

PSALM 62 vs 1

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This is the 2nd Psalm dedicated to Jeduthun; a Psalm which is almost a double, containing in the original the word translated **only** four times, as this does six. We will meet with two other Psalms appointed for Jeduthun: Psalms 77 and 89. **Mercy = getting what we do not deserve.**

Divisions: the Psalmist marked his own pauses, inserting Selah at the end of verse 4 (1-4) and verse 8 (5-8). His confidence in God laughs at all his enemies. When this Psalm was composed is not necessary for us to know; since faith is always in season, and is under trial; moreover the sentiments here uttered are suitable to occasions which are frequent in a believer's life, and therefore no historic incident is needed for explanation:— Charles Spurgeon.



To the Chief Musician, to Jeduthun,

A Psalm of David

¹ **Truly** / the adverb in Hebrew: **ak**, meaning, **only** -- **alone** in its class or kind, individual; or **surely** -- confidently: this word appears 6 times in this Psalm. This verse could be read several ways:

Only my soul waits in silence on God,

My soul **only** waits in silence on God,

My soul waits in silence on God, **only** from Him comes my **Salvation** / it is always best to begin with God, and then we may confront our enemies. In Hebrew: my **yeshua**, where we get the name for **Jesus**... our great Savior; our great Deliverer. So David knew what Paul and Peter knew: the great king, knew salvation didn't come from any earthly government.

it is okay to silently wait upon God; to hear His voice; to know and recall and take to heart... His thoughts, and His ways... instead of running around inserting our better ideas and plans.

Peter tells us, the Lord's lack of response, his apparent slowness, is that we all come to a changed mind... which leads to a changed heart... resulting in salvation; all He is saving us from... most frequently as a result of our faulty, impulsive natures; as well as all He is saving us to.

Isaiah said long ago, No eye has seen, no ear has heard, nor has it entered into the imagination of any one... all the Lord has prepared for those who wait on him. it is okay to silently wait upon God, as a friend;

² **He only** is my Rock and my **Salvation**, my Defense; **I will not be greatly moved** / for a second time: my **yeshua**, my **Jesus**; / meditate upon these 3 names of the Lord; our Rock, our Salvation; our mighty Fortress... and confidently realize no injury is permanent to whatever they design against us.

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³ **How long will you imagine evil against a man?** / how long will you work your nefarious designs? David pauses with a word for his enemies... and remember what he says is sung publicly ... today it would be sung on the social media; because David knew... sooner or later:

As a bowing wall, or tottering fence... you will be slain all of you.

⁴ They **only** consult to cast him down from his high position:

They **delight in lies**, they speak blessings, **but inwardly, they curse** / by their lies and duplicity they strategize to depose him and seize his position... a position appointed by the Lord God. It is the way of the angry world... even the angry church world; things don't change much, do they?

Selah, pause and think about it. Take a musical interlude; a few measures... to pause and think about what was just said. A wall, when ill built, bulges out in its center. David predicts they will all be brought to unexpected and utter destruction; like a wall badly constructed, and hollow in the interior, which falls with a sudden crash, and breaks by its own weight into a thousand pieces – John Calvin.

⁵ **My soul, wait on God only** / the psalmist submits to God; he has a conversation within himself: something we all should do. Talk to our mind; talk to our heart. Take charge! Paul said, by refreshing our thoughts toward God... why Jesus told his students to change their thinking. He knew what advertisers know... who spend millions to assault our minds and take in their images. Don't believe all the advertisements ... invented **not** for you, but for your \$\$\$\$. Jesus knew there is a battle for our minds: without a changed mind... there will be no changed heart. Push away all the noise; Learn to wait upon God; He who only is worshiped in spirit and truth.

for my expectation is from Him / expect a good outcome from Him; who has declared Himself.

⁶ He **only**, is my Rock and my **Salvation** / for a 3rd time he sings of his **Yeshua**:

my mighty Fortress; I will not be moved / I won't budge an inch; notice confidence is growing.

⁷ **In God, I am saved and glory** / in Hebrew diminutive: yesa... my **Jesus**; our salvation is our reason to boast; and though David didn't know all the implications of what he was inspired to write, David knew Messiah would come one day with his government and make all things right.

the Rock of my strength, my Refuge in God / He is my place of safety... empowering, giving strength... my place is in the Rock of my Salvation; where we brag about our great God.

⁸ **Lean on Him at all times, you people; pour out your heart before Him** / in Hebrew: *batach*, which means: place your full weight on him... like leaning on a crutch if you are injured; or leaning on a walking stick... advancing along the path; Isaiah wrote: For thus says the high and lofty One... whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place; also with him who is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the brokenhearted -- **Isaiah 57**:

God is our Refuge.

Selah, pause and think about it. The excellency of doing right is obnoxious to those who do wrong; doing right is the envy of the baser sort who labor... to pull down to their own level; if they could ruin the work, they would be content. They delight in lies; hence they hate truth; and by deception they seek to takeover; to crush character and overthrow influence is the object of their meeting. But remember: God our Refuge can be trusted; and if God be for us, who but a fool, would be against us.

⁹ **Men of low degree are a vapor; and men a high degree a lie; weighed on a scale, they alike are only nothing.**

¹⁰ **Do not trust in oppression, or in robbery vainly hope** / oppressing others and stealing what is not yours... are not things to boast about:

if riches increase, do not fix your heart to them / if wealth grows... from either fair or foul means; from amassing dust collecting things rightfully or wrongfully, loose the strong attachment to stuff and things; Jesus said, one day heaven and earth will pass away; and then what? we will live forever.

¹¹ **God has spoken once, twice I heard God is powerful** / power belongs to Him; and doesn't this verse make you wonder: how many times does God need to speak? Hebrews says: God spoke in bits and pieces through the prophets... but in the last days spoke to us in His Son. Which makes me wonder; What did His Son forget to say? What did He not say... that someone else needs to say?

This verse simply suggests... the Lord God knows how to do the math... and He can put 1 + 1 together... including those who trust him... as well as those who do not; who prefer to trust themselves... thieves and robbers and conspirators included.

Power belongs to God.

¹² **Also to You O Lord belongs mercy: for You repay each one for his work.**

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