

Psalms 72

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Give the King Your Justice, O God

- 1** Give the king thy judgments, O God, and thy righteousness unto the king's son.
 - 2** He shall judge thy people with righteousness, and thy poor with judgment.
 - 3** The mountains shall bring peace to the people, and the little hills, by righteousness.
 - 4** He shall judge the poor of the people, he shall save the children of the needy, and shall break in pieces the oppressor.
 - 5** They shall fear thee as long as the sun and moon endure, throughout all generations.
 - 6** He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass: as showers that water the earth.
 - 7** In his days shall the righteous flourish; and abundance of peace so long as the moon endureth.
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- 8** He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth.
 - 9** They that dwell in the wilderness shall bow before him; and his enemies shall lick the dust.
 - 10** The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall bring presents: the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.
 - 11** Yea, all kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall serve him.

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- 12 For he shall deliver the needy when he crieth; the poor also, and him that hath no helper.
- 13 He shall spare the poor and needy, and shall save the souls of the needy.
- 14 He shall redeem their soul from deceit and violence: and precious shall their blood be in his sight.
- 15 And he shall live, and to him shall be given of the gold of Sheba: prayer also shall be made for him continually; and daily shall he be praised.
- 16 There shall be an handful of corn in the earth upon the top of the mountains; the fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon: and they of the city shall flourish like grass of the earth.
- 17 His name shall endure for ever: his name shall be continued as long as the sun: and men shall be blessed in him: all nations shall call him blessed.
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- 18 Blessed be the LORD God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things.
- 19 And blessed be his glorious name for ever: and let the whole earth be filled with his glory; Amen, and Amen.
- 20 The prayers of David the son of Jesse are ended.
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Blood — דָּם (Dam)

Blood

The Hebrew **dam** (דָּם) means blood—representing life itself. 'The life of the flesh is in the blood' (Leviticus 17:11), and blood was required for atonement, foreshadowing Christ's sacrifice.

Glory — כְּבוֹד (Kavod)

Glory, weight, honor

The Hebrew **kavod** (כְּבוֹד) literally means 'weight' or 'heaviness,' metaphorically denoting glory, honor, or majesty. God's glory (Shekinah) filled the tabernacle (Exodus 40:34) and temple (1 Kings 8:11).

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.

Judgment — מִשְׁפָּט (Mishpat)

Judgment, justice

The Hebrew **mishpat** (מִשְׁפָּט) means judgment or justice—God's righteous decisions and ordinances. God is the Judge of all the earth who 'shall do right' (Genesis 18:25), executing perfect justice.

Lord — אֲדֹנָי / יְהוָה (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.

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.

Righteous — צַדִּיק (Tzaddik)

Righteous one

The Hebrew **tzaddik** (צַדִּיק) describes one who is righteous, just, or lawful—conforming to God's standard. From the root tzedek (צֶדֶק), meaning righteousness or justice.

Save — יָשָׁע (Yasha)

To save, deliver, rescue

The Hebrew **yasha** (יָשָׁע) 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 72:1 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 127:1; 1 Chronicles 29:19; Isaiah 11:2. **Judgment:** 2 Chronicles 1:10. **References God:** John 3:34

Psalms 72:2 **Righteousness:** Isaiah 32:1

Psalms 72:3 **Peace:** Isaiah 52:7

Psalms 72:4 **Judgment:** Isaiah 11:4; Revelation 19:2. **Parallel theme:** Psalms 2:9; 94:5; Job 19:2; 34:24; Isaiah 9:4; Revelation 18:20; 18:24. **Salvation:** Psalms 109:31

Psalms 72:5 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 72:17; Daniel 7:14

Psalms 72:6 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 65:10; Deuteronomy 32:2; 2 Samuel 23:4; Hosea 6:3

Psalms 72:7 **Parallel theme:** Isaiah 2:4; 60:22. **Righteousness:** Psalms 92:12; Malachi 4:2.
Peace: Luke 2:14

Psalms 72:8 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 2:8; 80:11; 89:25; Exodus 23:31; Zechariah 9:10

Psalms 72:9 **Parallel theme:** Isaiah 49:23; Micah 7:17

Psalms 72:10 **Kingdom:** Psalms 68:29; 2 Chronicles 9:21; Isaiah 49:7. **Parallel theme:**
Psalms 45:12; Genesis 10:7; 1 Kings 10:1; Isaiah 60:6; 60:9

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Kingdom: Revelation 11:15; 17:14; 21:24. **Parallel theme:** Psalms 86:9; Isaiah 54:5; Revelation
21:26

Psalms 72:12 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 10:17; 72:4; 102:17; 102:20; Job 29:12; Ecclesiastes
4:1; Isaiah 41:17; Luke 4:18; 2 Corinthians 8:9; Hebrews 7:25

Psalms 72:13 **Parallel theme:** Ezekiel 34:16; Matthew 5:3. **Salvation:** Psalms 109:31

Psalms 72:14

Parallel theme: Psalms 116:15; 1 Samuel 26:21. **Blood:** Revelation 17:6; 19:2. **Redemption:**
Psalms 25:22; 69:18; 130:8; Genesis 48:16; 2 Samuel 4:9; Titus 2:14

Psalms 72:15 **Parallel theme:** 1 Kings 10:14; 2 Corinthians 13:14; Philippians 2:11; 1
Thessalonians 3:11; 2 Timothy 4:22; 2 Peter 3:18; 1 John 1:2; Jude 1:25; Revelation 1:18.

Resurrection: Isaiah 60:6

Psalms 72:16 **Parallel theme:** Revelation 7:9

Psalms 72:17 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 89:36; Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:23; Philippians 2:10;
Colossians 1:3. **Blessing:** Genesis 12:3; 22:18; Luke 1:48; 1 Peter 1:3

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Blessing: Psalms 41:13; 68:35; 106:48; 1 Chronicles 29:10; 29:20. **References God:** Psalms
77:14; 86:10; Exodus 15:11. **Parallel theme:** Psalms 136:4; Job 5:9

Psalms 72:19 **Glory:** Numbers 14:21; Nehemiah 9:5; Isaiah 6:3; Habakkuk 2:14; Matthew
6:13; Revelation 5:13. **Parallel theme:** Isaiah 11:9; Matthew 6:10; Revelation 22:20. **Blessing:**
Psalms 41:13

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References David: 2 Samuel 23:1. **Parallel theme:** Job 31:40; Jeremiah 51:64; Luke 24:51

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