

THE HALLEL

PSALMS OF PRAISE FOR GOD'S SALVATION

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, who has sanctified us with Your commandments, made us holy through Your Holy One, Messiah Yeshua, and encouraged us to recite the Hallel psalms, which praise You for your great saving power in all situations!

PSALM 113

We praise God for being so great, yet able and willing to save the lowliest human being: Praise the Lord! Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of Adonai. Let the name of Adonai be praised, both now and forevermore. From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets the name of Adonai is to be praised. Adonai is exalted over all the nations, His glory above the Heavens!

Who is like the Lord our God, the One who sits enthroned on high, who stoops down to look on the Heavens and the Earth? He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap; He seats them with princes, with the princes of their people. He settles the barren woman in her home as a happy mother of children. Hallelu-Yah! Praise the Lord!

PSALM 114

We praise God for being so great that He could deliver Israel from our enslavement to the most powerful nation on Earth, part a sea and a river, and miraculously provide water from a rock, enough for all of us to drink: *When Israel came out of Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people of foreign tongue, Judah became God's sanctuary, Israel His dominion. The sea looked and fled, the Jordan turned back; the mountains skipped like rams, the hills like lambs. Why was it O sea that you fled, O Jordan that you turned back, you mountains that you skipped like rams, you hills like lambs? Tremble O Earth at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Jacob, who turned the rock into a pool, the hard rock into springs of water.*

PSALM 115

We praise God that salvation comes only from Him, the true God, the God of Israel: Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to Your name give glory because of Your love, because of Your truth. Why should the nations say, "where now is their God?" But our God is in the Heavens; He does whatever He pleases!

Their idols are silver and gold, the works of men's hands. They have mouths but they cannot speak; they have eyes but they cannot see; they have ears but they cannot hear; they have noses but they cannot smell; they have hands but they cannot feel; they have feet but they cannot walk; they cannot make a sound with their throat. Those who make them will become like them, everyone who trusts in them.

O Israel, trust in the Lord; He is their help and their shield. O house of Aaron, trust in the Lord; He is their help and their shield. You who fear the Lord, trust in the Lord; He is their help and their shield.

The Lord has been mindful of us; He will bless us; He will bless the house of Israel; He will bless the house of Aaron. He will bless those who fear the Lord, the small together with the great.

May the Lord give you increase, you and your children. May you be blessed of the Lord, Maker of Heaven and Earth. The Heavens are the Heavens of the Lord; but the Earth He has given to the sons of men.

*The dead do not praise the Lord, nor do any who go down into silence; but as for us, we will bless the Lord from this time forth and forever.
Hallelu-Yah! Praise the Lord!*

PSALM 116

We praise God that He is able to save us from the most desperate circumstances: I love Adonai because He hears my voice and my supplications. Because He has inclined His ear to me, therefore I shall call upon Him as long as I live. The cords of death encompassed me, and the terrors of Sheol came upon me; I found distress and sorrow. Then I called upon the name of Adonai; "O Lord I beseech You, save my life!"

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; yes our God is compassionate. The Lord preserves the simple; I was brought low, and He saved me. Return to your rest O my soul, for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you. For You have rescued my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling. I shall walk before the Lord in the land of the living. I believed when I said, "I am greatly afflicted." I said in my alarm, "all men are liars."

What shall I render to Adonai for all His benefits toward me? I shall lift up the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of Adonai. I shall pay my vows to Adonai, O may it be in the presence of all His people. Precious in the sight of Adonai is the death of His godly ones. O Lord, surely I am Your servant; I am Your servant, the son of Your handmaid; You have loosed my bonds.

To You I shall offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and call upon the name of the Lord. I shall pay my vows to the Lord, O may it be in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you O Jerusalem. Hallelu-Yah! Praise the Lord!

PSALM 117

We praise God that His salvation was designed to flow from Israel to the nations of the world: Praise Adonai, all you nations; extol Him, all you peoples!

For great is His love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Hallelu-Yah! Praise the Lord!

PSALM 118

We praise God for the ultimate salvation that is found in Messiah Yeshua, the Stone that the majority of the leaders of Israel rejected: Give thanks to Adonai, for He is good; His love endures forever. Let Israel say: "His love endures forever." Let the house of Aaron say: "His love endures forever." Let those who fear Adonai say: "His love endures forever."

In my anguish I cried to the Lord, and He answered by setting me free. The Lord is with me; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me? The Lord is with me; He is my helper. I will look in triumph on my enemies. It is better

to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in man. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes. All the nations surrounded me, but in the name of the Lord I cut them off. They surrounded me on every side, but in the name of the Lord I cut them off. They swarmed around me like bees, but they died out as quickly as burning thorns; in the name of the Lord I cut them off. I was pushed back and about to fall, but the Lord helped me. The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation!

Shouts of joy and victory resound in the tents of the righteous: the Lord's right hand has done mighty things! Adonai's right hand is lifted high; Adonai's right hand has done mighty things! I will not die but live, and will proclaim what Adonai has done. Adonai has chastened me severely, but He has not given me over to death.

Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter. I will give You thanks, for You answered me; You have become my salvation. The Stone the builders rejected has become the Cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Anah Adonai, ho-she-ah na!

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From the house of the Lord we bless you. The Lord is God, and He has made His light shine upon us. With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession up to the horns of the altar. You are my God, and I will give You thanks; You are my God, and I will exalt You. Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever!

Truly, O Lord our God, You are the only God who is able to intervene in history, and in our lives, and save in all situations. It is good to give thanks to You for your great saving power. Blessed are You, O Lord, the true God, and the One who saves!