

# PSALMS

## 1

The \*Lord is with people who <sup>a</sup>live in the right way

<sup>1</sup> The \*Lord <sup>b</sup>bleses people who  
do not listen to someone who does wrong,  
who do not go where <sup>c</sup>sinners go,  
and who do not sit down  
with people who <sup>d</sup>laugh at God.

<sup>2</sup> He <sup>e</sup>bleses people  
who love what the \*Lord says  
in his <sup>f</sup>laws and think about  
God's words every day and night.

<sup>3</sup> People like that are like a tree  
that \*grows next to a <sup>g</sup>stream of water,  
and <sup>h</sup>which gives <sup>i</sup>fruit at the right time  
and always has green <sup>j</sup>leaves.  
They <sup>k</sup>succeed in everything they do.

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<sup>a</sup>**live right, in the right way:** doing things that God wants you to do.

<sup>b</sup>**bles:** when God helps people or things and does good things for them.

<sup>c</sup>**sinners:** people who \*sin and do wrong \*against the \*laws of God.

<sup>d</sup>**laugh at:** to make someone feel very bad when you say: 'ha ha'.

<sup>e</sup>**bles:** when God helps people or things and does good things for them.

<sup>f</sup>**laws:** the \*rules that God gave to his people in the \*Old Testament.

<sup>g</sup>**stream:** a small river. [\*drawing # 126]

<sup>h</sup>**which:** that, what or that one.

<sup>i</sup>**fruit:** food or \*seeds that \*grow on some \*plants or trees. [\*drawing # 170]

<sup>j</sup>**leaves:** the small green parts on the \*branches of a tree. [\*drawing # 171]

<sup>k</sup>**succeed:** to win or do what you wanted to do.

<sup>4</sup> But <sup>1</sup>sinful people are not like that.  
People who do wrong are like <sup>m</sup>chaff,  
and the wind blows them away.  
<sup>5</sup> That is why the \*Lord will <sup>n</sup>punish  
people who do things that are wrong.  
<sup>o</sup>Sinners will not be <sup>p</sup>able to go  
where all the <sup>q</sup>righteous people  
come together with the Lord.  
<sup>6</sup> Yes, the \*Lord \*knows the ways  
of those who do right,  
but He will <sup>r</sup>destroy <sup>s</sup>sinners.

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<sup>1</sup>**sinful people:** people who are bad, doing things \*which God hates.

<sup>m</sup>**chaff:** \*straw that is \*left over from \*heads\_of\_wheat after they have taken out the \*seeds. [\*drawing # 86]

<sup>n</sup>**punish:** to make someone \*suffer because he has done wrong or to make him stop doing it. [\*drawing # 54]

<sup>o</sup>**sinners:** people who \*sin and do wrong \*against the \*laws of God.

<sup>p</sup>**able:** when you can do something.

<sup>q</sup>**righteous:** what people are like when God has \*forgiven their \*sins and they \*live in the right way.

<sup>r</sup>**destroy:** to break something down so that there is nothing \*left over. [\*drawing # 103]

<sup>s</sup>**sinners:** people who \*sin and do wrong \*against the \*laws of God.

## Why does God think about <sup>t</sup>worthless people?

*Tell the <sup>u</sup>leader of the <sup>v</sup>choir to play the same <sup>w</sup>music as the <sup>x</sup>song about the <sup>y</sup>wine-press. This is a <sup>z</sup>Psalms of David.*

<sup>1</sup> \*Lord our God,  
 your name is the most wonderful name on <sup>a</sup>earth.  
 The <sup>b</sup>sky above shows  
 that You are the <sup>c</sup>King  
 who <sup>d</sup>rules over everything.  
<sup>2</sup> <sup>e</sup>Even babies and small children  
 sing about your power so that  
 your <sup>f</sup>enemies can not say anything,  
 and they have to <sup>g</sup>keep quiet.

<sup>t</sup>**worthless:** something that is no good, you can \*throw it away. [\*drawing # 110]

<sup>u</sup>**leader:** a person who leads other people and tells them what they must do.

[\*drawing # 120, 136]

<sup>v</sup>**choir:** a group of people who sing together.

<sup>w</sup>**music:** beautiful \*sounds that hearing people listen to when they sing and dance.

[\*drawing # 71]

<sup>x</sup>**song:** the words that people sing when they \*praise God or ask Him for help.

<sup>y</sup>**wine-press:** a place where people \*trample grapes to get the \*juice to make wine.

[\*drawing # 77]

<sup>z</sup>**psalm:** a \*song that people sing to \*praise God or to \*pray to Him.

<sup>a</sup>**earth:** the world, the \*land and sea. [\*drawing # 172]

<sup>b</sup>**sky:** above us, where the \*clouds, sun and stars are. [\*drawing # 57]

<sup>c</sup>**King:** God is King over all, everyone must \*serve and \*worship Him.

<sup>d</sup>**rule:** when God is \*King over all people.

<sup>e</sup>**even:** also or more than the other.

<sup>f</sup>**enemies:** people who hate you or fight \*against you.

<sup>g</sup>**keep quiet:** when you don't speak or make a \*noise.

<sup>3</sup> When I look at the <sup>h</sup>sky  
that You made with your fingers,  
I see the moon and the stars  
that You put where they must be.

Then I think:

<sup>4</sup> Why do You think about people?

They are all <sup>i</sup>worthless.

Why are people <sup>j</sup>important to You?

Why do You <sup>k</sup>care about them?

<sup>5</sup> You have made them

<sup>l</sup>almost as <sup>m</sup>important as the <sup>n</sup>angels.

You have given them <sup>o</sup>honour

and put <sup>p</sup>crowns on their heads.

<sup>6</sup> You have told them to <sup>q</sup>rule

over everything that You have made.

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<sup>h</sup>**sky**: above us, where the \*clouds, sun and stars are. [\*drawing # 57]

<sup>i</sup>**worthless**: something that is no good, you can \*throw it away. [\*drawing # 110]

<sup>j</sup>**important**: something or someone that you think about all the time and don't forget.

<sup>k</sup>**care**: to help and \*protect someone or look after something.

<sup>l</sup>**almost**: to be near something, but you are not there \*yet. [\*drawing # 176]

<sup>m</sup>**important**: something or someone that you think about all the time and don't forget.

<sup>n</sup>**angel**: a \*servant of God who sometimes brings \*messages to people. \*Cherub-angels also had \*wings. [\*drawing # 4]

<sup>o</sup>**honour**: to \*respect something or someone and to show that he is good and \*important.

<sup>p</sup>**crown**: the beautiful hat of a \*king or \*queen made of gold and \*jewels.

[\*drawing # 27]

<sup>q</sup>**rule**: when a \*king or \*leader tells his people what they must do. [\*drawing # 27]

You <sup>r</sup>appointed them  
to be the <sup>s</sup>head over all things,  
<sup>7</sup> over the sheep and <sup>t</sup>cattle,  
over all the <sup>u</sup>wild animals,  
<sup>8</sup> over the birds in the <sup>v</sup>sky and  
over the fish in the water.  
<sup>9</sup> \*Lord our God, your name  
is the most wonderful name on <sup>w</sup>earth.

## 23

### The \*Lord is my \*Shepherd

*This is a <sup>y</sup>Psalm of David.*

<sup>1</sup> The \*Lord is my <sup>z</sup>Shepherd.  
He <sup>a</sup>cares for me,  
and I have everything that I need.  
<sup>2</sup> He makes me lie down and <sup>b</sup>rest  
in green <sup>c</sup>fields

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<sup>r</sup>**appoint:** to \*choose someone and give him work to do.

<sup>s</sup>**head:** \*leader, first, most \*important. [\*drawing # 120]

<sup>t</sup>**cattle:** cows and \*bulls. [\*drawing # 139]

<sup>u</sup>**wild animals:** animals that live in the \*field, like lions and bucks. [\*drawing # 134]

<sup>v</sup>**sky:** above us, where the \*clouds, sun and stars are. [\*drawing # 57]

<sup>w</sup>**earth:** the world, the \*land and sea. [\*drawing # 172]

<sup>x</sup>**Shepherd:** God who \*cares for the \*believers like a \*shepherd cares for his sheep.

<sup>y</sup>**psalm:** a \*song that people sing to \*praise God or to \*pray to Him.

<sup>z</sup>**Shepherd:** God who \*cares for the \*believers like a \*shepherd cares for his sheep.

<sup>a</sup>**care:** to help and \*protect someone or look after something.

<sup>b</sup>**rest:** to stop working or to lie down or sleep. [\*drawing # 51]

<sup>c</sup>**field:** \*land outside a town, there are no houses, only grass and animals.

[\*drawing # 139]

where the water is <sup>d</sup>calm.

<sup>3</sup>The \*Lord gives me new <sup>e</sup>strength.

He teaches me to <sup>f</sup>live in the right way

because I <sup>g</sup>belong to Him.

<sup>4</sup>Even if I walk <sup>i</sup>through

a deep and dark <sup>j</sup>valley,

I will not be <sup>k</sup>afraid, because You,

O \*Lord, are with me.

You <sup>l</sup>protect me like a <sup>m</sup>shepherd

protects his sheep

with his <sup>n</sup>stick and his <sup>o</sup>staff.

<sup>5</sup>You <sup>p</sup>invite me to sit at your table,

but my <sup>q</sup>enemies may only

stand far away and look.

You make me feel <sup>r</sup>important,

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<sup>d</sup>**calm:** still and \*peaceful, with no \*noise or problems.

<sup>e</sup>**strength:** the power that someone has that makes him strong.

<sup>f</sup>**live right, in the right way:** doing things that God wants you to do.

<sup>g</sup>**belong:** to be the people of God or part of the people who \*serve Him.

<sup>h</sup>**even:** also or more than the other.

<sup>i</sup>**through:** to start at one side and go to the other side. [\*drawing # 99]

<sup>j</sup>**valley:** flat \*land \*between \*mountains and \*hills. [\*drawing # 158]

<sup>k</sup>**afraid:** to worry because you think something bad will happen.

<sup>l</sup>**protect:** to help someone, keep him \*safe and stop his \*enemies. [\*drawing # 57]

<sup>m</sup>**shepherd:** a person who takes \*care of sheep in the \*field. [\*drawing # 138]

<sup>n</sup>**stick:** a thin \*piece of wood. [\*drawing # 31]

<sup>o</sup>**staff:** a \*stick that \*shepherds use when they look after sheep. [\*drawing # 138]

<sup>p</sup>**invite:** to ask a person to come to you, your home or \*feast.

<sup>q</sup>**enemies:** people who hate you or fight \*against you.

<sup>r</sup>**important:** a person who can tell other people what they must do.

and You make me <sup>s</sup>enjoy everything.  
<sup>6</sup> You will love me and  
be good to me for as long as I live.  
I will always come back  
to your <sup>\*</sup>temple  
and live in the <sup>t</sup>house\_of\_the\_Lord <sup>u</sup>forever.

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<sup>s</sup>**enjoy:** to like doing something, to be happy with it.

<sup>t</sup>**house\_of\_the\_Lord:** the place where people <sup>\*</sup>worshipped God in the  
<sup>\*</sup>Old\_Testament. [<sup>\*</sup>drawing # 7]

<sup>u</sup>**forever:** it will go on and on, it will never stop.