Ps 132

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| 1 (A Song of Ascents. By David) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Behold, how good and how delightful it is  when brothers dwell together in unity! | Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together! |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 It is like the precious oil on the head  running down to the beard,  to Aaron’s beard,  running down to the edge of his garment. | Like precious ointment upon the head, which comes down upon the beard, the beard of Aaron: which comes down to the edge of his garment; |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 It is like the dew of Hermon  that descends on the mountains of Zion.[[1]](#footnote-1)  for there[[2]](#footnote-2) the Lord has enjoined the blessing  of eternal life. | as the dew of Hermon, which comes down upon the mountain of Zion: for there the Lord has commanded the blessing, and life for evermore. Alleluia. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. As oil falls first on the priest’s head and then runs to the edge of his clothing, and as dew falls first on the highest mountain and then the hill of Zion, so God’s blessings flow from Zion to all the land. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. There: ‘among brothers living together in unity on Zion, for there on the holy Apostles was sent down the life-giving dew of the All-Holy Spirit, from Whom all believers reap eternal blessing’ (St Athanasius). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)