

Psalm 041 - Messianic Psalm: When Things Go Wrong

Psalm 41

[To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.]

When Things Go Wrong

1 Blessed is one who considers the helpless; The LORD will save him on a day of trouble.

1 How blessed is he who considers the helpless; The LORD will deliver him in a day of trouble.

1 Blessed is the one who is considerate of the destitute; the LORD will deliver him when the times are evil.

1 Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the LORD will deliver him in time of trouble.

2 The LORD will protect him and keep him alive, And he will be called blessed upon the earth; And do not turn him over to the desire of his enemies.

2 The LORD will protect him and keep him alive, And he shall be called blessed upon the earth; And do not give him over to the desire of his enemies.

2 The LORD will protect him and keep him alive; he will be blessed in the land; and he will not be handed over to the desires of his enemies.

2 The LORD will preserve him, and keep him alive; and he shall be blessed upon the earth: and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies.

3 The LORD will sustain him upon his sickbed; In his illness, You restore him to health.

3 The LORD will sustain him upon his sickbed; In his illness, You restore him to health.

3 The LORD will uphold him even on his sickbed; you will transform his bed of illness into health.

3 The LORD will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing: thou wilt make all his bed in his sickness.

4 As for me, I said, "LORD, be gracious to me; Heal my soul, for I have sinned against You."

4 As for me, I said, "O LORD, be gracious to me; Heal my soul, for I have sinned against You."

4 As for me, I said, "LORD, be gracious to me! Heal me, for I have sinned against you!"

4 I said, LORD, be merciful unto me: heal my soul; for I have sinned against thee.

5 My enemies speak evil against me, "When will he die, and **his name perish?**"

5 My enemies speak evil against me, "When will he die, and his name perish?"

5 As for my enemies, with malice they said, "When will he die and memory of his name perish?"

5 Mine enemies speak evil of me, When shall he die, and his name perish?

- "...his name perish" - Absalom had no son; it would have ended the dynasty

— God had promised that David's descendants would sit on the throne forever (2 Sam 7:11-16)

— A promise fulfilled in Christ (Luke 1:31-33)

6 And when he comes to see *me*, he speaks empty words; His heart gathers wickedness to itself; When he goes outside, he tells it.

6 And when he comes to see *me*, he speaks falsehood; His heart gathers wickedness to itself; When he goes outside, he tells it.

6 The one who comes to visit me speaks lies; in his heart he thinks slanderous things about me and goes around spreading them.

6 And if he come to see me, he speaketh vanity: his heart gathereth iniquity to itself; when he goeth abroad, he telleth it.

7 All who hate me whisper together against me; They plot my harm against me, *saying*,

7 All who hate me whisper together against me; Against me they devise my hurt, *saying*,

7 As for all who hate me, they whisper together against me; they desire to do me harm.

7 All that hate me whisper together against me: against me do they devise my hurt.

8 "A wicked thing is poured out upon him, So that when he lies down, he will not get up again."

8 "A wicked thing is poured out upon him, That when he lies down, he will not rise up again."

8 They say, "Wickedness is entrenched in him. Once he is brought low, he will not rise again."

8 An evil disease, say they, cleaveth fast unto him: and now that he lieth he shall rise up no more.

9 Even my close friend in whom I trusted, Who ate my bread, Has lifted up his heel against me.

9 Even my close friend in whom I trusted, Who ate my bread, Has lifted up his heel against me.

9 As for my best friend, the one in whom I trusted, the one who ate my bread, even he has insulted me!

9 Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, hath lifted up his heel against me.

Ahithophel

Ahithophel was the father of Eliam (1 Chr 3:5). Eliam was the father of Bathsheba (2 Sam 11:3; 23:34,39), so Ahithophel was Bathsheba's grandfather. Ahithophel apparently never forgave David for what he did to his granddaughter & grandson-in-law. Ahithophel also ultimately committed suicide by hanging himself (2 Sam 17:23). Peter also refers to this in Acts 1:16.

10 But You, LORD, be gracious to me and raise me up, That I may repay them.

10 But You, O LORD, be gracious to me and raise me up, That I may repay them.

10 But you, LORD, be gracious to me and raise me up so that I may pay them back!

10 But thou, O LORD, be merciful unto me, and raise me up, that I may requite them.

11 By this I know that You are pleased with me, Because my enemy does not shout in triumph over me.

11 By this I know that You are pleased with me, Because my enemy does not shout in triumph over me.

11 In this way I will know that you are pleased with me, and that my enemies will not shout in triumph over me.

11 By this I know that thou favourest me, because mine enemy doth not triumph over me.

12 As for me, You uphold me in my integrity, And You place me in Your presence forever.

12 As for me, You uphold me in my integrity, And You set me in Your presence forever.

12 As for me, you will maintain my just cause, and you will cause me to stand in your presence forever.

12 And as for me, thou upholdest me in mine integrity, and settest me before thy face for ever.

13 Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, From everlasting to everlasting. Amen and Amen.

13 Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, From everlasting to everlasting. Amen and Amen.

13 Blessed be the LORD God of Israel, from eternity to eternity. Amen and amen!

13 Blessed be the LORD God of Israel from everlasting, and to everlasting. Amen, and Amen.