

# Psalm 68

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## God's Enemies Are Scattered

<sup>1</sup>For the Leader. A Psalm of David, a Song. Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered; And let them that hate Him flee before Him.

<sup>2</sup>As smoke is driven away, so drive them away; As wax melteth before the fire, So let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

**3**But let the righteous be glad, let them exult before God; Yea, let them rejoice with gladness.

**4**Sing unto God, sing praises to His name; Extol Him that rideth upon the skies, whose name is the LORD; And exult ye before Him.

**5**A father of the fatherless, and a judge of the widows, Is God in His holy habitation.

**6**God maketh the solitary to dwell in a house; He bringeth out the prisoners into prosperity; The rebellious dwell but in a parched land.

**7**O God, when Thou wentest forth before Thy people, When Thou didst march through the wilderness; Selah

**8**The earth trembled, the heavens also dropped at the presence of God; Even yon Sinai trembled at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

**9**A bounteous rain didst Thou pour down, O God; When Thine inheritance was weary, Thou didst confirm it.

**10**Thy flock settled therein; Thou didst prepare in Thy goodness for the poor, O God.

**11**The Lord giveth the word; The women that proclaim the tidings are a great host.

**12**Kings of armies flee, they flee; And she that tarrieth at home divideth the spoil.

**13**When ye lie among the sheepfolds, The wings of the dove are covered with silver, And her pinions with the shimmer of gold.

**14**When the Almighty scattereth kings therein, It snoweth in Zalmon.

**15**A mountain of God is the mountain of Bashan; A mountain of peaks is the mountain of Bashan.

**16**Why look ye askance, ye mountains of peaks, At the mountain which God hath desired for His abode? Yea, the LORD will dwell therein for ever.

**17**The chariots of God are myriads, even thousands upon thousands; The Lord is among them, as in Sinai, in holiness.

**18**Thou hast ascended on high, Thou hast led captivity captive; Thou hast received gifts among men, Yea, among the rebellious also, that the LORD God might dwell there.

**19**Blessed be the Lord, day by day He beareth our burden, Even the God who is our salvation. Selah

**20**God is unto us a God of deliverances; And unto GOD the Lord belong the issues of death.

**21**Surely God will smite through the head of His enemies, The hairy scalp of him that goeth about in his guiltiness.

**22**The Lord said: `I will bring back from Bashan, I will bring them back from the depths of the sea;

**23**That thy foot may wade through blood, That the tongue of thy dogs may have its portion from thine enemies.'

**24**They see Thy goings, O God, Even the goings of my God, my King, in holiness.

**25**The singers go before, the minstrels follow after, In the midst of damsels playing upon timbrels.

**26**Bless ye God in full assemblies, Even the Lord, ye that are from the fountain of Israel.'

**27**There is Benjamin, the youngest, ruling them, The princes of Judah their council, The princes of Zebulun, the princes of Naphtali.

**28**Thy God hath commanded thy strength; Be strong, O God, Thou that hast wrought for us

**29**Out of Thy temple at Jerusalem, Whither kings shall bring presents unto Thee.

**30**Rebuke the wild beast of the reeds, The multitude of the bulls, with the calves of the peoples, Every one submitting himself with pieces of silver; He hath scattered the peoples that delight in war!

**31**Nobles shall come out of Egypt; Ethiopia shall hasten to stretch out her hands unto God.

**32**Sing unto God, ye kingdoms of the earth; O sing praises unto the Lord; Selah

**33**To Him that rideth upon the heavens of heavens, which are of old; Lo, He uttereth His voice, a mighty voice.

**34**Ascribe ye strength unto God; His majesty is over Israel, And His strength is in the skies.

**35**Awful is God out of thy holy places; The God of Israel, He giveth strength and power unto the people; Blessed be God.