

Psalms 44

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Come to Our Help

- 1** We have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us, what work thou didst in their days, in the times of old.
 - 2** How thou didst drive out the heathen with thy hand, and plantedst them; how thou didst afflict the people, and cast them out.
 - 3** For they got not the land in possession by their own sword, neither did their own arm save them: but thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, because thou hadst a favour unto them.
 - 4** Thou art my King, O God: command deliverances for Jacob.
 - 5** Through thee will we push down our enemies: through thy name will we tread them under that rise up against us.
 - 6** For I will not trust in my bow, neither shall my sword save me.
 - 7** But thou hast saved us from our enemies, and hast put them to shame that hated us.
 - 8** In God we boast all the day long, and praise thy name for ever. Selah.
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- 9** But thou hast cast off, and put us to shame; and goest not forth with our armies.
 - 10** Thou makest us to turn back from the enemy: and they which hate us spoil for themselves.
 - 11** Thou hast given us like sheep appointed for meat; and hast scattered us among the heathen.

- 12 Thou sellest thy people for nought, and dost not increase thy wealth by their price.
- 13 Thou makest us a reproach to our neighbours, a scorn and a derision to them that are round about us.
- 14 Thou makest us a byword among the heathen, a shaking of the head among the people.
- 15 My confusion is continually before me, and the shame of my face hath covered me,
- 16 For the voice of him that reproacheth and blasphemeth; by reason of the enemy and avenger.
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- 17 All this is come upon us; yet have we not forgotten thee, neither have we dealt falsely in thy covenant.
- 18 Our heart is not turned back, neither have our steps declined from thy way;
- 19 Though thou hast sore broken us in the place of dragons, and covered us with the shadow of death.
- 20 If we have forgotten the name of our God, or stretched out our hands to a strange god;
- 21 Shall not God search this out? for he knoweth the secrets of the heart.
- 22 Yea, for thy sake are we killed all the day long; we are counted as sheep for the slaughter.
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- 23 Awake, why sleepest thou, O Lord? arise, cast us not off for ever.
- 24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face, and forgettest our affliction and our oppression?
- 25 For our soul is bowed down to the dust: our belly cleaveth unto the earth.
- 26 Arise for our help, and redeem us for thy mercies' sake.

HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

Covenant — בְּרִית (Berit)

Covenant, treaty

The Hebrew **berit** (בְּרִית) denotes a covenant—a binding agreement, often ratified by blood sacrifice. God's covenants (Abrahamic, Mosaic, Davidic) structure redemptive history, culminating in the New Covenant.

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** (יהוה), God's personal covenant name meaning 'I AM.' When 'Lord' appears normally, it's **Adonai** (אֲדֹנָי), meaning 'my Lord,' emphasizing sovereignty.

Redeem — גָּאַל (Gaal)

To redeem, act as kinsman-redeemer

The Hebrew **gaal** (גָּאַל) means to redeem or act as kinsman-redeemer (go'el)—buying back family property or relatives. It foreshadows Christ redeeming His people through His blood.

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.'

Save — יָשַׁע (Yasha)

To save, deliver, rescue

The Hebrew **yasha** (יָשַׁע) means to save or deliver—rescue from danger or distress. This is the root of 'Jesus' (Yeshua), meaning 'YHWH saves.' God alone is Savior: 'I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour' (Isaiah 43:11).

CROSS REFERENCES

Psalms 44:1 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 77:5; Judges 6:13; Isaiah 38:19; Joel 1:3. **References**

God: Psalms 42:1; Deuteronomy 6:20

Psalms 44:2 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 78:55; Exodus 15:17

Psalms 44:3

Word: Joshua 24:12; Zechariah 4:6. **Parallel theme:** Psalms 42:5; 42:11; 77:15; Exodus 15:16; 1 Samuel 12:22; 2 Corinthians 4:7. **Salvation:** Psalms 20:6. **Light:** Deuteronomy 10:15

Psalms 44:4

Kingdom: Psalms 74:12. **References God:** Psalms 42:8. **Parallel theme:** Mark 9:25

Psalms 44:5

Parallel theme: Psalms 60:12; 91:13; 108:13; Deuteronomy 33:17; 1 Kings 22:11; Daniel 8:4; Zechariah 10:5; Romans 16:20; Philippians 4:13

Psalms 44:6 **Salvation:** 1 Samuel 17:47; Hosea 1:7. **Faith:** Psalms 20:7

Psalms 44:7 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 40:14; 53:5; 132:18; 136:24; Joshua 1:5. **Salvation:** Psalms 140:7; 144:10

Psalms 44:8 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 34:2; Isaiah 45:25; Jeremiah 9:24. **References God:** Romans 2:17. **Resurrection:** Psalms 30:12

Psalms 44:9 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 43:2; 60:1; 60:10; 74:1; 108:11

Psalms 44:10

Parallel theme: Psalms 89:41; Leviticus 26:17; Deuteronomy 28:25; Joshua 7:8; 7:12

Psalms 44:11 **Parallel theme:** Deuteronomy 4:27; 28:64; Ezekiel 34:12; Romans 8:36

Psalms 44:12 **Parallel theme:** Deuteronomy 32:30; Jeremiah 15:13

Psalms 44:13 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 79:4; 80:6

Psalms 44:14 **Kingdom:** Jeremiah 24:9. **Word:** 2 Kings 19:21; Job 16:4

Psalms 44:15 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 69:7

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Psalms 44:17 **Parallel theme:** Daniel 9:13

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Psalms 44:19 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 23:4; 51:8; Job 3:5

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Psalms 44:23 Resurrection: Psalms 7:6. **References Lord:** Psalms 35:23; 78:65

Psalms 44:24 Parallel theme: Job 13:24

Psalms 44:25 Parallel theme: Psalms 119:25; Isaiah 51:23; Lamentations 4:5

Psalms 44:26 Redemption: Psalms 25:22; 26:11. **Parallel theme:** Psalms 35:2

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