

Psalm 107

Thanksgiving for Deliverance from Many Troubles

¹O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever.
²Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,
those he redeemed from trouble
³and gathered in from the lands,
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.^[a]
⁴Some wandered in desert wastes,
finding no way to an inhabited town;
⁵hungry and thirsty,
their soul fainted within them.
⁶Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,
and he delivered them from their distress;
⁷he led them by a straight way,
until they reached an inhabited town.
⁸Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love,
for his wonderful works to humankind.
⁹For he satisfies the thirsty,
and the hungry he fills with good things.
¹⁰Some sat in darkness and in gloom,
prisoners in misery and in irons,
¹¹for they had rebelled against the words of God,
and spurned the counsel of the Most High.
¹²Their hearts were bowed down with hard labor;
they fell down, with no one to help.
¹³Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,
and he saved them from their distress;
¹⁴he brought them out of darkness and gloom,
and broke their bonds asunder.
¹⁵Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love,
for his wonderful works to humankind.
¹⁶For he shatters the doors of bronze,
and cuts in two the bars of iron.
¹⁷Some were sick^[b] through their sinful ways,
and because of their iniquities endured affliction;
¹⁸they loathed any kind of food,
and they drew near to the gates of death.
¹⁹Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,
and he saved them from their distress;
²⁰he sent out his word and healed them,
and delivered them from destruction.
²¹Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love,
for his wonderful works to humankind.

²²And let them offer thanksgiving sacrifices,
and tell of his deeds with songs of joy.
²³Some went down to the sea in ships,
doing business on the mighty waters;
²⁴they saw the deeds of the Lord,
his wondrous works in the deep.
²⁵For he commanded and raised the stormy wind,
which lifted up the waves of the sea.
²⁶They mounted up to heaven, they went down to the
depths;
their courage melted away in their calamity;
²⁷they reeled and staggered like drunkards,
and were at their wits' end.
²⁸Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,
and he brought them out from their distress;
²⁹he made the storm be still,
and the waves of the sea were hushed.
³⁰Then they were glad because they had quiet,
and he brought them to their desired haven.
³¹Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love,
for his wonderful works to humankind.
³²Let them extol him in the congregation of the
people,
and praise him in the assembly of the elders.
³³He turns rivers into a desert,
springs of water into thirsty ground,
³⁴a fruitful land into a salty waste,
because of the wickedness of its inhabitants.
³⁵He turns a desert into pools of water,
a parched land into springs of water.
³⁶And there he lets the hungry live,
and they establish a town to live in;
³⁷they sow fields, and plant vineyards,
and get a fruitful yield.
³⁸By his blessing they multiply greatly,
and he does not let their cattle decrease.
³⁹When they are diminished and brought low
through oppression, trouble, and sorrow,
⁴⁰he pours contempt on princes
and makes them wander in trackless wastes;
⁴¹but he raises up the needy out of distress,
and makes their families like flocks.
⁴²The upright see it and are glad;
and all wickedness stops its mouth.
⁴³Let those who are wise give heed to these things,
and consider the steadfast love of the Lord.