

PSALMS 88

PSALMS 88:1

1 ¶ A Song or Psalm for the sons of Korah, to the chief Musician upon Mahalath Leannoth, Maschil of Heman the Ezrahite. O LORD God of my salvation, I have cried day *and* night before thee:

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2 Let my prayer come before thee: incline thine ear unto my cry;

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3 For my soul is full of troubles: and my life draweth nigh unto the grave.

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4 I am counted with them that go down into the pit: I am as a man *that hath* no strength:

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5 Free among the dead, like the slain that lie in the grave, whom thou rememberest no more: and they are cut off from thy hand.

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6 Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit, in darkness, in the deeps.

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7 Thy wrath lieth hard upon me, and thou hast afflicted *me* with all thy waves. Selah.

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8 Thou hast put away mine acquaintance far from me; thou hast made me an abomination unto them: *I am* shut up, and I cannot come forth.

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9 Mine eye mourneth by reason of affliction: LORD, I have called daily upon thee, I have stretched out my hands unto thee.

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10 ¶ Wilt thou shew wonders to the dead? shall the dead arise *and* praise thee? Selah.

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11 Shall thy lovingkindness be declared in the grave? *or* thy faithfulness in destruction?

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12 Shall thy wonders be known in the dark? and thy righteousness in the land of forgetfulness?

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13 But unto thee have I cried, O LORD; and in the morning shall my prayer prevent thee.

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14 LORD, why castest thou off my soul? *why* hidest thou thy face from me?

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15 I *am* afflicted and ready to die from *my* youth up: *while* I suffer thy terrors I am distracted.

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16 Thy fierce wrath goeth over me; thy terrors have cut me off.

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17 They came round about me daily like water; they compassed me about together.

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18 Lover and friend hast thou put far from me, *and* mine acquaintance into darkness.