

## 72 Endow the king with justice

1 En - dow the king with jus - tice, Lord, the roy - al son with right-eous - ness.  
 2 As long as sun and moon en - dure, so will he live time with - out end.  
 3 From sea to sea he will hold sway and from the riv - er to earth's end.

Your peo - ple, your af - flict - ed ones, he'll judge with truth and up - right - ness.  
 He'll be like show - ers on the earth, like rains that on mown fields de - scend.  
 His en - e - mies will lick the dust, and des - ert tribes the knee will bend.

The moun - tains will bring peace to them, the hills the fruit of right - eous - ness.  
 The right - eous then will blos - som forth through - out his ev - er - last - ing reign.  
 Then Tar - shish and the dis - tant shores will send the trib - ute of their kings;

He will de fend and save the poor, and crush all those who them op - press.  
 Un - til the moon no lon - ger shines, peace in a - bun - dance will re - main.  
 She - ba's and Se - ba's kings will come and bring to him their of - fer - ings.

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- 4 All kings will humbly bow to him,  
and nations worship him with fear.  
He'll save the needy when they call,  
the poor for whom no help is near.  
He will take pity on the weak  
and save them from oppressive might.  
He'll rescue them from violence;  
their blood is precious in his sight.
- 5 Long may he live! May Sheba's gold  
be given to him abundantly!  
May people ever pray for him  
and bless his name continually.  
Let grain abound throughout the land,  
the tops of hills their harvest yield;  
may they bear fruit like Lebanon  
and thrive as grass grows in the field.
- 6 Forever may his name endure;  
may it continue as the sun.  
All nations will be blest in him,  
whom they will call the blessed one.  
Praise to the LORD – to Israel's God;  
his awesome deeds proclaim to men.  
His name be praised eternally,  
his glory fill the earth. Amen!