### Psalms

## Chapter 72

For Solomon.  
  
A Psalm by David.  
  
  
  
  
1O God, show the king Your decisions  
 And teach the king’s son to be just,  
 2So we can judge Your people uprightly,  
 And always be fair with the poor.  
  
3May the mountains send peace to Your people,  
 And may the hills send them justice that’s true.  
 4Help [my son] to be fair with the poor…  
 May he save the sons of the needy  
 And humble all those who’d extort them.  
  
5As long as the sun, may he live…  
 For generations of generations, like the moon.  
 6May he be like dew upon fleece,  
 And as the rain that falls to the ground.  
  
7May his days stand for justice and peace  
 Until the moon is no more.  
 8From sea to sea, may he rule…  
 From the river to the ends of man’s home.  
  
9Before him, may all Ethiopians fall…  
 May his enemies all lick the dust…  
 10May the Kings of Tharsis and the islands  
 Come to him bearing all of their best…  
 May the kings of Saba and Arabia bring gifts.  
  
11May all the earth’s kings bow before him…  
 May all the nations start serving him.  
 12For he’ll save the poor from the mighty,  
 As well as the needy, who have no one else.  
  
13May he spare the poor and the needy;  
 May he save the lives of those who have little.  
 14From interest and injustice, may he ransom their souls,  
 And may his name be valued among them.  
  
15May he live a very long life,  
 And may he receive Arabian gold.  
 May he be someone who they pray for,  
 And may they praise his name every day.  
  
16Let grain be abundant throughout his land…  
 On the tops of the hills, may it sway.  
 May the grain grow like Lebanon’s trees…  
 May it thrive like grass in the fields.  
  
17May his name be praised throughout the ages…  
 May his name endure [as long as] the sun.  
 May the tribes of the earth praise his name,  
 And may all nations call him the Blest One.  
  
18Praise Jehovah, IsraEl’s God,  
 For, He’s the One who brings wonders!  
 19Throughout the ages, praise His Name and His glory,  
 And on throughout the age of the ages…  
 May the earth be filled with His glory… Amen!  
  
  
20This was the last of the hymns of David, son of JesSe [before he died].