### Psalms

## Chapter 80

To the [music] director:  
  
[Set to the tune of the song called] For the Changings.  
  
A testimony by Asaph. A Psalm about the Assyrians.  
  
  
  
  
1Pay attention, O IsraEl’s Shepherd;  
 May the One who sends cherubs arrive,  
 And to JoSeph’s sheep, serve as our guide!  
 2Awaken before Ephraim, BenJamin, and ManasSeh,  
 And use Your might for salvation!  
  
3O God,  
  
Please return to us once again…  
 Show Your face and we’ll be saved!  
 4O Jehovah, [the Great] God of armies;  
 How long will our prayers make You angry?  
  
5The bread of tears, You’ve fed us…  
 A measure of tears, we’ve been given to drink.  
 6You’ve brought us war with our neighbors,  
 And allowed our enemies to sneer in disgust.  
 7O Jehovah, God of armies;  
 Turn Your face towards us and we’ll be saved!  
  
8You removed Your grapevine from Egypt,  
 And in front of us, drove away nations,  
 To provide a place for our planting.  
 9Before us, You opened the way,  
 Then You sunk our roots deep into the ground.  
 10You gave us mountains to shade us,  
 As well as the branches of cedars.  
  
11To the sea, we then spread our limbs,  
 And we stretched our roots east towards the river.  
 12So, why have You now torn down our fences,  
 And given our fruit to all that pass by?  
 13For we’re being destroyed by boars in the woods…  
 You’re allowing pigs to consume us!  
  
14O God of armies, turn back…  
 Look down from the heavens and visit this vine!  
 15Tend to those who were planted by Your right hand…  
 For [the sake of Your Name], give strength to these men!  
  
16For, we’ve been dug up and burned…  
 By reproach from Your face, we’re being destroyed.  
 17Again, stretch Your hand towards Your people…  
 Towards these sons of men, please stretch out Your hand…  
 To these ones whom You once made mighty.  
  
18Don’t allow this separation from You…  
 Return our lives and we’ll call on Your Name.  
 19O Jehovah, God of armies;  
 Turn Your face towards us and we’ll be saved!