your hand be upon the man of Your right hand, upon the Son of
Man whom You made strong for Yourself.

18 Then we will not turn back from You; Revive us and we will call upon
Your name.

19 Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; Cause Your face to shine upon us, and we shall be saved!

Psalm 80

A Psalm of Asaph. To the Chief Musician.

Sing aloud to God our strength; Make a joyful noise to the God of Jacob.

2 Take a psalm and strike the timbrel, the pleasant harp with the psaltery.

3 Blow the trumpet at the time of the New Moon, in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day.

4 For this is a statute for Israel, and a law of the God of Jacob.

5 This He established in Joseph for a testimony, when he went throughout the land of Egypt, where he heard a language that he did not understand.

6 I removed his shoulder from the burden; His hands were freed from making baskets.

7 You called in trouble, and I delivered you; I answered you in the secret place of thunder; I proved you at the waters of strife.

8 “Hear, O my people, and I will speak to you! O Israel, if you will listen to Me!

9 There shall be no foreign god among you; Nor shall you worship any foreign god.

10 I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt; Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.

11 But My people would not heed My voice, and Israel would have none of Me.

12 So I gave them over to their own stubborn heart, I let them walk in their own ways.

13 “Oh, that My people would listen to Me, that Israel would walk in My ways!

14 I should soon have subdued their enemies, and turned My hand against their adversaries.

15 The haters of the Lord should have submitted themselves to Him, but their fate would endure forever.

16 I should have fed them also with the finest of wheat; And with honey from the rock I should have satisfied them.”

***Glory** to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen; Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia glory to You O God (3x); Lord have mercy (3x); Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

Psalm 81*A Psalm of Asaph.*

God stands in the assembly of the mighty; He judges among the gods.

2 How long will You judge unjustly, and accept the person of the wicked?

3 Defend the poor and fatherless; Do justice to the afflicted and needy.

4 Deliver the poor and needy; Deliver them from the hand of the wicked.

5 They do not know, nor do they understand; They walk about in darkness; All the foundations of the earth are unstable.

6 I said, "You are gods, and all of you are children of the Most High.

7 But you shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes."

8 Arise, O God, judge the earth; For You shall inherit all nations!

Psalm 82*A Psalm of Asaph.*

O God, who shall be compared with You? Keep not Your silence, O God! Do not hold Your peace, and do not be still, O God!

2 For behold, Your enemies make a tumult; And those who hate You have lifted up their head.

3 They have taken crafty counsel against Your people, and consulted together against Your saints.

4 They have said, "Come and let us cut them off from being a nation, that the name of Israel may be remembered no more."

5 For they have consulted together with one consent; They have made an alliance against You;

6 The tents of Edom and the Ishmaelites; Moab and the Hagarites;

7 Gebal, Amon and Amalek; The Philistines also with the inhabitants of Tyre;

8 Assyria also has joined with them; They have helped the children of Lot.

9 Deal with them as unto the Midianites, as to Sisera, as to Jabin at the brook of Kishon,

10 Who perished at En Dor; they became as refuse on earth.

11 Make their nobles like Oreb and like Zeeb; Yes, all their princes like Zebah and Zalmunna,

12 Who said, "Let us take for ourselves the altar of God as a possession."
13 O my God, make them as a wheel, as the chaff before the wind!
14 As the fire burns the woods, and as the flames set the mountains on fire,
15 So pursue them with Your tempest, and frighten them with Your storm.
16 Fill their faces with shame, that they may seek Your name, O Lord.
17 Let them be confounded and troubled forever; Yes, Let them be put to shame and perish,
18 That men may know that You, Whose name alone is the Lord, are the Most High over all the earth.

Psalm 83

To the Chief Musician. For the Sons of Kore.

How pleasant are Your tabernacles, O Lord of hosts!
2 My soul longs, yes, even faints for the courts of the Lord; My heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.
3 Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, even Your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
4 Blessed are those who dwell in Your house; They will praise You evermore.
5 Blessed is the man whose strength is in You, in whose heart are Your ways, O Lord.
6 As they pass through the valley of weeping, they make it a spring of water; The rain also fills the pools.
7 They go from strength to strength; Every one of them appears before God in Zion.
8 O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; Give ear, O God of Jacob!
9 O God, our shield, behold and look upon the face of Your anointed.
10 For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.
11 For the Lord loves mercy and truth; The Lord will give grace and glory; No good thing will be withheld from them that walk uprightly.
12 O Lord of hosts, blessed is the man who trusts in You.

Psalm 84

To the Chief Musician. For the Sons of Kore.

Lord, You have been favorable to Your land; You have brought back the captivity of Jacob.

2 You have forgiven the iniquity of Your people; You have covered all their sins.

3 You have taken away all Your wrath; You have turned from the fierceness of Your anger.

4 Restore us, O God of our salvation, and cause Your anger toward us to cease.

5 Will You be angry with us forever? Will You prolong Your anger to all generations?

6 Will You not revive us again, that Your people may rejoice in You?

7 Show us Your mercy, O Lord, and grant us Your salvation.

8 I will hear what God the Lord will speak, for He will speak peace to His people and to His saints; But let them not turn again to folly.

9 Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him, that glory may dwell in our land.

10 Mercy and truth have met together; Righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

11 Truth shall spring out of the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

12 Yes, The Lord shall give that which is good; And our land shall yield its increase.

13 Righteousness will go before Him, and shall set us in the way of His steps.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen; Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia glory to You O God (3x); Lord have mercy (3x); Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Prayers after the Eleventh Kathisma

O Heavenly King, Comforter, Spirit of Truth, Who are present everywhere and fulfilling all things, Treasury of Blessings and Source of Life: Come abide in us, cleanse us of all stain, and save our souls, O Good One.

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us (3x)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

All Holy Trinity, have mercy on us. Lord, cleanse us of our sins. Master, pardon our transgressions. Holy One, visit and heal our infirmities, for the glory of Your name.

Lord, have mercy (3x).

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.

Come, let us worship God our King. Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ, our King. Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ Himself, our King and our God.

And these troparia, Tone 7:

Acquiring the healing remedy of repentance, O my soul, come weeping, sighing and crying out to the Physician of souls and bodies: Set me free, O Lover of Man, from my many transgressions; number me with the sinful woman, the thief and the publican. Grant me forgiveness of sins and save me.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

I have not emulated the publican's repentance, nor have I acquired the sinful woman's tears; for my blindness has made me ignorant of transformations such as theirs. But in Your tenderhearted mercy, save me, O Christ God, as You are the Lover of Mankind.

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Together with the heavenly Powers, O undefiled Virgin Theotokos, beseech your Son to grant us forgiveness of transgressions before the end, and great mercy.

Lord, have mercy (*40x*).

Shine the incorrupt Light of Your Divine Knowledge in our hearts, O Lord and Lover of Mankind; open our spiritual eyes to understand Your Gospel teachings; instill in us fear of Your blessed commandments, that trampling down all carnal desires, we may lead a spiritual life, thinking and doing all that is well-pleasing to You. For You are the enlightenment of our souls and bodies, O Christ God, and to You we ascribe glory, with Your unoriginate Father and Your all-holy, good and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

