

A Study of the Psalms

Psalm 124 - 127

Psalm 127:3-5

Psalm 120-134

- Psalms 120-134 are called “Songs of Ascent.”
 - These psalms may have been sung as pilgrims made their way to Jerusalem to worship the Lord.
 - All ceremonially clean and able-bodied men were required to journey to Jerusalem each year for all three feasts.
 - Passover
 - Feast of Weeks (Pentecost or Harvest Feast)
 - Feast of Tabernacles (Feast of Booths)

Psalm 124

- The Lord the Defense of His People.
- God alone the deliverer. vs 1-5

Psalm 124

- 1 “If it had not been the LORD who was on our side,” Let Israel now say—
- 2 “If it had not been the LORD who was on our side, When men rose up against us,
- 3 Then they would have swallowed us alive, When their wrath was kindled against us;

Psalm 124

- 4 Then the waters would have overwhelmed us, The stream would have gone over our soul;
- 5 Then the swollen waters Would have gone over our soul.”

Psalm 124

- The Lord the Defense of His People.
 - God alone the deliverer. vs 1-5
 - Praise to the deliverer. vs 6-8

Psalm 124

- 6 Blessed be the LORD, Who has not given us as prey to their teeth.
- 7 Our soul has escaped as a bird from the snare of the fowlers; The snare is broken, and we have escaped.
- 8 Our help is in the name of the LORD, Who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 125

- *The Lord the Defense of His People.*
 - *God alone the deliverer. vs 1-5*
 - *Praise to the deliverer. vs 6-8*
- The Lord the Strength of His People.

Psalm 125

- 1 Those who trust in the LORD Are like Mount Zion, Which cannot be moved, but abides forever.
- 2 As the mountains surround Jerusalem, So the LORD surrounds His people From this time forth and forever.
- 3 For the scepter of wickedness shall not rest On the land allotted to the righteous, Lest the righteous reach out their hands to iniquity.

Psalm 125

- 4 Do good, O LORD, to those who are good,
And to those who are upright in their
hearts.
- 5 As for such as turn aside to their crooked
ways, The LORD shall lead them away
With the workers of iniquity. Peace be upon
Israel!

Psalm 126

- *The Lord the Defense of His People.*
 - *God alone the deliverer. vs 1-5*
 - *Praise to the deliverer. vs 6-8*
- *The Lord the Strength of His People.*
- A Song of Thanks for God's Deliverance.

Psalm 126

- 1 When the LORD brought back the captivity of Zion, We were like those who dream.
- 2 Then our mouth was filled with laughter, And our tongue with singing. Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."
- 3 The LORD has done great things for us, And we are glad.

Psalm 126

- 4 Bring back our captivity, O LORD, As the streams in the South.
- 5 Those who sow in tears Shall reap in joy.
- 6 He who continually goes forth weeping, Bearing seed for sowing, Shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, Bringing his sheaves with him.

Psalm 127

- *The Lord the Defense of His People.*
 - *God alone the deliverer. vs 1-5*
 - *Praise to the deliverer. vs 6-8*
- *The Lord the Strength of His People.*
- *A Song of Thanks for God's Deliverance.*
- *The Vanity of Work Without God.*

Psalm 127

- 1 Unless the LORD builds the house, They labor in vain who build it; Unless the LORD guards the city, The watchman stays awake in vain.
- 2 It is vain for you to rise up early, To sit up late, To eat the bread of sorrows; For so He gives His beloved sleep.
- 3 Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, The fruit of the womb is a reward.

Psalm 127

- 4 Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, So are the children of one's youth.
- 5 Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them; They shall not be ashamed, But shall speak with their enemies in the gate.