

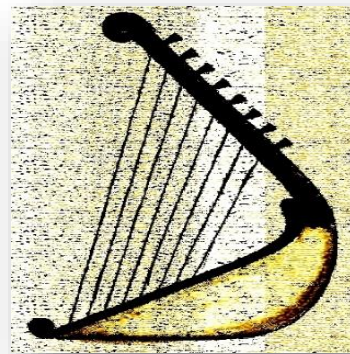
PSALM 67 vs 1

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Title: For the Chief musician, who he was does not matter. A Psalm or Song. Psalm 30 and Psalm 48 are two such Psalms, and now we have the 3rd of a little series of **four Psalms**. Psalms of pleading and longing should always be followed by praise. **Mercy = not getting what we deserve.**

A Psalm or Song. Solemnity and vivacity (soberness and liveliness) are here united. A Psalm is a song, but all songs are not Psalms: this is both the one and the other. Two Selahs are given this Psalm -- Charles Spurgeon.



For the Chief musician, on stringed instruments;

A Song, a Psalm.

¹ God be merciful to us, and help us; shine Your face on us;

Selah, pause and think about it: Mercy is the foundation of our salvation. The best of saints and worst of sinners may unite in this petition... addressed to the God of mercy.

² make Your way known on earth; among the nations Your salvation / Your Yeshua.

³ so the nations praise You, O God; all the nations praise You.

⁴ So the nations gladly sing for joy: for You judge the people rightly, and govern the nations of earth.

Selah, think about it: Nations never will be glad till they follow the leadership of the great Shepherd; they may change their mode of government from monarchies to republics, and from republics to communes, but they will retain their wretchedness until they bow before the Lord of all. We have heard hundreds and even thousands sing in chorus, but what will it be like to hear whole nations lift their voices as the noise of many waters, and like great thunders.

⁵ So the people thank You, O God; so all the nations thank You.

⁶ Then the earth will yields its crops; and God, our God blesses us.

⁷ God blesses us; that the ends of the earth will fear Him.

Think about it: **Let all the people thank You** ... our thanklessness is the cause of the earth's fruitlessness. These words are no vain repetition; but a chorus worthy to be sung again and again. The great theme of the Psalm is the participation of the Gentiles in worship of the LORD, YHWH.

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