

# Psalm 68:27

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

There is little Benjamin with their ruler, the princes of Judah and their council, the princes of Zebulun, and the princes of Naphtali.

## Analysis

The listing of tribes—little Benjamin leading, princes of Judah, Zebulun, and Naphtali—represents all Israel unified in worship. Benjamin, smallest yet leading, shows God's delight in elevating the humble. Judah's prominence anticipates Messiah's royal lineage. Including northern tribes (Zebulun, Naphtali) emphasizes unity despite later divisions. This diverse yet unified assembly foreshadows the church gathered from all nations (Revelation 7:9).

## Historical Context

These tribes represented different regions and historical roles. Benjamin was small, Judah held royal leadership, while Zebulun and Naphtali were northern. Their joint worship demonstrated covenant unity transcending tribal differences.

## Related Passages

**Colossians 1:16** — All things created through Christ

**Psalm 19:1** — Heavens declare God's glory

## Study Questions

1. How does the church's diversity strengthen rather than fragment its worship and witness?
2. What 'tribal' differences (denominational, cultural, generational) must be transcended for genuine unity?
3. In what ways does God intentionally elevate the 'little' and humble in His kingdom?

## Interlinear Text

וְהַזְדָה שֶׁר יְהוּדָה רַדְם בְּנֵי יִרְאָה בְּנֵי לִי בְּנֵי שְׁמָן H8033 Benjamin There is little with their ruler and the princes of Judah

נְפְתִילִים רְגָמָת מִשְׁרֵי זְבָל וְלִשְׁרֵי שְׁרֵי וְלִשְׁרֵי נְפְתִילִים and their council and the princes of Zebulun and the princes of Naphtali H7277 H8269 H2074 H8269 H5321

## Additional Cross-References

**1 Samuel 9:21** (Parallel theme): And Saul answered and said, Am not I a Benjamite, of the smallest of the tribes of Israel? and my family the least of all the families of the tribe of Benjamin? wherefore then speakest thou so to me?

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