



KATHISMA 7

Psalm 46

To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David for the Sons of Kore.

Clap your hands, all you peoples! Shout to God with the voice of triumph!

2 For the Lord Most High is terrible; He is a great King over all the earth.

3 He shall subdue the peoples under us, and the nations under our feet.

4 He shall choose our inheritance for us, the beauty of Jacob whom He loved.

5 God has gone up with a shout, The Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

6 Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

7 For God is the King of all the earth; Sing praises with understanding.

8 God reigns over the nations; God sits on His holy throne.

9 The princes of the people are gathered together, even the people of the God of Abraham. For the shields of the earth belong to God; He is greatly exalted.

Psalm 47*An Ode for the Sons of Kore.*

Great is the Lord , and greatly to be praised in the city of our God,
in His holy mountain.

2 Beautiful location, the joy of the whole earth is mount Zion, on the sides
of the north, the city of the great King.

3 God is in her palaces; He is known as her refuge.

4 For behold, the kings assembled, they passed by together.

5 They saw it and so they marveled; They were troubled, and hastened
away.

6 Fear took hold of them there, and pain as of a woman in travail,

7 As when You break the ships of Tars with an east wind.

8 As we have heard, so we have seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in
the city of our God: God will establish it forever.

9 We have thought of Your lovingkindness, O God, in the midst of Your
temple.

10 According to Your name, O God, so is Your praise to the ends of the
earth; Your right hand is full of righteousness.

11 Let Mount Zion rejoice, Let the daughters of Judah be glad, because of
Your judgments.

12 Walk about Zion, and go all around her. Count her towers;

13 Mark well her bulwarks; Consider her palaces; that you may tell it to
the generation following.

14 For this is God, our God forever and ever; He will be our guide even
to death.

Psalm 48*To the Chief Musician. A Psalm for the Sons of Kore.*

Hear this, all you peoples; Give ear all you inhabitants of the
world,

2 Both low and high, rich and poor together.

3 My mouth shall speak of wisdom, and the meditation of my heart shall
be of understanding.

4 I will incline my ear to a parable; I will open my dark saying on the
harp.

5 Why should I fear in the days of evil, when the iniquity at my heels
surrounds me?

6 Those who trust in their wealth and boast in the multitude of their riches,
7 None of them can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to God a ransom for him.

8 For the redemption of their souls is precious, and it ceases forever.

9 Though he should live and labor forever and not see corruption.

10 For he sees that wise men die; Likewise the fool and the senseless person perish, and leave their wealth to others.

11 Their inner thought is that their houses shall continue forever, and their dwelling places to all generations; They call their lands after their own names.

12 Nevertheless man, though in honor, does not remain; He is like the beasts that perish.

13 This is the way of those who are foolish; yet their posterity approve their sayings.

14 Like sheep they are laid in the grave; Death shall feed on them; The upright shall have dominion over them in the morning; and their beauty shall be consumed in the grave, from their dwelling.

15 But God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave, for He shall receive me.

16 Be not afraid when one is made rich, when the glory of his house is increased;

17 For when he dies he shall carry nothing away; His glory shall not descend after him.

18 Though while he lived he blessed his soul; And men will praise you when you do well for yourself ,

19 He shall go to the generation of his fathers; they shall never see light.

20 Man that is in honor, and does not understand, is like the beasts that perish.

***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 49*A Psalm of Asaph.*

The mighty God, even the Lord has spoken and called the earth from the rising of the sun unto the going down thereof.

2 Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God has shined.

3 Our God shall come and shall not keep silence; A fire shall devour before Him, and it shall be very tempestuous all around Him.

4 He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that He may judge His people:

5 “Gather My saints together to Me, those who made a covenant with Me by sacrifice.”

6 Let the heavens declare His righteousness, for God is judge Himself.

7 “Hear, O My people, and I will speak, O Israel, and I will testify against you; I am God, even your God!”

8 I will not reprove you for your sacrifices or your burnt offerings, which are continually before Me.

9 I will take not an ox from your house, nor goats out of your folds.

10 For every beast of the forest is Mine, and the cattle on a thousand hills.

11 I know all the fowls of the mountains, and the wild beasts of the field are Mine.

12 If I were hungry, I would not tell you; For the world is Mine, and all its fullness.

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

14 Offer to God thanksgiving, and pay your vows to the Most High;

15 And call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me.

16 But to the wicked God says: “What right have you to declare My statutes, or take My covenant in your mouth,

17 Seeing you hate instruction and cast My words behind you?

18 When you saw a thief, you consented with him, and have been a partaker with adulterers.

19 You give your mouth to evil, and your tongue frames deceit.

20 You sit and speak against your brother; You slander your own mother’s son.

21 These things you have done, and I kept silence; You thought that I was altogether like you; But I will reprove you, and set them in order before your eyes.

22 “Now consider this, you who forget God, lest I tear you in pieces, and

there be none to deliver:

23 Whoever offer praise glorifies Me; And to him who orders his conduct aright I will show the salvation of God.”

Psalm 50

To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David when the Prophet Nathan came to Him after His Sin with the Wife of Ur.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your loving-kindness; According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, blot out my transgressions.

2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

4 Against You, You only, have I sinned, and done this evil in Your sight, that You may be justified when You speak, and blameless when You judge.

5 Behold, I was brought forth in iniquities, and in sins my mother conceived me.

6 Behold, You love truth. You have showed me the secret and hidden things of Your wisdom.

7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

8 Make me to hear joy and gladness, that the bones that You have broken may rejoice.

9 Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

11 Cast me not away from Your presence, and do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.

12 Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with Your guiding Spirit.

13 Then I will teach transgressors the way to You, and sinners shall be converted to You.

14 Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, The God of my salvation, and my tongue shall joyfully declare Your righteousness.

15 Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall speak of Your praise.

16 For You do not desire sacrifice, or else I would give it; You do not

delight in burnt offering.

17 Sacrifices to God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, God will not despise.

18 Do good in Your good pleasure to Zion, and build the walls of Jerusalem.

19 Then You shall be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, oblation and whole-burnt offerings. Then they shall offer bulls on Your altar.

***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 51

To The Chief Musician. A Psalm of David when Doek the Idumean Came and Declared to Saul and Said to Him: David Has Come to the House of Abimelech.

Why do you boast in evil, O mighty man? The goodness of God endures continually.

2 Your tongue devises mischief, like a sharp razor, working deceitfully.

3 You love evil more than good, and lying rather than speaking righteousness.

4 You love all devouring words, you deceitful tongue.

5 God shall likewise destroy you forever; He shall take you away, and pluck you out of your dwelling place, and uproot you from the land of the living.

6 The righteous also shall see and fear, and shall laugh at him saying,

7 "Here is the man that made not God his strength, but trusted in the abundance of his riches, and strengthened himself in his wickedness."

8 But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God; I trust in the mercy of God forever and ever.

9 I will praise You forever, Because You have done it; And in the presence of Your saints I will wait on Your name, for it is good before your saints.

Psalm 52

A Psalm of David. To the Chief Musician, for the Maeleth, a musical instrument.

The fool has said in his heart, “there is no God.” They are corrupt and have done abominable iniquity; There is none who does good.
 2 God looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any who understand, who seek God.
 3 Every one of them has gone out of the way; They have all together become corrupt. There is none who does good. No, not one.
 4 Have the workers of iniquity no knowledge? Who eat up My people as they eat bread, and have not called upon God?
 5 There they were in great fear where no fear was; For God has scattered the bones of him who encamps against you; You have put them to shame, because God has despised them.
 6 Oh, that the salvation of Israel would come out of Zion! When God brings back the captivity of His people, Jacob shall rejoice and Israel be glad.

Psalm 53

A Psalm of David. To the Chief Musician. For String Instruments, when the Ziphites Came and Said to Saul: is not David Hidden with Us?

God save me, by Your name, and judge me by Your strength.
 2 Hear my prayer, O God; Give ear to the words of my mouth.
 3 For strangers are risen up against me, and oppressors seek after my soul; They have not set God before them.
 4 Behold, God is my helper; The Lord is with those who uphold my soul.
 5 He shall reward evil unto my enemies; And cut them off in His truth.
 6 I will freely sacrifice to You; I will praise Your name, O Lord, for it is good.
 7 For He has delivered me out of all trouble; And my eye has seen its desire upon my enemies.

Psalm 54

A Psalm of David. To the Chief Musician, for String Instruments.

God, hear my prayer; Do not hide from my petition.
 2 Attend to me, and hear me; I am grieved in my complaint, and troubled,

3 Because of the voice of the enemy, because of the oppression of the wicked; For they cast iniquity upon me, and in wrath they hate me.
4 My heart is severely pained within me, and the terrors of death have fallen upon me.
5 Fear and trembling came upon me, and horror has overwhelmed me.
6 And I said, "Oh, that I had wings like a dove! For then I would fly away and be at rest.
7 Indeed, I would wander far off, and remain in the wilderness.
8 I would hasten my escape from the windy storm and tempest."
9 Destroy, O Lord, and divide their tongues, for I have seen violence and strife in the city.
10 Day and night they go around it on its walls; Iniquity and trouble are also in the midst of it.
11 Destruction is in its midst; Deceit and guile do not depart from its streets
12 For it was not an enemy who reproached me; Then I could bear it. Nor was it one who hates me that did magnify himself against me; Then I could have hid from him.
13 But it was you, a man my equal, my guide and my acquaintance.
14 We took sweet counsel together, and walked to the house of God in company.
15 Let death seize them; Let them go down alive into hell, for wickedness is in their dwellings and among them.
16 As for me, I will call upon God, and the Lord shall save me.
17 Evening and morning and at noon I will pray and cry aloud, and He shall hear my voice.
18 He has redeemed my soul in peace from the battle which was against me, for there were many against me.
19 God shall hear and afflict them; Even He Who abides from of old. Because they do not change; Therefore they fear not God.
20 He has put forth his hands against those who were at peace with him; He has broken his covenant.
21 The words of his mouth were smoother than butter, but war was in his heart; His words were softer than oil, yet they were drawn swords.
22 Cast your burden on the Lord, and He shall sustain you; He shall never permit the righteous to be moved.
23 But You, O God, shall bring them down to the pit of destruction; Bloody and deceitful man shall not live out half their days; But I will trust in You.

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 Seventh 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 5:

The Judge will be seated and the angels will be present; the trumpet will sound and flames will burn. What will you do, O my soul, when you are led to the Judgment? For then all your wickedness will appear and your secret sins will be revealed. Wherefore before the end cry out to the Judge: Cleanse me, O God, and save me.

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

Let us all keep watch and go to meet Christ with much oil, with bright lamps, that we may be vouchsafed entrance into the Bridal Chamber; for he who reaches the closed doors will cry out aimlessly to God, have mercy on me.

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Lying on the bed of my sins, I have been robbed of my hope of salvation by the sleep of laziness, which has made my soul deserving of torment. But You, O God born of a Virgin, raise me up to sing of You, that I might give You glory.

Lord, have mercy (*40x*).

O Lord my God, as You are good and the Lover of Man, You have accomplished many mercies for me which I did not expect to behold. What shall I give in return for Your goodness, O Lord my Lord? I thank You for Your much-hymned Name; I thank You for Your inexpressible lovingkindness to me; I thank You for Your boundless longsuffering. From this time forth, O Master, help, defend and shelter me from sinning against You; for You know my unstable nature, You know my foolishness, You know what I have done—in knowledge and ignorance, willingly and unwillingly, by night or by day, in mind and thought—for You are the good God Who loves mankind. Cleanse me with the dew of Your mercy, greatly good Lord, and save me by judgments known to You, for Your holy Name's sake. For You are the Light, the Truth and the Life, and we ascribe glory to You-Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

