

Psalm 107:30

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Then are they glad because they be quiet; so he bringeth them unto their desired haven.

Analysis

This verse describes the aftermath of deliverance. 'Then are they glad because they be quiet' shows relief and joy after terror. 'Glad' (samach, שָׁמַח) means to rejoice, be joyful. 'Because they be quiet' (shaqat, שָׁקַת) means tranquil, at rest, undisturbed. The contrast between verses 26-27 (terror, melted souls, wits' end) and verse 30 (glad, quiet) is dramatic. Deliverance produces joy. 'So he bringeth them unto their desired haven' means God guides to their intended destination. 'Desired haven' (mechoz chefets, מְחֹזֶת כְּפֶת) is harbor of delight—safe port. God doesn't just calm the storm but brings them home. Complete salvation.

Historical Context

After Jesus calmed the storm, disciples arrived safely (Mark 6:51-53). After Paul's shipwreck, all 276 passengers reached land safely (Acts 27:44; 28:1). God doesn't merely rescue from danger but brings to intended destination. Spiritually, this pictures complete salvation: rescued from sin and death, brought safely to the heavenly haven. Philippians 1:6 promises 'he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.' God completes what He begins.

Related Passages

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Study Questions

1. How does God's deliverance include not just rescue but safe arrival at destination?
2. What is the 'desired haven' God brings believers to ultimately?
3. How does assurance of final salvation produce gladness even amid present storms?

Interlinear Text

מְחֹזֶד	אֶל	יְתַחַד	וְשָׁמַחַת	כִּי	וְיִשְׁמַחַת
haven	H4231	H413	so he bringeth	because they be quiet	H3588
H4231	H5148	H8367	H8055	Then are they glad	

Additional Cross-References

John 6:21 (Parallel theme): Then they willingly received him into the ship: and immediately the ship was at the land whither they went.

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