

SSS 4
Book 4
Psalms 90-106

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Psalm 106

¹Praise the LORD!

Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for *He is good!*
For His mercy *endures* forever.

²Who can utter the mighty acts of the LORD?
Who can declare all His praise?

³Blessed *are* those who keep justice,
And he who does righteousness at all times!

⁴Remember me, O LORD, with the favour *You have toward* Your people.
Oh, visit me with Your salvation,

⁵That I may see the benefit of Your chosen ones,
That I may rejoice in the gladness of Your nation,
That I may glory with Your inheritance.

⁶We have sinned with our fathers,
We have committed iniquity,
We have done wickedly.

⁷Our fathers in Egypt did not understand Your wonders;
They did not remember the multitude of Your mercies,
But rebelled by the sea—the Red Sea.

⁸Nevertheless He saved them for His name's sake,
That He might make His mighty power known.

⁹He rebuked the Red Sea also, and it dried up;
So He led them through the depths,
As through the wilderness.

¹⁰He saved them from the hand of him who hated *them*,
And redeemed them from the hand of the enemy.

¹¹ The waters covered their enemies;
There was not one of them left.

¹² Then they believed His words;
They sang His praise.

¹³ They soon forgot His works;
They did not wait for His counsel,

¹⁴ But lusted exceedingly in the wilderness,
And tested God in the desert.

¹⁵ And He gave them their request,
But sent leanness into their soul.

¹⁶ When they envied Moses in the camp,
And Aaron the saint of the LORD,

¹⁷ The earth opened up and swallowed Dathan,
And covered the faction of Abiram.

¹⁸ A fire was kindled in their company;
The flame burned up the wicked.

¹⁹ They made a calf in Horeb,
And worshiped the moulded image.

²⁰ Thus they changed their glory
Into the image of an ox that eats grass.

²¹ They forgot God their Savior,
Who had done great things in Egypt,

²² Wondrous works in the land of Ham,
Awesome things by the Red Sea.

²³ Therefore He said that He would destroy them,
Had not Moses His chosen one stood before Him in the breach,
To turn away His wrath, lest He destroy *them*.

²⁴ Then they despised the pleasant land;
They did not believe His word,

²⁵ But complained in their tents,
And did not heed the voice of the LORD.

²⁶ Therefore He raised His hand *in an oath* against them,
To overthrow them in the wilderness,

²⁷ To overthrow their descendants among the ^(a)nations,
And to scatter them in the lands.

²⁸ They joined themselves also to Baal of Peor,
And ate sacrifices made to the dead.

²⁹ Thus they provoked *Him* to anger with their deeds,
And the plague broke out among them.

³⁰ Then Phinehas stood up and intervened,
And the plague was stopped.

³¹ And that was accounted to him for righteousness
To all generations forevermore.

Psalm 106:1-31

INTRODUCTORY WORDS OF EXHORTATION

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Who can declare all His praise?*

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Psalm 106:1-3

1. A Call

- a) To praise the LORD
- b) To give thanks to God

2. Reasons

- a) He is good
- b) His mercy endures forever
- c) His many mighty acts

3. The Blessed

- a) Those who uphold justice
- b) Those who practise righteousness

A PERSONAL ELEMENT

*⁴ Remember me, O LORD, with the favour You have toward Your people.
Oh, visit me with Your salvation,*

*⁵ That I may see the benefit of Your chosen ones,
That I may rejoice in the gladness of Your nation,
That I may glory with Your inheritance.*

Psalms 106:4-5

- 1. A prayer for favour
- 2. A plea for salvation (deliverance)
- 3. To behold the benefits of God's chosen ones
- 4. To rejoice in gladness together with the nation
- 5. To glory in God's inheritance (Israel)

CONFESSION AND IDENTIFICATION

⁶ *We have sinned with our fathers,
We have committed iniquity,
We have done wickedly.*

⁷ *Our fathers in Egypt did not understand Your wonders;
They did not remember the multitude of Your mercies,
But rebelled by the sea—the Red Sea.*

Psalm 106:6-7

1. Sin confessed candidly

- a) Iniquity
- b) Wickedness
- c) Did not understand
- d) Did not remember

2. Identification

- a) "We have sinned"
- b) "With our fathers"

THE DELIVERANCE OF ISRAEL REMEMBERED

⁸ *Nevertheless He saved them for His name's sake,
That He might make His mighty power known.*

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So He led them through the depths,
As through the wilderness.*

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And redeemed them from the hand of the enemy.*

*11 The waters covered their enemies;
There was not one of them left.*

Psalm 106:8-11

1. Two reasons why God saved Israel

- a) For the sake of His own name
 - i) He had given a promise to Abraham
 - ii) He had promised to deliver Israel
 - iii) For His own name's sake, He would deliver
- b) To make known the greatness of His power
 - i) To Egypt
 - ii) To the children of Israel

2. Key verbs

- a) He saved
- b) He rebuked
- c) He led
- d) He redeemed

3. The Power of God

- a) Miraculous protection
- b) Faithful provision

THE RESPONSES OF THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL

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They sang His praise.*

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Psalm 106:12-22

1. Good but short-lived response

a) They believed

b) They sang God's praise Exodus 15

2. The many sins of the children of Israel

- a) They forgot
- b) They did not wait for His counsel
- c) They lusted after food
- d) They tested God

3. God's grace and mercy shown

- a) He gave them what they desired
- b) But there was leanness of their soul

4. Rebellion against Moses and Aaron

- a) Dathan
- b) Abiram
- c) The sons of Korah Numbers 16

5. The worship of a golden calf

- a) In Mount Horeb (Sinai) Exodus 32
- b) They forgot God their Saviour
- c) And all that He had done in Egypt