

Psalms 116

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I Love the Lord

- 1** I love the LORD, because he hath heard my voice and my supplications.
- 2** Because he hath inclined his ear unto me, therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.
- 3** The sorrows of death compassed me, and the pains of hell gat hold upon me: I found trouble and sorrow.
- 4** Then called I upon the name of the LORD; O LORD, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.
- 5** Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; yea, our God is merciful.
- 6** The LORD preserveth the simple: I was brought low, and he helped me.
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- 7** Return unto thy rest, O my soul; for the LORD hath dealt bountifully with thee.
- 8** For thou hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.
- 9** I will walk before the LORD in the land of the living.
- 10** I believed, therefore have I spoken: I was greatly afflicted:
- 11** I said in my haste, All men are liars.
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- 12** What shall I render unto the LORD for all his benefits toward me?
- 13** I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the LORD.

- 14** I will pay my vows unto the LORD now in the presence of all his people.
- 15** Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.
- 16** O LORD, truly I am thy servant; I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid: thou hast loosed my bonds.
- 17** I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the LORD.
- 18** I will pay my vows unto the LORD now in the presence of all his people,
- 19** In the courts of the LORD'S house, in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise ye the LORD.
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Believe — אָמַן (Aman)

To believe, trust, be faithful

The Hebrew **aman** (אָמַן) means to believe or confirm—the root of 'Amen.' It conveys firm trust and reliability. Abraham 'believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness' (Genesis 15:6).

God — אֱלֹהִים (Elohim)

God (plural of majesty)

The Hebrew **Elohim** (אֱלֹהִים) is a plural form denoting majesty and fullness of deity. Though grammatically plural, it takes singular verbs when referring to the one true God, suggesting the Trinity's plurality within unity.

Lord — אֲדֹנָי (YHWH / Adonai)

The LORD / Lord

When 'LORD' appears in small capitals, it represents the Tetragrammaton **YHWH** (יהָוָה), God's personal covenant name meaning 'I AM.' When 'Lord' appears normally, it's **Adonai** (אֲדֹנָי), meaning 'my Lord,' emphasizing sovereignty.

Love — אַהֲבָה (Ahavah / Chesed)

Love / Loyal-love

Hebrew uses **ahavah** (אַהֲבָה) for love generally, but the covenant term **chesed** (חֵדֶד) describes God's steadfast, loyal love—faithful covenant commitment beyond mere emotion.

Sacrifice — זבָח (Zevach)

Sacrifice, offering

The Hebrew **zevach** (זבָח) denotes a sacrifice or offering—an animal slaughtered for worship. Old Testament sacrifices foreshadowed Christ, 'the Lamb of God' (John 1:29).

Salvation — יְשֻׁעָה (Yeshuah)

Salvation, deliverance

The Hebrew **yeshuah** (יְשֻׁעָה) means salvation or deliverance—rescue from danger or enemies. This is the root of 'Jesus' (Yeshua), meaning 'YHWH saves.'

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