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Psalms of Ascent

This little book is the result of a series of studies on the collection of Psalms commonly referred to as the "Psalms of Ascent" or "Songs of the Ascents" - Psalm 120 through 134. In what follows, you will find the Hebrew (based on the early edition of Biblia Hebraica with insight from the larger tradition) an English Translation (using the framework of the 1901 American Standard Version), and the Septuagint parallels. This edition also íncludes Lancelot C.L. Brenton's 1851 translation of the Septuagint. Numerous people should be acknowledged for the ongoing efforts to provide publically available translations and original sources for biblical study. For those interested in online sources that continue to provide access to historical sources such as the Hebrew Bible and the Greek Septuagint, the work of such groups like the Society of Biblical Literature, Mechon Mamre, Elpenor, and others cannot be ignored. I am grateful to those who took time to lay the foundations for my understanding of languages of the Bible and their translation.

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Songs of the Ascents

Psalm 120

ז שִׁיר הַמַּעֲלוֹת אֵל-יִהוָה בַּצָּרָתָה לִּי קַרָאתִי וַיַּעֲנָנִי:

- יהוָה הַצִּילָה וַפְשִׁי מִשְּׂפַת-שֶׁקֶר מִלְּשׁוֹן 2 רְמִיָּה:
- :מָן לְדָּ וּמַה-יֹּסִיף לָדְ לְשׁוֹן רְמִיָּה: 3
 - :חַצִּי גִבּוֹר שְׁנוּנִים עִם גַּחֲלֵי רְתָמִים
 - 5 אוֹנָה-לִי, כִּי-גַרְתִּי מֶשֶׁךְ שָׁכַנְּתִּי עִם-אָהָלֵי קֵדָר:
- :רַבַּת שָׁכְנָה-לָּה נַפְשִׁי עִם שׁוֹנֵא שָׁלוֹם
- :אַנִי-שָׁלוֹם וְכִי אֲדַבֵּר הֵמָּה לַמִּלְחָמָה

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A Song of the Ascents.

1 In my distress, I cried to Yahweh.

He answered me.

- 2 Deliver my soul, Yahweh, from lying lips, from a deceitful tongue.
- 3 What will be given to you, and what will be done more to you, you deceitful tongue?
- 4 Sharp arrows of the mighty, with coals of juniper.
- 5 Woe is me, that I live in Meshech, that I dwell among the tents of Kedar!
- 6 My soul has had her dwelling too long with him who hates peace.
- 7 am for peace, but when speak, they are for war.

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ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 120 [119]

'Οιδὴ τῶν ἀναβαθμῶν.

- Πρὸς κύριον ἐν τῷ θλίβεσθαί με ἐκέκραξα, καὶ εἰσήκουσέν μου.
- 2 κύριε, ἡῦσαι τὴν ψυχήν μου ἀπὸ χειλέων ἀδίκων καὶ ἀπὸ γλώσσης δολίας.
- 3 τί δοθείη σοι καὶ τί προστεθείη σοιπρὸς γλῶσσαν δολίαν;
- 4 τὰ βέλη τοῦ δυνατοῦ ἠκονημένα σὺν τοῖς ἄνθραξιν τοῖς ἐρημικοῖς.
- 5 οἴμμοι, ὅτι ἡ παροικία μου ἐμακρύνθη, κατεσκήνωσα μετὰ τῶν σκηνωμάτων Κηδαρ.
- 6 πολλὰ παρώκησεν ή ψυχή μου.
- 7 μετὰ τῶν μισούντων τὴν εἰρήνην ἤμην εἰρηνικός. ὅταν ἐλάλουν αὐτοῖς, ἐπολέμουν με δωρεάν.

120 [119]

A Song of Degrees.

- In mine affliction I cried to the Lord, and he hearkened to me. 2 Deliver my soul, O Lord, from unjust lips, and from a deceitful tongue.
- 3 What should be given to thee, and what should be added to thee, for [thy] crafty tongue? 4 Sharpened weapons of the mighty, with coals of the desert.
- 5 Woe is me, that my sojourning is prolonged; I have tabernacled among the tents of Kedar. 6 My soul has long been a sojourner; 7 I was peaceable among them that hated peace; when I spoke to them, they warred against me without a cause.

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ז שִׁיר לַמַּעֲלוֹת אֶשָׂא עֵינֵי אֶל-הֶהָרִים מֵאַיִן יָבֹא עֶזְרִי:

:עַזְרִי מֵעָם יְהוָה עֹשֵׁה שָׁמַיִם וָאָרֶץ:

:אַל-יָתֵן לַמּוֹט רַגְלֶךְ אַל-יָנוּם שֹׁמְרֶך:

:לא-יָנוּם וְלֹא יִישָׁן שׁוֹמֵר יִשְׂרָאֵל 4

:ן יְמִינֶך: יְמִינֶך: זְמִינֶך: זְמִינֶך: 5

יוֹמֶם הַשֶּׁמֶשׁ לֹא-יַכֶּכָּה וְיָרֵחַ בַּלְּיְלָה: 6

7 יְהוָה יִשְׁמָרְדְ מִכָּל-רָע יִשְׁמֹר אֶת-וַפְשֶׁדְ:

8 יְהוָה יִשְׁמָר-צֵאתְּהְ וּבוֹאֶּהְ מֵעַתָּה, וְעַד-עוֹלַם:

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A Song to the Ascents

1 | will lift up my eyes to the hills.

Where does my help come from?

2 My help comes from Yahweh, Maker of heaven and earth.

3 He will not allow your foot to be moved. He who keeps you will not slumber.

4 Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

5 Yahweh is your keeper.

Yahweh is your shade on your right hand.

6 The sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.

7 Yahweh will keep you from all evil.

He will keep your soul.

8 Yahweh will keep your going out and your coming in,

from this time forward, and forever more.

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ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 121 [120]

'Οιδὴ τῶν ἀναβαθμῶν.

- 1 ^{*}Ηρα τοὺς ὀφθαλμούς μου εἰς τὰ ὄρη Πόθεν ἥξει ἡ βοήθειά μου;
- 2 ἡ βοήθειά μου παρὰ κυρίουτοῦ ποιήσαντος τὸν οὐρανὸν καὶ τὴν γῆν.
- 3 μὴ δῷς εἰς σάλον τὸν πόδα σου, μηδὲ νυστάξῃ ὁ φυλάσσων σε.
- 4 ίδοὺ οὐ νυστάξει οὐδὲ ὑπνώσει ὁ φυλάσσων τὸν Ισραηλ.
- 5 κύριος φυλάξει σε,κύριος σκέπη σου ἐπὶ χεῖρα δεξιάν σου
- 6 ήμέρας ὁ ἥλιος οὐ συγκαύσει σε οὐδὲ ἡ σελήνη τὴν νύκτα.
- 7 κύριος φυλάξει σε ἀπὸ παντὸς κακοῦ, φυλάξει τὴν ψυχήν σου.
- κύριος φυλάξει τὴν εἴσοδόν σου καὶ τὴν ἔξοδόν σουἀπὸ τοῦ νῦν καὶ ἕως τοῦ αἰῶνος.

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A Song of Degrees.

I lifted up mine eyes to the mountains, whence my help shall come. 2 My help [shall come] from the Lord, who made the heaven and the earth. 3 Let not thy foot be moved; and let not thy keeper slumber. 4 Behold, he that keeps Israel shall not slumber nor sleep. 5 The Lord shall keep thee: the Lord is thy shelter upon thy right hand. 6 The sun shall not burn thee by day, neither the moon by night. 7 May the Lord preserve thee from all evil: the Lord shall keep thy soul. 8 The Lord shall keep thy coming in, and thy going out, from henceforth and even for ever.

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ז שִׁיר הַמַּצְלוֹת לְדָוִד שָׂמַחְתִּי בְּאֹמְרִים לִי בֵּית יְהוָה נֵלֵך:

- 2 עֹמְדוֹת הָיוּ רַגְלֵינוּ בִּשְׁעָרִיְדְ יְרוּשְׁלָם:
- :יְרוּשָׁלֵם הַבְּנוּיָה כְּעִיר שֶׁחֻבְּרָה-לָּה יַחְדָּו:
 - 4 שֶׁשֶׁם עָלוּ שְׁבָטִים שִׁבְטִי-יָה עֵדוּת לְשָׁם יְהוָה:
- 5 פִּי שָׁמָּה | יָשְׁבוּ כִסְאוֹת לְמִשְׁפָּ: כִּסְאוֹת לְמִשְׁפָּ: כִּסְאוֹת לְבִית דְּוִד:
 - :קַבְיִרְ אִהְבָיִרְ אַלְּוֹם יְרוּשָׁלָם יִשְׁלְיוּ אֹהְבָיִרְ 6
- :יְהִי-שָׁלוֹם בְּחֵילֵך שַׁלְוָה בְּאַרְמְנוֹתִיִּךְ
- :קַמַעַן אַחַי וְרַעָי אַדַבְּרָה-נָּא שָׁלוֹם בָּך
- :קַלְשָׁה טוֹב לְךְ: אָלֹהֵינוּ אֲבַקְשָׁה טוֹב לְךְ:

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A Song of the Ascents. By David.

- 1 | was glad when they said to me, "Let's go to Yahweh's house!"
- 2 Our feet are standing within your gates, Jerusalem;
 - 3 Jerusalem, that is built as a city that is compact together;
- 4 where the tribes go up, even the tribes of Yah, according to an ordinance for Israel, to give thanks to Yahweh's name.
- 5 For there are set thrones for judgment, the thrones of David's house.
- 6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem.
- Those who love you will prosper.

 7 Peace be within your walls,
- and prosperity within your palaces.
- 8 For the sake of my brothers and companions, I will now say, "Peace be within you."
 - 9 For the sake of the house of Yahweh our God,

| will seek your good.

ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 122 [121]

'Οιδὴ τῶν ἀναβαθμῶν.

- Εὐφράνθην ἐπὶ τοῖς εἰρηκόσιν μοι
 Εἰς οἶκον κυρίου πορευσόμεθα.
- 2 έστῶτες ἦσαν οἱ πόδες ἡμῶν ἐν ταῖς αὐλαῖς σου, Ιερουσαλημ.
- 3 Ιερουσαλημ οἰκοδομουμένη ὡς πόλις ής ἡ μετοχὴ αὐτῆς ἐπὶ τὸ αὐτό.
- 4 ἐκεῖ γὰρ ἀνέβησαν αἱ φυλαί, φυλαὶ κυρίου μαρτύριον τῷ Ισραηλ τοῦ ἐξομολογήσασθαι τῷ ὀνόματι κυρίου 5 ὅτι ἐκεῖ ἐκάθισαν θρόνοι εἰς κρίσιν,
- θρόνοι ἐπὶ οἶκον Δαυιδ.
- 6 έρωτήσατε δη τὰ εἰς εἰρήνην την Ιερουσαλημ,

καὶ εὐθηνία τοῖς ἀγαπῶσίν σε

- 7 γενέσθω δη εἰρηνη ἐν τῆ δυνάμει σου καὶ εὐθηνία ἐν ταῖς πυργοβάρεσίν σου.
- 8 ἕνεκα τῶν ἀδελφῶν μου καὶ τῶν πλησίον μου

έλάλουν δη είρηνην περί σοῦ:

9 ἕνεκα τοῦ οἴκου κυρίου τοῦ θεοῦ ἡμῶν ἐξεζήτησα ἀγαθά σοι.

122 [121]

A Song of Degrees.

I was glad when they said to me, Let us go into the house of the Lord. 2 Our feet stood in thy courts, O Jerusalem. 3
Jerusalem is built as a city whose fellowship is complete. 4 For thither the tribes went up, the tribes of the Lord, as a testimony for Israel, to give thanks unto the name of the Lord. 5
For there are set thrones for judgement, [even] thrones for the house of David.

6 Pray now for the peace of Jerusalem: and [let there be] prosperity to them that love thee. 7 Let peace, I pray, be within thine host, and prosperity in thy palaces. 8 For the sake of my brethren and my neighbours, I have indeed spoken peace concerning thee. 9 Because of the house of the Lord our God, I have diligently sought thy good.

1 שִׁיר הַפַּעְלוֹת אֵלֶיךָ נָשָׂאתִי אֶת-עֵינַי הַיֹשְׁבִי בַּשְׁמְיִם:

2 הְנֵה כְעֵינֵי עֲבָדִים אֶל-יַד אֲדוֹנֵיהֶם כְּעִינֵי שִׁפְחָה אֶל-יַד גְּבִרְתָּה כֵּן עֵינֵינוּ, אֶל-יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ עַד שֶׁיְחָנֵּנוּ:

3 קַנֵּנוּ יְהוָה חָנֵּנוּ כִּי-רַב שָׂבַעְנוּ בוּז:

4 רַבַּת שָׂבְעָה-לָה נַפְשׁנוּ הַלַעַג הַשַּׁאֲנַנִּים הַבּוּז לְגְאֵיוֹנִים :

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A Song of the Ascents.

1 To you lift up my eyes, you who sit in the heavens.

2 Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master,

as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress;

so our eyes look to Yahweh, our God, until he has mercy on us.

3 Have mercy on us, Yahweh, have mercy on us,

for we have endured much contempt.

4 Our soul is exceedingly filled with the scoffing of those who are at ease, with the contempt of the proud.

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ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 123 [122]

'Οιδὴ τῶν ἀναβαθμῶν.

- 1 Πρὸς σὲ ἦρα τοὺς ὀφθαλμούς μου τὸν κατοικοῦντα ἐν τῷ οὐρανῷ.
- ἰδοὺ ὡς ὀφθαλμοὶ δούλων εἰς χεῖρας τῶν κυρίων αὐτῶν,
- ώς ὀφθαλμοὶ παιδίσκης εἰς χεῖρας τῆς κυρίας αὐτῆς,
- οὕτως οἱ ὀφθαλμοὶ ἡμῶν πρὸς κύριον τὸν θεὸν ἡμῶν,

ἕως οὖ οἰκτιρήσαι ἡμᾶς.

- 3 ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς, κύριε, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς, ὅτι ἐπὶ πολὺ ἐπλήσθημεν ἐξουδενώσεως,
- 4 ἐπὶ πλεῖον ἐπλήσθη ἡ ψυχὴ ἡμῶν. τὸ ὅνειδος τοῖς εὐθηνοῦσιν,

καὶ ἡ έξουδένωσις τοῖς ὑπερηφάνοις.

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A Song of Degrees.

Unto thee who dwellest in heaven have I lifted up mine eyes. 2 Behold, as the eyes of servants [are directed] to the hands of their masters, [and] as the eyes of a maidservant to the hands of her mistress; so our eyes [are directed] to the Lord our God, until he have mercy upon us. 3 Have pity upon us, O Lord, have pity upon us: for we are exceedingly filled with contempt. 4 [Yea], our soul has been exceedingly filled [with it]: [let] the reproach [be] to them that are at ease, and contempt to the proud.

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1 שִׁיר הַמַּעְלוֹת לְדָוִד לוּלֵי יְהוָה שֶׁהָיָה לָנוּ יֹאמַר-נָא יִשְׂרָאֵל:

2 לוּלֵי יְהוָה שֶׁהָיָה לָנוּ בְּקוּם עָלֵינוּ אָדָם:

:אַזַי חַיִּים בְּלָעוּנוּ בַּחֲרוֹת אַפָּם בְּנוּ:

4 אָזֵי הַמַּיִם שְׁטָפוּנוּ נַחְלָה עָבַר עַל-נַפְשֵׁנוּ:

:אַזַי עָבַר עַל-נַפְשֵׁנוּ הַמַּיִם הַזֵּידוֹנִים

:בָרוּךְ יְהוָה שֶׁלֹּא וְתְנָנוּ טֶרֶף לְשְׁנֵיהֶם 6

7 נַפְשֵׁנוּ כְּצִפּוֹר נִמְלְטָה מִפַּח יוֹקְשִׁים: הַפַּח נִשְׁבָּר וַאֲנַחְנוּ נִמְלָטְנוּ:

:עָזְרֵנוּ בְּשֵׁם יְהוָה עֹשֵׂה שָׁמַיִם וָאָרֶץ:

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A Song of the Ascents. By David.

1 If it had not been Yahweh who was on our side,

let Israel now say,

2 if it had not been Yahweh who was on our side,

when men rose up against us;

3 then they would have swallowed us up alive, when their wrath was kindled against us;

4 then the waters would have overwhelmed us,

the stream would have gone over our soul;

5 then the proud waters would have gone over our soul.

6 Blessed be Yahweh,

who has not given us as a prey to their teeth.

7 Our soul has escaped like a bird out of the fowler's snare.

The snare is broken, and we have escaped.

8 Our help is in Yahweh's name, maker of heaven and earth.

ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 124 [123]

'Οιδὴ τῶν ἀναβαθμῶν.

- 1 Εἰ μὴ ὅτι κύριος ἦν ἐν ἡμῖν, εἰπάτω δὴ Ισραηλ,
- 2 εἰ μὴ ὅτι κύριος ἦν ἐν ἡμῖν ἐν τῷ ἐπαναστῆναι ἀνθρώπους ἐφ' ἡμᾶς,
- 3 ἄρα ζῶντας ἂν κατέπιον ἡμᾶς ἐν τῷ ὀργισθῆναι τὸν θυμὸν αὐτῶν ἐφ' ἡμᾶς'
- 4 ἄρα τὸ ὕδωρ κατεπόντισεν ἡμᾶς, χείμαρρον διῆλθεν ἡ ψυχὴ ἡμῶν'
- 5 ἄρα διῆλθεν ἡ ψυχὴ ἡμῶντὸ ὕδωρ τὸ ἀνυπόστατον.
- 6 εὐλογητὸς κύριος, ὃς οὐκ ἔδωκεν ἡμᾶς εἰς θήραν τοῖς ὀδοῦσιν αὐτῶν.
- 7 ή ψυχὴ ἡμῶν ὡς στρουθίον ἐρρύσθη ἐκ τῆς παγίδος τῶν θηρευόντων ἡ παγὶς συνετρίβη, καὶ ἡμεῖς ἐρρύσθημεν.
- 8 ἡ βοήθεια ἡμῶν ἐν ὀνόματι κυρίου τοῦ ποιήσαντος τὸν οὐρανὸν καὶ τὴν γῆν.

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A Song of Degrees.

If it had not been that the Lord was among us, let Israel now say; 2 if it had not been that the Lord was among us, when men rose up against us; 3 verily they would have swallowed us up alive, when their wrath was kindled against us: 4 verily the water would have drowned us, our soul would have gone under the torrent. 5 Yea, our soul would have gone under the overwhelming water.

6 Blessed be the Lord, who has not given us for a prey to their teeth. 7 Our soul has been delivered as a sparrow from the snare of the fowlers: the snare is broken, and we are delivered. 8 Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

1 ישיר הַמַּעְלוֹת הַבּטְחִים בַּיהוָה כְּהַר-צִיּוֹן לֹא-יִמּוֹט לְעוֹלָם יֵשֵׁב:

2 יְרוּשָׁלֵם הָרִים סָבִיב לָה וַיהוָה סָבִיב לְעַמּוֹ מֵעַתָּה וְעַד-עוֹלָם:

3 כִּי לֹא יָנוּחַ שֵׁבֶט הָרֶשַׁע עַל גּוֹרֵל הַצַּדִּיקִים לְמַעַן לֹא-יִשְׁלְחוּ הַצַּדִּיקִים בְּעַוְלָתָה יָדֵיהֵם:

4 הֵיטִיבָה יְהוָה לַטוֹבִים וְלִישָׁרִים בְּלִבּוֹתָם:

- אָקּקּקּלּוֹתָם יוֹלִיכֵם יְהוָה אֶת פּּצָלֵי הָאָנֶן

ישָׁלוֹם עַל-יִשְׂרָאֵל:

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A Song of the Ascents.

1 Those who trust in Yahweh are as Mount Zion,

which cannot be moved, but remains forever.

- 2 As the mountains surround Jerusalem,
- so Yahweh surrounds his people from this time forward and forever more.
- 3 For the scepter of wickedness won't remain over the allotment of the righteous;
- so that the righteous won't use their hands to do evil.
- 4 Do good, Yahweh, to those who are good, to those who are upright in their hearts.
- 5 But as for those who turn away to their crooked ways,
- Yahweh will lead them away with the workers of iniquity.

Peace be on Israel.

ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 125 [124]

'Οιδὴ τῶν ἀναβαθμῶν.

- Οἱ πεποιθότες ἐπὶ κύριον ὡς ὄρος Σιων'
 οὐ σαλευθήσεται εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα ὁ κατοικῶν
 Ιερουσαλημ.
- ὄρη κύκλῳ αὐτῆς,
 καὶ κύριος κύκλῳ τοῦ λαοῦ αὐτοῦ ἀπὸ τοῦ νῦν καὶ ἕως τοῦ αἰῶνος.
- 3 ὅτι οὐκ ἀφήσει τὴν ῥάβδον τῶν ἁμαρτωλῶν ἐπὶ τὸν κλῆρον τῶν δικαίων, ὅπως ἂν μὴ ἐκτείνωσιν οἱ δίκαιοι ἐν ἀνομίᾳ χεῖρας αὐτῶν.
- 4 ἀγάθυνον, κύριε, τοῖς ἀγαθοῖς καὶ τοῖς εὐθέσι τῆ καρδίᾳ:
 5 τοὺς δὲ ἐκκλίνοντας εἰς τὰς στραγγαλιὰς ἀπάξει κύριος μετὰ τῶν ἐργαζομένων τὴν ἀνομίαν.

εἰρήνη ἐπὶ τὸν Ισραηλ.

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A Song of Degrees.

They that trust in the Lord [shall be] as mount Sion: he that dwells in Jerusalem shall never be moved. 2 The mountains are round about her, and [so] the Lord is round about his people, from henceforth and even for ever. 3 For the Lord will not allow the rod of sinners to be upon the lot of the righteous; lest the righteous should stretch forth their hands to iniquity.

4 Do good, O Lord, to them [that are] good, and to them [that are] upright in heart. 5 But them that turn aside to crooked ways the Lord will lead away with the workers of iniquity: [but] peace [shall be] upon Israel.

1 שִׁיר הַמַּעֲלוֹת בְּשׁוּב יְהוָה אֶת-שִׁיבַת צִיּוֹן הָיִינוּ כְּחֹלְמִים:

- 2 אָז יִמְּלֵא שְׂחוֹק, פִּינוּ וּלְשׁוֹנֵנוּ רְנָּה אָז יֹאמְרוּ בַגּוֹיִם הִגְּדִּיל יְהוָה לַעֲשׁוֹת עִם-אֵלֶה:
 - 3 הגְדִּיל יְהוָה לַעֲשׁוֹת עִמְּנוּ הָיִינוּ שְׂמֵחִים:
 - 4 שׁוּבָה יְהוָה אֶת-שבותנו (שְׁבִיתֵנוּ) כַּאֲפִיקִים בַּנֶּגֶב:
 - : הַזּרְעִים בְּדִמְעָה בְּרִנְּה יִקְצֹרוּ:
 - 6 הָלוֹךְ יֵלֶךְ | וּבָכֹה נִשֵּׂא מֶשֶׁךְ-הַזְּרַע בֹא-יָבֹא בְרָנָּה נִשֵּׂא אֲלָמֹתָיו:

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A Song of the Ascents.

1 When Yahweh brought back those who returned to Zion,

we were like those who dream.

2 Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing.

Then they said among the nations,

- "Yahweh has done great things for them."
- 3 Yahweh has done great things for us, and we are glad.
- 4 Restore our fortunes again, Yahweh, like the streams in the Negev.
- 5 Those who sow in tears will reap in joy.6 He who goes out weeping, carrying seed for sowing,
- will certainly come again with joy, carrying his sheaves.

Psalms of Ascent

ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 126 [125]

'Οιδὴ τῶν ἀναβαθμῶν.

- 1 Έν τῷ ἐπιστρέψαι κύριον τὴν αἰχμαλωσίαν Σιων ἐγενήθημεν ὡς παρακεκλημένοι.
- 2 τότε ἐπλήσθη χαρᾶς τὸ στόμα ἡμῶν καὶ ἡ γλῶσσα ἡμῶν ἀγαλλιάσεως. τότε ἐροῦσιν ἐν τοῖς ἔθνεσιν Ἐμεγάλυνεν κύριος τοῦ ποιῆσαι μετ' αὐτῶν.
- 3 ἐμεγάλυνεν κύριος τοῦ ποιῆσαι μεθ'ἡμῶν,

έγενήθημεν εὐφραινόμενοι.

- 4 ἐπίστρεψον, κύριε, τὴν αἰχμαλωσίαν ἡμῶν ὡς χειμάρρους ἐν τῷ νότῳ.
- 5 οἱ σπείροντες ἐν δάκρυσινἐν ἀγαλλιάσει θεριοῦσιν.
- 6 πορευόμενοι ἐπορεύοντο καὶ ἔκλαιον αἴροντες τὰ σπέρματα αὐτῶν' ἐρχόμενοι δὲ ἥξουσιν ἐν ἀγαλλιάσει αἴροντες τὰ δράγματα αὐτῶν.

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A Song of Degrees.

When the Lord turned the captivity of Sion, we became as comforted ones. 2
Then was our mouth filled with joy, and our tongue with exultation: then would they say among the Gentiles,
The Lord has done great things among them. 3 The Lord has done great things for us, we became joyful.

4 Turn, O Lord, our captivity, as the steams in the south. 5 They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. 6 They went on and wept as they cast their seeds; but they shall surely come with exultation, bringing their sheaves [with them].

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1 שִׁיר הַמַּעֲלוֹת, לִשְׁלֹמֹה אִם-יְהוָה | לֹא-יִבְנֶה בַיִת שָׁוְא | עָמְלוּ בוֹנֶיו בּוֹ אִם-יְהוָה לֹא-יִשְׁמָר-עִיר שָׁוְא | שָׁקַד שׁוֹמֵר:

- 2 שַׁוְא לָכֶם | מַשְׁכִּימֵי קוּם מְאַחֲרֵי-שֶׁבֶת אֹכְלֵי לֶחֶם הָעֲצְבִים כֵּן יִתֵּן לִידִידוֹ שֵׁנָא:
 - 3 הְּנֵה נַחֲלַת יְהוָה בְּנִים שָׂכֶר פְּרִי הַבָּטֶן:
 - :בְּעוּרִים בְּיַד-גִּבּוֹר כֵּן בְּנֵי הַנְּעוּרִים 4
 - 5 אַשְׁרֵי הַגֶּבֶר אֲשֶׁר מִלֵּא אֶת-אַשְׁפְּתוֹ מֻהָם

ַלֹא-וֵבשׁוּ כִּי-יְדַבְּרוּ אֶת-אוֹיְבִים בַּשְּׁעַר:

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A Song of the Ascents. By Solomon.

1 Unless Yahweh builds the house, they who build it labor in vain.

Unless Yahweh watches over the city, the watchman guards it in vain.

- 2 It is vain for you to rise up early, to stay up late, eating the bread of toil; for he gives sleep to his loved ones.
- 3 Behold, children are a heritage of Yahweh.

The fruit of the womb is his reward.

- 4 As arrows in the hand of a mighty man, so are the children of youth.
- 5 Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them.
- They won't be disappointed when they speak with their enemies in the gate.

ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 127 [126]

'Οιδὴ τῶν ἀναβαθμῶν' τῷ Σαλωμων.

1 'Εὰν μὴ κύριος οἰκοδομήση οἶκον,
εἰς μάτην ἐκοπίασαν οἱ οἰκοδομοῦντες
αὐτόν'

ἐὰν μὴ κύριος φυλάξῃ πόλιν, εἰς μάτην ἠγρύπνησεν ὁ φυλάσσων.

- 2 εἰς μάτην ὑμῖν ἐστιν τοῦ ὀρθρίζειν, ἐγείρεσθαι μετὰ τὸ καθῆσθαι, οἱ ἔσθοντες ἄρτον ὀδύνης, ὅταν δῷ τοῖς ἀγαπητοῖς αὐτοῦ ὅπνον.
- 3 ἰδοὺ ἡ κληρονομία κυρίου υἱοί,ὁ μισθὸς τοῦ καρποῦ τῆς γαστρός.
- 4 ώσεὶ βέλη ἐν χειρὶ δυνατοῦ, οὕτως οἱ υἱοὶ τῶν ἐκτετιναγμένων.
- 5 μακάριος ἄνθρωπος, ὃς πληρώσει τὴνἐπιθυμίαν αὐτοῦ ἐξ αὐτῶν'
- οὐ καταισχυνθήσονται, ὅταν λαλῶσι τοῖς ἐχθροῖς αὐτῶν ἐν πύλη.

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A Song of Degrees.

Except the Lord build the house, they that build labour in vain: except the Lord keep the city, the watchman watches in vain. 2 It is vain for you to rise early: ye rise up after resting, ye that eat the bread of grief; while he gives sleep to his beloved.

3 Behold, the inheritance of the Lord, children, the reward of the fruit of the womb. 4 As arrows in the hand of a mighty man; so are the children of those who were outcasts. 5 Blessed is the man who shall satisfy his desire with them: they shall not be ashamed when they shall speak to their enemies in the gates.

1 שִׁיר הַמַּעְלוֹת אַשְׁרֵי כָּל-יְרֵא יְהוָה הַהֹלֵךְ בִּדְרָכִיו:

:קינעַ כַּפֶּיך כִּי תֹאכֵל אַשְׁרֶיךְ, וְטוֹב לְךְ:

3 אָשְׁתְּדְ כְּגֶפֶן פּׂרִיָּה בְּיַרְכְּתֵי בֵיתֶדְ בָּנֶידְ כִּשְׁתִלֵּי זֵיתִים סָבִיב לְשִׁלְחָנֶדְ:

4 הַנָּה כִי-כֵן יְבֹרַדְ גָּבֶר יְרֵא יְהוָה:

5 יְבַרֶּכְדְ יְהוָה מִצִּיּוֹןוּרְאֵה בְּטוּב יְרוּשְׁלָם כֹּל יְמֵי חַיֶּידְ:

ּרְאֵה-בָנִים לְבָנֶיך: 6

יַשְׁלוֹם, עַל-יִשְׂרָאֵל:

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A Song of the Ascents.

1 Blessed is everyone who fears Yahweh, who walks in his ways.

2 For you will eat the labor of your hands. You will be happy, and it will be well with you.

3 Your wife will be as a fruitful vine, in the innermost parts of your house; your children like olive plants, around your table.

4 Behold, thus is the man blessed who fears Yahweh.

5 May Yahweh bless you out of Zion, and may you see the good of Jerusalem all the days of your life.

6 Yes, may you see children of your children.

Peace be upon Israel.

ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 128 [127]

'Οιδὴ τῶν ἀναβαθμῶν.

- 1 Μακάριοι πάντες οἱ φοβούμενοι τὸν κύριον οἱ πορευόμενοι ἐν ταῖς ὁδοῖς αὐτοῦ.
- 2 τοὺς πόνους τῶν καρπῶν σου φάγεσαι μακάριος εἶ, καὶ καλῶς σοι ἔσται.
- 3 ή γυνή σου ὡς ἄμπελος εὐθηνοῦσα ἐν τοῖς κλίτεσι τῆς οἰκίας σου οἱ υἱοί σου ὡς νεόφυτα ἐλαιῶν κύκλῷ τῆς τραπέζης σου.
- 4 ίδοὺ οὕτως εὐλογηθήσεται ἄνθρωπος ὁ φοβούμενος τὸν κύριον.
- 5 εὐλογήσαι σε κύριος ἐκ Σιων, καὶ ἴδοις τὰ ἀγαθὰ Ιερουσαλημ πάσας τὰς ἡμέρας τῆς ζωῆς σου 6 καὶ ἴδοις υἱοὺς τῶν υἱῶν σου.

εἰρήνη ἐπὶ τὸν Ισραηλ.

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A Song of Degrees.

Blessed are all they that fear the Lord; who walk in his ways. 2 Thou shalt eat the labours of thy hands: blessed art thou, and it shall be well with thee. 3 Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine on the sides of thy house: thy children as young olive-plants round about thy table.

4 Behold, thus shall the man be blessed that fears the Lord. 5 May the Lord bless thee out of Sion; and mayest thou see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of thy life. 6 And mayest thou see thy children's children. Peace be upon Israel.

1 שִׁיר הַמַּעֲלוֹת רַבַּת צְרָרוּנִי מִנְּעוּרֵי יֹאמַר-נָא יִשְׂרָאֵל:

:יַכְלוּ לִי-בָת צְרָרוּנִי מִנְעוּרָי גַם לֹא-יָכְלוּ לִי

3 עַל-גַּבִּי חָרְשׁוּ חֹרְשִׁים הָאֱרִיכוּ למענותם (לְמַעֲנִיתָם):

יהנה צַדִּיק קצֵץ עֲבוֹת רְשָׁעִים: 4

: יבשוּ וִיִסגוּ אַחוֹר כֹּל שֹנָאֵי צִיּוֹן:

יָהְיוּ כַּחֲצִיר גַּגּוֹת שֶׁקַדְמַת שָׁלַף יָבֵשׁ: 6

: שֶׁלֹא מִלֵּא כַפּוֹ קוֹצֵר וְחִצְנוֹ מְעַמֵּר

8 וְלֹא אָמְרוּ הָעֹבְרִים בִּרְכַּת-יְהוָה אֲלֵיכֶם בַּרַכְנוּ אֶתְכֶם, בְּשֵׁם יְהוָה:

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A Song of the Ascents.

1 Many times they have afflicted me from my youth on up.

Let | srael now say,

2 many times they have afflicted me from my youth on up,

yet they have not prevailed against me.

3 The plowers plowed on my back.

They made their furrows long.

4 Yahweh is righteous.

He has cut apart the cords of the wicked.

5 Let them be disappointed and turned backward,

all those who hate Zion.

6 Let them be as the grass on the housetops, which withers before it grows up;

7 with which the reaper doesn't fill his hand, nor he who binds sheaves, his bosom.

8 Neither do those who go by say,

"The blessing of Yahweh be on you.

We bless you in Yahweh's name."

ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 129 [128]

'Οιδὴ τῶν ἀναβαθμῶν.

- 1 Πλεονάκις ἐπολέμησάν με ἐκ νεότητός μου, εἰπάτω δὴ Ισραηλ,
- 2 πλεονάκις ἐπολέμησάν με ἐκ νεότητός μου, καὶ γὰρ οὐκ ἠδυνήθησάν μοι.
- 3 ἐπὶ τοῦ νώτου μου ἐτέκταινον οἱ ἁμαρτωλοί, ἐμάκρυναν τὴν ἀνομίαν αὐτῶν
- 4 κύριος δίκαιος συνέκοψεν αὐχένας ἁμαρτωλῶν.
- 5 αἰσχυνθήτωσαν καὶ ἀποστραφήτωσαν εἰς τὰ ὀπίσω

πάντες οἱ μισοῦντες Σιων.

- 6 γενηθήτωσαν ώς χόρτος δωμάτων,
- δς πρό τοῦ ἐκσπασθῆναι ἐξηράνθη:
- 7 οὖ οὐκ ἐπλήρωσεν τὴν χεῖρα αὐτοῦ ὁ θερίζων
- καὶ τὸν κόλπον αὐτοῦ ὁ τὰ δράγματα συλλέγων,
- 8 καὶ οὐκ εἶπαν οἱ παράγοντες Εὐλογία κυρίου ἐφ' ὑμᾶς,
- εὐλογήκαμεν ὑμᾶς ἐν ὀνόματι κυρίου.

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A Song of Degrees.

- Many a time have they warred against me from my youth, let Israel now say: 2
 Many a time have they warred against me from my youth: and yet they prevailed not against me. 3 The sinners wrought upon my back: they prolonged their iniquity. 4 The righteous Lord has cut asunder the necks of sinners.
- 5 Let all that hate Sion be put to shame and turned back. 6 Let them be as the grass of the house-tops, which withers before it is plucked up. 7 Wherewith the reaper fills not his hand, nor he that makes up the sheaves, his bosom. 8 Neither do they that go by say, The blessing of the Lord be upon you: we have blessed you in the name of the Lord.

ז שִׁיר הַמַּעֲלוֹת מִמַעֲמַקִים קְרָאתִיך יְהוָה:

- 2 אַדֹנִי שִׁמְעָה בְקוֹלִיתִּהְנִינָה אָזְנֶיךְ קַשֵּׁבוֹת לְקוֹל תַּחֲנוּנְי:
- :אָב-עֲוֹנוֹת תִּשְׁמֶר-יָה אֲדֹנָי מִי יַעֲמֹד:
 - :עּוְרָא: לְמַעַן תִּנְרֵא: 4
 - 5 קוִיתִי יְהוָה קוְּתָה נַפְיֹשִׁי וְלִדְבָרוֹ הוֹחֶלְתִּי:
- 6 נַפְשִׁי לַאדֹנָי מִשֹּמְרִים לַבּקֶר שֹׁמְרִים לַבּקֶר:
 - 7 יַחֵל יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶל-יְהוָה כִּי-עִם-יְהוָה הַחֶסֶד וְהַרְבֵּה עִמּוֹ פְדוּת:
- ! וְהוּא יִפְּדֶה אֶת-יִשְׂרָאֵל מִכֹּל, עֲוֹנֹתְיו:

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A Song of the Ascents.

- 1 Out of the depths | have cried to you, Yahweh.
- 2 Lord, hear my voice.
- Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my petitions.
- 3 If you, Yah, kept a record of sins, Lord, who could stand?
- 4 But there is forgiveness with you, therefore you are feared.
- 5 | wait for Yahweh.

My soul waits.

I hope in his word.

6 My soul longs for the Lord more than watchmen long for the morning; more than watchmen for the morning.

7 Israel, hope in Yahweh, for with Yahweh there is loving kindness. With him is abundant redemption.

8 He will redeem Israel from all their sins.

ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 130 [129]

'Οιδὴ τῶν ἀναβαθμῶν.

- 1 Έκ βαθέων ἐκέκραξά σε, κύριε
- 2 κύριε, εἰσάκουσον τῆς φωνῆς μου γενηθήτω τὰ ὧτά σου προσέχοντα εἰς τὴν φωνὴν τῆς δεήσεώς μου.
- 3 ἐὰν ἀνομίας παρατηρήση, κύριε,κύριε, τίς ὑποστήσεται;
- 4 ὅτι παρὰ σοὶ ὁ ἱλασμός ἐστιν.
- 5 ἕνεκεν τοῦ νόμου σου ὑπέμεινά σε, κύριε, ὑπέμεινεν ἡ ψυχή μου εἰς τὸν λόγον σου.
- 6 ἤλπισεν ἡ ψυχή μου ἐπὶ τὸν κύριον ἀπὸ φυλακῆς πρωίας μέχρι νυκτός ἀπὸ φυλακῆς πρωίας ἐλπισάτω Ισραηλ ἐπὶ τὸν κύριον.
- 7 ὅτι παρὰ τῷ κυρίῳ τὸ ἔλεος,
 καὶ πολλὴ παρ' αὐτῷ λύτρωσις,
 καὶ αὐτὸς λυτρώσεται τὸν Ισραηλ
 ἐκ πασῶν τῶν ἀνομιῶν αὐτοῦ.

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A Song of Degrees.

Out of the depths have I cried to thee, O
Lord. 2 O Lord, hearken to my voice;
let thine ears be attentive to the voice
of my supplication. 3 If thou, O Lord,
shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord,
who shall stand? 4 For with thee is
forgiveness: 5 for thy name's sake have
I waited for thee, O Lord, my soul has
waited for thy word. 6 My soul has
hoped in the Lord; from the morning
watch till night.

7 Let Israel hope in the Lord: for with the Lord is mercy, and with him is plenteous redemption. 8 And he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

Songs of the Ascents

Psalm 131

1 שִׁיר הַמַּעֲלוֹת, לְדָוִד יְהוָה | לֹא-גָבַהּ לִבִּי וְלֹא-רָמוּ עֵינֵי וְלֹא-הִלַּכְתִּי | בִּגְדֹלוֹת וּבְנִפְלָאוֹת מִמֶּנִּי: 2 אִם-לֹא שִׁוִּיתִי | וְדוֹמֵמְתִּי נַפְשִׁי בְּגָמֵל, עֲלֵי אִמּוֹ כַּגָּמֵל עֲלֵי נַפְשִׁי:

2 יַחֵל יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶל-יְהוָה מֵעַתָּה וְעַד-עוֹלָם:

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A Song of the Ascents. By David.

1 Yahweh, my heart isn't arrogant, nor my eyes lofty;

nor do I concern myself with great matters, or things too wonderful for me.

2 Surely I have stilled and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with his mother, like a weaned child is my soul within me.

3 Israel, hope in Yahweh, from this time forward and forever more.

Psalms of Ascent

ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 131 [130]

'Οιδὴ τῶν ἀναβαθμῶν' τῷ Δαυιδ.

- 1 Κύριε, οὐχ ὑψώθη μου ἡ καρδία, οὐδὲ ἐμετεωρίσθησαν οἱ ὀφθαλμοί μου, οὐδὲ ἐπορεύθην ἐν μεγάλοις οὐδὲ ἐν θαυμασίοις ὑπὲρ ἐμέ.
- 2 εἰ μὴ ἐταπεινοφρόνουν,ἀλλὰ ὕψωσα τὴν ψυχήν μουὡς τὸ ἀπογεγαλακτισμένον ἐπὶ τὴν μητέρα αὐτοῦ,

ώς ἀνταπόδοσις ἐπὶ τὴν ψυχήν μου.

3 ἐλπισάτω Ισραηλ ἐπὶ τὸν κύριον ἀπὸ τοῦ νῦν καὶ ἕως τοῦ αἰῶνος.

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A Song of Degrees.

O Lord, my heart is not exalted, neither have mine eyes been [haughtily] raised: neither have I exercised myself in great [matters], nor in things too wonderful for me. 2 [I shall have sinned] if I have not been humble, but have exulted my soul: according to [the relation of] a weaned child to his mother, so wilt thou recompense my soul. 3 Let Israel hope in the Lord, from henceforth and for ever.

ז שִׁיר הַמַּעֲלוֹת זְכוֹר-יְהוָה לְדָוִד אֵת כָּל-אֲנּוֹתוֹ:

:יַעֲקֹב יַשְבַע לִיהוָה נָדַר לַאֲבִיר יַעֲקֹב 2

3 אִם-אָבֹא בְּאֹהֶל בֵּיתִי אִם-אָעֶלֶה עַל-עֶרֶשׂ יְצוּעָי:

:אָהֵן שְׁנַת לְעֵינָי לְעַפְעַפַּי תְּנוּמָה 4

5 עַד-אָמְצָא מָקוֹם לַיהוָה מִּשְׁכָּנוֹת לַאֲבִיר יַעֲקֹב:

6 הַנֵּה-שְׁמַעֲנוּהָ בְאֶפְרָתָה מְצָאנוּהָ בִּשְׂדֵי-יָעַר:

> 7 נָבוֹאָה לְמִשְׁכְּנוֹתִיו נִשְׁתַּחֲוֶה לַהָּדֹם רַגְּלָיו:

8 קוּמָה יְהוָה לִמְנוּחָתֶךְ אַתָּה וַאַרוֹן עֵזֶּךְ:

9 כֹּהַנֶּיך יִלְבְשׁוּ-צֶּדֶק וַחֲסִידֶיך יְרַנֵּנוּ:

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A Song of the Ascents.

1 Yahweh, remember David and all his affliction,

2 how he swore to Yahweh, and vowed to the Mighty One of Jacob:

3 "Surely | will not come into the structure of my house,

nor go up into my bed;

4 | will not give sleep to my eyes, or slumber to my eyelids;

5 until I find out a place for Yahweh, a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob."

6 Behold, we heard of it in Ephrathah.

We found it in the field of Jaar:

7 "We will go into his dwelling place.

We will worship at his footstool.

8 Arise, Yahweh, into your resting place; you, and the ark of your strength.

9 Let your priests be clothed with righteousness.

Let your saints shout for joy!"

ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 132 [131]

'Οιδὴ τῶν ἀναβαθμῶν.

- Μνήσθητι, κύριε, τοῦ Δαυιδ
 καὶ πάσης τῆς πραΰτητος αὐτοῦ,
- ώς ὤμοσεν τῷ κυρίῳ,
 ηὔξατο τῷ θεῷ Ιακωβ
- 3 Εἰ εἰσελεύσομαι εἰς σκήνωμα οἴκου μου, εἰ ἀναβήσομαι ἐπὶ κλίνης στρωμνῆς μου,
- 4 εἰ δώσω ὕπνον τοῖς ὀφθαλμοῖς μου καὶ τοῖς βλεφάροις μου νυσταγμὸν καὶ ἀνάπαυσιν τοῖς κροτάφοις μου,
- 5 ἕως οὖ εὕρω τόπον τῷ κυρίῳ,σκήνωμα τῷ θεῷ Ιακωβ.
- 6 ἰδοὺ ἠκούσαμεν αὐτὴν ἐν Εφραθα,
 εὕρομεν αὐτὴν ἐν τοῖς πεδίοις τοῦ δρυμοῦ
 7 εἰσελευσόμεθα εἰς τὰ σκηνώματα αὐτοῦ,
 προσκυνήσομεν εἰς τὸν τόπον, οὖ ἔστησαν οἱ πόδες αὐτοῦ.
- 8 ἀνάστηθι, κύριε, εἰς τὴν ἀνάπαυσίν σου,
 σὸ καὶ ἡ κιβωτὸς τοῦ ἁγιάσματός σου
 9 οἱ ἱερεῖς σου ἐνδύσονται δικαιοσύνην,
 καὶ οἱ ὅσιοί σου ἀγαλλιάσονται.

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A Song of Degrees.

Lord, remember David, and all his meekness: 2 how he sware to the Lord, [and] vowed to the God of Jacob, [saying], 3 I will not go into the tabernacle of my house; I will not go up to the couch of my bed; 4 I will not give sleep to mine eyes, nor slumber to mine eyelids, nor rest to my temples, 5 until I find a place for the Lord, a tabernacle for the God of Jacob. 6 Behold, we heard of it in Ephratha; we found it in the fields of the wood. 7 Let us enter into his tabernacles: let us worship at the place where his feet stood.

8 Arise, O Lord, into thy rest; thou, and the ark of thine holiness. 9 Thy priests shall clothe themselves with righteousness; and thy saints shall exult. Songs of the Ascents

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Psalm 132: 10 - 18

10 בַּעֲבוּר דָּוִד עַבְדֶּךְ אַל-תִּשֵׁב פְּנֵי מְשִׁיחֶךְ:

11 נִשְׁבַּע-יְהוָה | לְדָוִד אֱמֶת לֹא-יָשׁוּב מִמֶּנָה

מִפְּרִי בִטְנְךְ אָשִׁית לְכִפַא-לְךְ:

12 אָם-יִשְׁמְרוּ בָנֶיךְ | בְּרִיתִי וְעֵדֹתִי זוֹ אֲלַמְּדֵם

ַבּם-בְּנֵיהֶם עֲדֵי-עַד יֵשְׁבוּ לְכִפֵּא-לָך:

:13 כִּי-בָחַר יְהוָה בְּצִיּוֹן אָנָה לְמוֹשֶׁב לוֹ:

14 זֹאת-מְנוּחָתִי עֲדֵי-עַד פּה-אֵשֵׁב כִּי אִוִּתִיהָ:

15 צֵידָה בָּרֵדְ אֲבָרֵדְ אֶבְיוֹנֶיהָ אַשְׂבִּיעַ לָחֶם:

וְכֹהָנֶיהָ אַלְבִּישׁ יֶשַׁע וַחֲסִידֶיהָ רַנֵּן יְרַנֵּנוּ 16

17 שָׁם אַצְמִיחַ קֶּרֶן לְדָוִד עַרַכְתִּי וֵּר לִמְשִׁיחִי:

:18 אוֹיְבָיו אַלְבִּישׁ בּשֶׁת וְעָלָיו יָצִיץ נִזְרוֹ

10 For the sake of your servant David, do not turn away the face of your anointed one.

11 Yahweh has sworn to David in truth.

He will not turn from it:

"I will set the fruit of your body on your throne.

12 |f your children will keep my covenant,
my testimony that | will teach them,
their children also will sit on your throne forever
more."

13 For Yahweh has chosen Zion.

He has desired it for his inhabitance.

14 "This is my resting place forever. I will live here, for I have desired it.

15 | will abundantly bless her provision.| will satisfy her poor with bread.

16 Her priests | will also clothe with salvation.

Her saints will shout aloud for joy.

17 There I will make the horn of David to bud. I have ordained a lamp for my anointed.

18 | will clothe his enemies with shame, but on himself, his crown will be magnificent."

- 10 ἕνεκεν Δαυιδ τοῦ δούλου σου μὴ ἀποστρέψης τὸ πρόσωπον τοῦ χριστοῦ σου.
- 11 ὤμοσεν κύριος τῷ Δαυιδ ἀλήθειαν καὶ οὐ μὴ ἀθετήσει αὐτήν
- 'Εκ καρποῦ τῆς κοιλίας σου θήσομαι ἐπὶ τὸν θρόνον σου·
- 12 ἐὰν φυλάξωνται οἱ υἱοί σου τὴν διαθήκην μου
- καὶ τὰ μαρτύριά μου ταῦτα, ἃ διδάξω αὐτούς, καὶ οἱ υἱοὶ αὐτῶν ἕως τοῦ αἰῶνος καθιοῦνται ἐπὶ τοῦ θρόνου σου.
- 13 ὅτι ἐξελέξατο κύριος τὴν Σιων, ἡρετίσατο αὐτὴν εἰς κατοικίαν ἑαυτῷ 14 Αὕτη ἡ κατάπαυσίς μου εἰς αἰῶνα αἰῶνος, ὧδε κατοικήσω, ὅτι ἡρετισάμην αὐτήν 15 τὴν θήραν αὐτῆς εὐλογῶν εὐλογήσω, τοὺς πτωχοὺς αὐτῆς χορτάσω ἄρτων, 16 τοὺς ἱερεῖς αὐτῆς ἐνδύσω σωτηρίαν, καὶ οἱ ὅσιοι αὐτῆς ἀγαλλιάσει ἀγαλλιάσονται 17 ἐκεῖ ἐξανατελῶ κέρας τῷ Δαυιδ, ἡτοίμασα λύχνον τῷ χριστῷ μου 18 τοὺς ἐχθροὺς αὐτοῦ ἐνδύσω αἰσχύνην, ἐπὶ δὲ αὐτὸν ἐξανθήσει τὸ ἁγίασμά μου.

- 10 For the sake of thy servant David turn not away the face of thine anointed.
- 11 The Lord sware [in] truth to David, and he will not annul it, [saying], Of the fruit of thy body will I set [a king] upon thy throne. 12 If thy children will deep my covenant, and these my testimonies which I shall teach them, their children also shall sit upon thy throne for ever. 13 For the Lord has elected Sion, he has chosen her for a habitation for himself, [saying], 14 This is my rest for ever: here will I dwell; for I have chosen it. 15 I will surely bless her provision: I will satisfy her poor with bread. 16 I will clothe her priests with salvation; and her saints shall greatly exult. 17 There will I cause to spring up a horn to David: I have prepared a lamp for mine anointed. 18 His enemies will I clothe with a shame; but upon himself shall my holiness flourish.



Songs of the Ascents

Psalm 133

1 שִׁיר הַמַּעֲלוֹת לְדָוִד הָנֵּה מַה-טוֹב וּמַה-נָּעִים שֶׁבֶת אַחִים גַּם-יָחַד:

> 2 כַּשֶּׁמֶן הַטּוֹב | עַל-הָרֹאשׁ יֹרֵד עַל-הַזָּקָן זְקַן-אַהָרֹן שֶׁיֹרֵד עַל-פִּי מִדּוֹתָיו:

3 כְּטַל-חֶרְמוֹן שֶׁיֹּרֵד עַל-הַרְרֵי צִיּוֹן כִּי שֶׁם | צִּוָּה יְהוָה אֶת-הַבְּרָכָה חַיִּים עַד-הָעוֹלָם:

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A Song of the Ascents. By David.

1 See how good and how pleasant it is for brothers to live together in unity!

2 It is like the precious oil on the head, that ran down on the beard, even Aaron's beard; that came down on the edge of his robes;

3 like the dew of Hermon, that comes down on the hills of Zion: for there Yahweh gives the blessing, even life forever more.

Psalms of Ascent

ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 133 [132]

'Οιδὴ τῶν ἀναβαθμῶν' τῷ Δαυιδ.

- 1 'Ιδοὺ δὴ τί καλὸν ἢ τί τερπνὸν ἀλλ' ἢ τὸ κατοικεῖν ἀδελφοὺς ἐπὶ τὸ αὐτό;
- ώς μύρον ἐπὶ κεφαλῆς τὸ καταβαῖνον ἐπὶ πώγωνα,

τὸν πώγωνα τὸν Ααρων,

καὶ ζωὴν ἕως τοῦ αἰῶνος.

- τὸ καταβαῖνον ἐπὶ τὴν ικαν τοῦ ἐνδύματος αὐτοῦ.
- 3 ὡς δρόσος Αερμων ἡ καταβαίνουσα ἐπὶ τὰ ὅρη Σιων.
 ὅτι ἐκεῖ ἐνετείλατο κύριος τὴν εὐλογίαν

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A Song of Degrees.

See now! what is so good, or what so pleasant, as for brethren to dwell together? 2 [It is] as ointment on the head, that ran down to the beard, [even] the beard of Aaron; that ran down to the fringe of his clothing. 3 As the dew of Aermon, that comes down on the mountains of Sion: for there, the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for ever.

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א שִׁיר הַמַּעְלוֹת הִנָּה | בָּרְכוּ אֶת-יְהוָה כָּל-עַבְדִי יְהוָה הָעֹמְדִים בְּבֵית-יְהוָה בַּלֵּילוֹת:

ב שְׂאוּ-יְדֵכֶם קֹדֶשׁ וּבָרְכוּ אֶת-יְהוָה

:גְיָבֶרֶכְדְ יְהוָה מִצִּיּוֹן עֹשֵׁה שָׁמַיִם וָאָרֶץ

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A Song of the Ascents.

1 Look! Praise Yahweh, all you servants of Yahweh,

who stand by night in Yahweh's house!

2 Lift up your hands in the sanctuary. Praise Yahweh!

3 May Yahweh bless you from Zion; even he who made heaven and earth.

ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 134 [133]

'Οιδὴ τῶν ἀναβαθμῶν.

- 1 'Ιδοὺ δὴ εὐλογεῖτε τὸν κύριον, πάντες οἱ δοῦλοι κυρίου οἱ ἑστῶτες ἐν οἴκῷ κυρίου, ἐν αὐλαῖς οἴκου θεοῦ ἡμῶν.
- 2 ἐν ταῖς νυξὶν ἐπάρατε τὰς χεῖρας ὑμῶν εἰς τὰ ἅγια καὶ εὐλογεῖτε τὸν κύριον.
- 3 εὐλογήσει σε κύριος ἐκ Σιωνὁ ποιήσας τὸν οὐρανὸν καὶ τὴν γῆν.

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A Song of Degrees.

Behold now, bless ye the Lord, all the servants of the Lord, who stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God. 2 Lift up your hands by night in the sanctuaries, and bless the Lord. 3 May the Lord, who made heaven and earth, bless thee out of Sion.

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