**PSALM 81**

Deus stetit.

*An exhortation to judges and men in power.*

**1** A psalm for Asaph. God hath stood in the congregation of gods: and being in the midst of them he judgeth gods.

**2** How long will you judge unjustly: and accept the persons of the wicked?

**3** Judge for the needy and fatherless: do justice to the humble and the poor.

**4** Rescue the poor; and deliver the needy out of the hand of the sinner.

**5** They have not known nor understood: they walk on in darkness: all the foundations of the earth shall be moved.

**6** I have said: You are gods and all of you the sons of the most High.

**7** But you like men shall die: and shall fall like one of the princes.

**8** Arise, O God, judge thou the earth: for thou shalt inherit among all the nations.