

# Psalm 69

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To the chief Musician upon Shoshannim, *A Psalm* of David.

<sup>1</sup> **S**AVE me, O God; for the waters are come in unto *my* soul.

<sup>2</sup> I sink in deep mire, where *there is* no standing: I am come into deep waters, where the floods overflow me.

<sup>3</sup> I am weary of my crying: my throat is dried: mine eyes fail while I wait for my God.

<sup>4</sup> They that hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of mine head: they that would destroy me, *being* mine enemies wrongfully, are mighty: then I restored *that* which I took not away.

<sup>5</sup> O God, thou knowest my foolishness; and my sins are not hid from thee.

<sup>6</sup> Let not them that wait on thee, O Lord GOD of hosts, be ashamed for my sake: let not those that seek thee be confounded for my sake, O God of Israel.

<sup>7</sup> Because for thy sake I have borne reproach; shame hath covered my face.

<sup>8</sup> I am become a stranger unto my brethren, and an alien unto my mother's children.

<sup>9</sup> For the zeal of thine house hath eaten me up; and the

reproaches of them that reproached thee are fallen upon me.

<sup>10</sup> When I wept, *and chastened* my soul with fasting, that was to my reproach.

<sup>11</sup> I made sackcloth also my garment; and I became a proverb to them.

<sup>12</sup> They that sit in the gate speak against me; and I *was* the song of the drunkards.

<sup>13</sup> But as for me, my prayer *is* unto thee, O LORD, *in* an acceptable time: O God, in the multitude of thy mercy hear me, in the truth of thy salvation.

<sup>14</sup> Deliver me out of the mire, and let me not sink: let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.

<sup>15</sup> Let not the waterflood overflow me, neither let the deep swallow me up, and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.

<sup>16</sup> Hear me, O LORD; for thy lovingkindness *is* good: turn unto me according to the multitude of thy tender mercies.

<sup>17</sup> And hide not thy face from thy servant; for I am in trouble: hear me speedily.

<sup>18</sup> Draw nigh unto my soul, *and* redeem it: deliver me because of mine enemies.

<sup>19</sup> Thou hast known my reproach, and my shame, and my dishonour: mine adversaries *are* all before thee.

<sup>20</sup> Reproach hath broken my heart; and I am full of heaviness: and I looked *for some* to take pity, but *there was*

none; and for comforters, but I found none.

<sup>21</sup> They gave me also gall for my meat; and in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.

<sup>22</sup> Let their table become a snare before them: and *that which should have been for their welfare, let it become a trap.*

<sup>23</sup> Let their eyes be darkened, that they see not; and make their loins continually to shake.

<sup>24</sup> Pour out thine indignation upon them, and let thy wrathful anger take hold of them.

<sup>25</sup> Let their habitation be desolate; *and* let none dwell in their tents.

<sup>26</sup> For they persecute *him* whom thou hast smitten; and they talk to the grief of those whom thou hast wounded.

<sup>27</sup> Add iniquity unto their iniquity: and let them not come into thy righteousness.

<sup>28</sup> Let them be blotted out of the book of the living, and not be written with the righteous.

<sup>29</sup> But I *am* poor and sorrowful: let thy salvation, O God, set me up on high.

<sup>30</sup> I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify him with thanksgiving.

<sup>31</sup> *This* also shall please the LORD better than an ox *or* bullock that hath horns and hoofs.

<sup>32</sup> The humble shall see *this, and* be glad: and your heart

shall live that seek God.

<sup>33</sup> For the LORD heareth the poor, and despiseth not his prisoners.

<sup>34</sup> Let the heaven and earth praise him, the seas, and every thing that moveth therein.

<sup>35</sup> For God will save Zion, and will build the cities of Judah: that they may dwell there, and have it in possession.

<sup>36</sup> The seed also of his servants shall inherit it: and they that love his name shall dwell therein.