

# Psalms 94

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## **O Lord, God of Vengeance**

- <sup>1</sup> O LORD God, to whom vengeance belongeth; O God, to whom vengeance belongeth, shew thyself.
- <sup>2</sup> Lift up thyself, thou judge of the earth: render a reward to the proud.
- <sup>3</sup> LORD, how long shall the wicked, how long shall the wicked triumph?
- <sup>4</sup> How long shall they utter and speak hard things? and all the workers of iniquity boast themselves?
- <sup>5</sup> They break in pieces thy people, O LORD, and afflict thine heritage.
- <sup>6</sup> They slay the widow and the stranger, and murder the fatherless.
- <sup>7</sup> Yet they say, The LORD shall not see, neither shall the God of Jacob regard it.
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- <sup>8</sup> Understand, ye brutish among the people: and ye fools, when will ye be wise?
- <sup>9</sup> He that planted the ear, shall he not hear? he that formed the eye, shall he not see?
- <sup>10</sup> He that chastiseth the heathen, shall not he correct? he that teacheth man knowledge, shall not he know?
- <sup>11</sup> The LORD knoweth the thoughts of man, that they are vanity.
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- <sup>12</sup> Blessed is the man whom thou chastenest, O LORD, and teachest him out of thy law;

- 13 That thou mayest give him rest from the days of adversity, until the pit be digged for the wicked.
- 14 For the LORD will not cast off his people, neither will he forsake his inheritance.
- 15 But judgment shall return unto righteousness: and all the upright in heart shall follow it.
- 16 Who will rise up for me against the evildoers? or who will stand up for me against the workers of iniquity?
- 17 Unless the LORD had been my help, my soul had almost dwelt in silence.
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- 18 When I said, My foot slippeth; thy mercy, O LORD, held me up.
- 19 In the multitude of my thoughts within me thy comforts delight my soul.
- 20 Shall the throne of iniquity have fellowship with thee, which frameth mischief by a law?
- 21 They gather themselves together against the soul of the righteous, and condemn the innocent blood.
- 22 But the LORD is my defence; and my God is the rock of my refuge.
- 23 And he shall bring upon them their own iniquity, and shall cut them off in their own wickedness; yea, the LORD our God shall cut them off.

## HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

### 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.

### 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.

### Law — תּוֹרָה (Torah)

Law, instruction

The Hebrew **Torah** (תּוֹרָה) means law or instruction—God's revealed will for His people. The Law includes moral, civil, and ceremonial commandments, revealing God's character and humanity's need for a Savior.

### 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.

### Mercy — רַחֲמִים (Rachamim)

Compassion, mercy

The Hebrew **rachamim** (רַחֲמִים) derives from 'womb' (rechem), suggesting tender, maternal compassion. God's mercies are 'new every morning' (Lamentations 3:23), showing His compassionate nature.

### Repent — שׁוּב / נָחַם (Shuv / Nacham)

To turn back, relent

The Hebrew **shuv** (שׁוּב) means to turn or return—a physical turning that represents spiritual redirection back to God. **Nacham** (נָחַם) conveys grief or relenting, often used of God 'repenting' of judgment.

### 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.

## CROSS REFERENCES

**Psalms 94:1** **References God:** Isaiah 35:4; Jeremiah 50:28; Nahum 1:2; 2 Thessalonians 1:8.

**Parallel theme:** Psalms 80:1; Deuteronomy 32:35; Isaiah 59:17. **References Lord:** Romans 12:19; Hebrews 10:30

**Psalms 94:2** **Judgment:** Psalms 7:6; Genesis 18:25; 2 Corinthians 5:10. **Parallel theme:** Psalms 31:23; 1 Peter 5:5

### **Psalms 94:3**

**References Lord:** Revelation 6:10. **Evil:** Psalms 73:8; Job 20:5. **Parallel theme:** Psalms 43:2

**Psalms 94:4** **Parallel theme:** Psalms 31:18; 52:1

**Psalms 94:5** **References Lord:** Isaiah 3:15

**Psalms 94:6** **Parallel theme:** Isaiah 10:2

**Psalms 94:7** **References Lord:** Isaiah 29:15

**Psalms 94:8** **Parallel theme:** Psalms 49:10; 73:22; 92:6; Deuteronomy 32:29; Proverbs 8:5; 12:1; Isaiah 27:11; Jeremiah 10:8; Romans 3:11; Titus 3:3

**Psalms 94:9** **Parallel theme:** Psalms 11:4; 17:3; 44:21; Exodus 4:11; Proverbs 20:12

**Psalms 94:10** **Parallel theme:** Psalms 44:2; Job 35:11; Isaiah 28:26; Jeremiah 10:25

**Psalms 94:11** **References Lord:** 1 Corinthians 3:20. **Parallel theme:** 1 Corinthians 1:19; 1:21; 1:25

**Psalms 94:12** **Parallel theme:** Psalms 119:71; Job 5:17; Revelation 3:19. **References Lord:** Deuteronomy 8:5; Micah 6:9; 1 Corinthians 11:32. **Word:** Psalms 119:67

### **Psalms 94:13**

**Parallel theme:** Psalms 9:15; 55:23; Job 34:29; Habakkuk 3:16; Hebrews 4:9; 2 Peter 2:9; Revelation 11:18; 14:13. **Evil:** Psalms 49:5; Jeremiah 18:20

## **Psalms 94:14**

**References Lord:** Psalms 37:28; Deuteronomy 32:9; 1 Samuel 12:22; Jeremiah 10:16. **Parallel theme:** Psalms 34:12; Romans 8:30; Ephesians 1:18; Hebrews 13:5

## **Psalms 94:15**

**Righteousness:** Psalms 58:11; 97:2; Micah 7:9; Malachi 3:18. **Parallel theme:** Psalms 37:34; 1 John 2:19. **Judgment:** Psalms 9:16; Job 35:14

**Psalms 94:16** **Parallel theme:** Judges 5:23

**Psalms 94:17** **References Lord:** Psalms 13:3; 31:17; 115:17; 118:13

**Psalms 94:18** **Parallel theme:** Psalms 17:5; 38:16; 73:2; 121:3; 1 Samuel 2:9; Isaiah 41:10; Luke 22:32; 1 Peter 1:5

**Psalms 94:19** **Parallel theme:** Psalms 61:2

**Psalms 94:20** **Parallel theme:** Psalms 50:16; 58:2; Ecclesiastes 5:8; Isaiah 10:1; Amos 6:3. **Word:** John 9:22; 11:57. **Sin:** Ecclesiastes 3:16; Micah 6:16

**Psalms 94:21** **Parallel theme:** Psalms 22:16; 59:3; Matthew 27:1. **Righteousness:** Exodus 23:7; Proverbs 17:15; James 5:6. **Blood:** Proverbs 1:11; Ezekiel 22:12; Matthew 27:4; Revelation 17:6

## **Psalms 94:22**

**References God:** Psalms 18:2; 59:9. **Parallel theme:** Psalms 62:2; 62:6; Isaiah 33:16. **References Lord:** Psalms 9:9

**Psalms 94:23** **Parallel theme:** Psalms 7:16; 64:8. **References God:** Psalms 55:23. **Evil:** Proverbs 2:22; 14:32