

# Psalms 116

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## **I Love the Lord**

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

## HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

### **Believe** — אָמֵן (Aman)

To believe, trust, be faithful

The Hebrew **aman** (אָמֵן) 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** — יְהוָה / אֲדֹנָי (YHWH / Adonai)

The LORD / Lord

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

### **Love** — אַהֲבָה / חֶסֶד (Ahavah / Chesed)

Love / Loyal-love

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

**Sacrifice** — זֶבַח (Zevach)

Sacrifice, offering

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

**Salvation** — יְשׁוּעָה (Yeshuah)

Salvation, deliverance

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

**CROSS REFERENCES**

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**Psalms 116:2**

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**Righteousness:** Psalms 119:137; 145:17; Ezra 9:15; Nehemiah 9:8; Daniel 9:7; 9:14. **Grace:** Psalms 86:15; 103:8; 1 Timothy 1:14

**Psalms 116:6**

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**Psalms 116:7**

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**Parallel theme:** Psalms 31:22; 62:9; 1 Samuel 27:1; 2 Kings 4:16; Romans 3:4

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### **Psalms 116:15**

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### **Psalms 116:16**

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**Psalms 116:17** **Parallel theme:** Psalms 50:14. **Sacrifice:** Psalms 107:22; Leviticus 7:12; Hebrews 13:15. **References Lord:** Psalms 116:13

**Psalms 116:18** **References Lord:** Psalms 76:11; 116:14. **Parallel theme:** Psalms 22:25

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