Ps 75:1 <<To the chief Musician, Altaschith, {Altaschith: Destroy not} 57-59, 75

A Psalm or Song of Asaph.>> Unto thee, O God, do we give thanks, unto thee do we give thanks: for that thy name is near thy wondrous works declare.

2 When I shall receive the congregation I will judge uprightly.

3 The earth and all the inhabitants thereof are dissolved: I bear up the pillars of it. Selah.

4 I said unto the fools, Deal not foolishly: and to the wicked, Lift not up the horn:

5 Lift not up your horn on high: speak not with a stiff neck.

6 For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south.

7 But God is the judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up another.

8 For in the hand of the LORD there is a cup, and the wine is red; it is full of mixture; and he poureth out of the same: but the dregs thereof, all the wicked of the earth shall wring them out, and drink them.

9 But I will declare for ever; I will sing praises to the God of Jacob.

10 All the horns of the wicked also will I cut off; but the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.

* God is God—The Supreme God of All-The Almighty God
* Father is God—Son is God —Holy Ghost is God
* God is the Lord
* Father is Lord—Son is Lord —Holy Ghost is Lord
* God is King - God is Judge - God is Powerful
  + God’s Word is Holy-Powerful
  + God’s Work is Holiness-Providential God is Holy and Just, and True in all his works.
  + God’s Way is Perfect Holiness

Ps 18:30-(50) As for God, his way is perfect: the word of the LORD is tried: he is a buckler to all those that trust in him. 31 For who is God save the LORD? or who is a rock save our God? 32 It is God that girdeth me with strength, and maketh my way perfect. 33 He maketh my feet like hinds' feet, and setteth me upon my high places.

2Co 7:1Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Ps 77:19 Thy way is in the sea, and thy path in the great waters, and thy footsteps are not known.

God’s Revealed Nature is close at home

**Ps 75:1** Unto thee, **O God**, do we give thanks, unto thee do we give thanks: for that thy name is near thy wondrous works declare.

1. The Divine Nature is ready to be revealed in the last time.

“thy name is near”

1Pe 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, 5 Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. 6 Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations: 7 That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: 8 Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:

9 Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls.

1. The Righteous shall triumph partaking of His Divine Nature

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9 But I will declare for ever; I will sing praises to the God of Jacob.

1Pe 2:9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light: 20 For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God. 21 For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: ---A Thankful king with the nation. ---A Peculiar (Purchased) People ---A Righteous Judge with the (dumb and silenced), congregation

1. True Worship is in order
   1. God’s Name is synonymous with His Person and Presence

De 4:7 For what nation is there so great, who hath God so nigh unto them, as the LORD our God is in all things that we call upon him for?

Isa 30:27 Behold, the name of the LORD cometh from far, burning with his anger, and the burden thereof is heavy: his lips are full of indignation, and his tongue as a devouring fire:

Ps 46:1 God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Ps 99:9 Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy hill; for the LORD our God is holy.

1Co 3:17 If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.

1. Promotion for the Righteous is at hand
   1. We begin with Praise and Virtue I Pt. 2:9; II Pt. 1:5; II Kings 18:1
   2. Give God Praise
      1. The Highest form of Worship is obey the Truth
         1. 2-3 The Righteous are encouraged
            1. Promotion is of the Lord

Joseph was delivered from prison/#2/Egypt

David was delivered from Saul-Philistines-(king)

Daniel from the lions to 3rd ruler in the kingdom

* + - 1. 4-5,8,10 The wicked are warned.

1. Judgment for the unrighteous is at hand
   1. 4,5,6,7,10 <ruwm> (lifting up self)
   2. God alone keeps things together v.3
   3. His Cup of wrath is in His hand v.8
   4. Three phases of wickedness are mentioned
      1. Foolishness

Pr 8:36 But he that sinneth against me wrongeth his own soul: all they that hate me love death. Eze 14:13 Son of man, when the land sinneth against me by trespassing grievously, then will I stretch out mine hand upon it, and will break the staff of the bread thereof, and will send famine upon it, and will cut off man and beast from it:

* + 1. Haughtiness
       1. Pride and arrogance make you steeped in wickedness
    2. Stiff necked obstinately proud
       1. extremely obstinate and arrogant

Foolish wicked, stiff-necked, proud, drunkard, rebellious

* + - * 1. bold, stubborn, shameless, disregard to claims of God, to the holy commandments, principles and moral laws
    1. God is near with the ministry of His Word, the work of the Holy Ghost, the voice of providence the admonition of conscience,
       1. God is near to answer the prayer of the righteous
       2. God is near to make the Word alive as it is read.
       3. God is near to To reveal His Son in us
          1. God is revealed in a flower for beauty and fragrance
          2. God is revealed in His disciples by love and unity
          3. God is revealed in the Body for Judging uprightly
          4. God is revealed in the pure for life, peace ,joy, Love; admire Him, adoer Him, commune with Him, be transformed into the same image.
          5. God is revealed in the wicked for Judgment
       4. God is near to receive our testimony

Ex 15:6 Thy right hand, O LORD, is become glorious in power: thy right hand, O LORD, hath dashed in pieces the enemy.

Ex 15:11 Who is like unto thee, O LORD, among the gods? who is like thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders? Ps 29:2 Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness. De 28:58 If thou wilt not observe to do all the words of this law that are written in this book, that thou mayest fear this glorious and fearful name, THE LORD THY GOD; 1Ch 29:13 Now therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name. Ne 9:5 Then the Levites, Jeshua, and Kadmiel, Bani, Hashabniah, Sherebiah, Hodijah, Shebaniah, and Pethahiah, said, Stand up and bless the LORD your God for ever and ever: and blessed be thy glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise.

Ps 72:19 And blessed be his glorious name for ever: and let the whole earth be filled with his glory; Amen, and Amen.

Ps 111:3 His work is honourable and glorious: and his righteousness endureth for ever. 145:5 I will speak of the glorious honour of thy majesty and of thy wondrous works 12 To make known to the sons of men his mighty acts, and the glorious majesty of his kingdom.

Isa 33:21 But there the glorious LORD will be unto us a place of broad rivers and streams; wherein shall go no galley with oars, neither shall gallant ship pass thereby. 2 O LORD, be gracious unto us; we have waited for thee: be thou their arm every morning, our salvation also in the time of trouble.

Stakes and Cords

20 Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities: thine eyes shall see Jerusalem a quiet habitation, a tabernacle that shall not be taken down; not one of the stakes thereof shall ever be removed, neither shall any of the cords thereof be broken.

Broad rivers and Streams;

21 But there the glorious LORD will be unto us a place of broad rivers and streams; wherein shall go no galley with oars, neither shall gallant ship pass thereby.

Isa. 32:1 Behold, a king shall reign in righteousness, and princes shall rule in judgment.

Isa. 33:22 For the LORD is our judge, the LORD is our lawgiver, the LORD is our king; he will save us.

Ps 75:8 For in the **hand of the LORD there is a cup**, and the **wine is red**; it **is full of mixture**; and he poureth out of the same: but the dregs thereof, all the wicked of the earth shall wring them out, and drink them.

For-God is here compared to the master of a feast, who then used to pour out drink to the several guests. Scoffed/love; brought to wrath/fierce sin/judgment

A cup-Of vengeance/malice. Red/color terrible-what/taste? to boil up; hence, to ferment (with scum) trouble, Mixture- wine is with strengthening and intoxicating ingredients.

Full of mixture. Wrath of God, remorse, memory of lost joy, fear of future, recriminations, despair, shame, etc., all these are ingredients of the mingled cup.

"The dregs" of the cup: the wrath of wrath, the gall of bitterness. The dregs of wickedness: "all wicked." Dregs-The worst and most dreadful part of those tribulations. Shall wring-This dreadful draught was brought upon them by their own choice and wickedness.

Ps 60:3 Thou hast shewed thy people hard things: thou hast made us to drink the wine of astonishment.

Ps 73:10 Therefore his people return hither: and waters of a full cup are wrung out to them.

Job 21:20 His eyes shall see his destruction, and he shall drink of the wrath of the Almighty.

Pr 23:20 Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh:

Jer 25:15 For thus saith the LORD God of Israel unto me; Take the wine cup of this fury at my hand, and cause all the nations, to whom I send thee, to drink it.

Re 14:10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:16:19 And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.

David's music man was Asaph, but this was written around the time of the fall of Jerusalem centuries later. This is obviously a different Asaph, perhaps a descendant.

1Ch 16:4 And he appointed certain of the Levites to minister before the ark of the LORD, and to record, and to thank and praise the LORD God of Israel:

5 Asaph the chief, and next to him Zechariah, Jeiel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Mattithiah, and Eliab, and Benaiah, and Obededom: and Jeiel with psalteries and with harps; but Asaph made a sound with cymbals;

6 Benaiah also and Jahaziel the priests with trumpets continually before the ark of the covenant of God. 7 Then on that day David delivered first this psalm to thank the LORD into the hand of Asaph and his brethren. 8 Give thanks unto the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the people.

9 Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him, talk ye of all his wondrous works.

10 Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD.

11 Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his face continually.

12 Remember his marvellous works that he hath done, his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth; 13 O ye seed of Israel his servant, ye children of Jacob, his chosen ones. 14 He is the LORD our God; his judgments are in all the earth.

15 Be ye mindful always of his covenant; the word which he commanded to a thousand generations;

16 Even of the covenant which he made with Abraham, and of his oath unto Isaac;

17 And hath confirmed the same to Jacob for a law, and to Israel for an everlasting covenant,

18 Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, the lot of your inheritance;

19 When ye were but few, even a few, and strangers in it.

20 And when they went from nation to nation, and from one kingdom to another people; 21 He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, he reproved kings for their sakes, 22 Saying, Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm.

23 Sing unto the LORD, all the earth; shew forth from day to day his salvation.

24 Declare his glory among the heathen; his marvellous works among all nations.

25 For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised: he also is to be feared above all gods. 26 For all the gods of the people are idols: but the LORD made the heavens. 27 Glory and honour are in his presence; strength and gladness are in his place. 28 Give unto the LORD, ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength. 29 Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name: bring an offering, and come before him: worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

30 Fear before him, all the earth: the world also shall be stable, that it be not moved. 31 Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice: and let men say among the nations, The LORD reigneth.

32 Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof: let the fields rejoice, and all that is therein.

33 Then shall the trees of the wood sing out at the presence of the LORD, because he cometh to judge the earth.

34 O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever.

35 And say ye, Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather us together, and deliver us from the heathen, that we may give thanks to thy holy name, and glory in thy praise.

36 Blessed be the LORD God of Israel for ever and ever. And all the people said, Amen, and praised the LORD.

I Ch 16:37 So he left there before the ark of the covenant of the LORD Asaph and his brethren, to minister before the ark continually, as every day's work required:

2Ch 29:30 Moreover Hezekiah the king and the princes commanded the Levites to sing praise unto the LORD with the words of David, and of Asaph the seer. And they sang praises with gladness, and they bowed their heads and worshipped.

Ezr 2:41 The singers: the children of Asaph, an hundred twenty and eight. 3:10 And when the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the LORD, they set the priests in their apparel with trumpets, and the Levites the sons of Asaph with cymbals, to praise the LORD, after the ordinance of David king of Israel. Ne 11:17 And Mattaniah the son of Micha, the son of Zabdi, the son of Asaph, was the principal to begin the thanksgiving in prayer: and Bakbukiah the second among his brethren, and Abda the son of Shammua, the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun. 22 The overseer also of the Levites at Jerusalem was Uzzi the son of Bani, the son of Hashabiah, the son of Mattaniah, the son of Micha. Of the sons of Asaph, the singers were over the business of the house of God. 12:35 And certain of the priests' sons with trumpets; namely, Zechariah the son of Jonathan, the son of Shemaiah, the son of Mattaniah, the son of Michaiah, the son of Zaccur, the son of Asaph: 46 For in the days of David and Asaph of old there were chief of the singers, and songs of praise and thanksgiving unto God.

There are really high moments in life when we realize how real and near God is

When the earth dissolves God will sustain its pillars

Our promotion is by Divine Appointment and Divine arrangement.