

Psalms and Selections

FOR

Responsive Reading.

WORSHIP.

I. The Joy of God's House.

PSALM 84.

M. How lovely are Thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts !

C. My soul longeth, yea, fainteth, for the courts of the
Lord ; my heart and my flesh cry aloud for the
living God.

Even the sparrow findeth an abode, and the swallow
a nest, for their young, by Thine altars, O
Lord of hosts, my King and my God !

Happy are they who dwell in Thy house, they will
continually praise Thee !

Happy the man whose glory is in Thee, in whose
heart are Thy ways !

Passing through the valley of tears, they make it a
fountain ; and the early rain covereth it with
blessings.

They go on from strength to strength ; every one
of them appeareth before God in Zion.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, God of hosts ! give ear,
O God of Jacob !

Look down, O God ! our shield, and behold the face
of Thine anointed !

For a day spent in Thy courts is better than a
thousand without :

I would rather stand on the threshold of the house
of my God, than dwell in the tents of wicked-
ness.

For the Lord God is a sun and a shield ; the Lord
giveth grace and glory ;

No good thing doth He withhold from those who
walk uprightly.

O Lord of hosts ! happy the man who trusteth in
Thee !

II. The Joy of Worship.

PSALMS 95 and 96.

M. O come, let us sing to the Lord ; let us raise a voice
of joy to the rock of our salvation !

C. Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving,
and sing joyfully to Him with psalms !

For the Lord is a great God ; yea, a great King
over all the world.

In His hands are the depths of the earth ; His also
are the heights of the mountains.

The sea is His, and He made it ; the dry land also
His hands have formed.

O come, let us worship and bow down, let us bow
down before the Lord, our Maker !

For He is our God, and we are the people of His
pasture and the flock of His hand.

O sing to the Lord a new song ; sing to the Lord,
all the earth !

Sing to the Lord ; praise His name, show forth His
salvation from day to day !

Proclaim His glory among the nations, His wonders
among all people !

For the Lord is great, and highly exalted, and
 beside Him there is no God.
 Honor and majesty are before Him; glory and
 beauty are in His holy abode.
 Give to the Lord, ye families of the people, give to
 the Lord glory and praise!
 Give to the Lord the glory due to His name; bring
 an offering, and come into His courts!
 O worship the Lord in holy attire! tremble before
 Him, all the earth!
 Let the heavens be glad, and the earth rejoice; let
 the sea roar, and the fulness thereof;
 Let the fields be joyful, with all that is therein; let
 all the trees of the forest rejoice;
 Before the Lord! for He cometh, He cometh to
 judge the earth! He will judge the world with
 justice, and the nations with faithfulness.

III. In the Presence of God.

PSALM 97.

- M.* The Lord reigneth, let the earth rejoice! let the
 multitude of isles be glad!
- C.* Clouds and darkness are round about Him; justice
 and equity are the foundation of His throne.
 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the
 Lord, at the presence of the Lord of the whole
 earth.
 The heavens declare His righteousness, and all
 nations behold His glory.
 Let men praise Thy great and awe-inspiring name;
 it is holy!

Let them declare the glory of the King who loveth justice ! Thou hast established equity ; Thou dost execute justice in Jacob !

Zion hath heard, and is glad, and the daughters of Judah exult on account of Thy judgments, O Lord !

For Thou, O Lord ! art most high above all the earth ; Thou art far exalted above all powers ! Ye that love the Lord, hate evil ! He preserveth the lives of His servants, and delivereth them from the hand of the wicked.

Light is sown for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.

Rejoice, O ye righteous, in the Lord, and praise His holy name !

Exalt the Lord, our God, and worship at His holy mountain ! for the Lord, our God, is holy.

IV. The Gladness of the New Song.

PSALMS 98 and 100.

M. Sing to the Lord a new song ; for He hath done marvelous things ;

C. His own right hand and His holy arm have gotten Him the victory !

The Lord hath made known His salvation ; His righteousness hath He manifested in the sight of the nations.

He hath remembered His mercy and truth toward the house of Israel, and all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Sing unto the Lord, all the earth ! break forth into joy, and exult, and sing !

Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp, and
the voice of song !

With clarions, and the sound of trumpets, make a
joyful noise before the Lord the King !

Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof ; the
world, and they that dwell therein ;

Let the rivers clap their hands, and the mountains
rejoice together,

Before the Lord ! for He cometh to judge the earth !
He will judge the world, with righteousness and
the nations with equity.

Raise a voice of joy unto the Lord, all ye lands !
serve the Lord with gladness ; come before His
presence with songs !

Know ye that the Eternal is God ! it is He that
made us, and we are His people, and the flock
of His pasture.

Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, into His
courts with praise ; be thankful to Him and
bless His name !

For the Lord is good ; His mercy is everlasting ;
and His truth endureth to all generations.

V. The Song of the Sabbath Day.

PSALMS 92 and 93.

M. It is good to give thanks to the Lord, and to sing
praises to Thy name, O Most High !

C. To show forth Thy lovingkindness in the morning,
and Thy faithfulness every night.

For Thou, O Lord, hast made me glad by Thy do-
ings ; in the works of Thy hands I greatly
rejoice !

How great are Thy works, O Lord ! how deep Thy purposes !

But the unwise man knoweth nor this, the thoughtless can not perceive it :

When the wicked spring up like grass, and evil-doers flourish ;—to be destroyed for ever !

Thou, O Lord, art for ever exalted !

For lo ! Thine enemies, O Lord, Thine enemies perish, and scattered all who do iniquity.

The righteous shall flourish like the palm-tree ; they shall grow up like the cedars of Lebanon.

Planted in the house of the Lord, they shall flourish in the courts of our God.

Even in old age they bring forth fruit ; they are green, and full of sap ;

To show that the Lord, my rock, is upright, and there is no unrighteousness in Him.

The Lord reigneth ; He is clothed with majesty ; the Lord is clothed with majesty, and girded with strength.

Therefore the earth standeth firm, and cannot be moved.

Thy throne was established of old ; Thou art from everlasting !

The floods, O Lord ! lift up their voice ; the floods lift up their roaring !

Mightier than the voice of many waters, are the mighty waves of the sea ;

But mightiest of all is the Lord in his lofty habitation.

Thy promises are most sure ; holiness becometh Thy house, O Lord ! for ever !