

Psalm 71

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Be My Rock of Refuge

- 1 In Thee, O LORD, have I taken refuge; Let me never be ashamed.
- 2 Deliver me in Thy righteousness, and rescue me; Incline Thine ear unto me, and save me.
- 3 Be Thou to me a sheltering rock, whereunto I may continually resort, Which Thou hast appointed to save me; For Thou art my rock and my fortress.
- 4 O my God, rescue me out of the hand of the wicked, Out of the grasp of the unrighteous and ruthless man.
- 5 For Thou art my hope; O Lord GOD, my trust from my youth.
- 6 Upon Thee have I stayed myself from birth; Thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb; My praise is continually of Thee.
- 7 I am as a wonder unto many; But Thou art my strong refuge.
- 8 My mouth shall be filled with Thy praise, And with Thy glory all the day.
- 9 Cast me not off in the time of old age; When my strength faileth, forsake me not.
- 10 For mine enemies speak concerning me, And they that watch for my soul take counsel together,
- 11 Saying: 'God hath forsaken him; Pursue and take him; for there is none to deliver.'
- 12 O God, be not far from me; O my God, make haste to help me.
- 13 Let them be ashamed and consumed that are adversaries to my soul; Let them be covered with reproach and confusion that seek my hurt.
- 14 But as for me, I will hope continually, And will praise Thee yet more and more.
- 15 My mouth shall tell of Thy righteousness, And of Thy salvation all the day; For I know not the numbers thereof.
- 16 I will come with Thy mighty acts, O Lord GOD; I will make mention of Thy righteousness, even of Thine only.
- 17 O God, Thou hast taught me from my youth; And until now do I declare Thy wondrous works.
- 18 And even unto old age and hoary hairs, O God, forsake me not; Until I have declared Thy strength unto the next generation, Thy might to every one that is to come.
- 19 Thy righteousness also, O God, which reacheth unto high heaven; Thou who hast done great things, O God, who is like unto Thee?
- 20 Thou, who hast made me to see many and sore troubles, Wilt quicken me again, and bring me up again from the depths of the earth.
- 21 Thou wilt increase my greatness, And turn and comfort me.

22I also will give thanks unto Thee with the psaltery, Even unto Thy truth, O my God; I will sing praises unto Thee with the harp, O Thou Holy One of Israel.

23My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing praises unto Thee; And my soul, which Thou hast redeemed.

24My tongue also shall tell of Thy righteousness all the day; For they are ashamed, for they are abashed, that seek my hurt.