

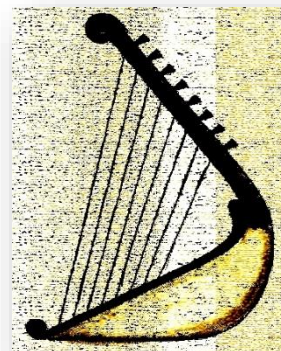
# PSALM 86 vs 1

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Here we have one of the five Psalms entitled: **prayers**: this psalm consists of praise as well as prayer. We learn from the present Psalm that the great saints of old were accustomed to pray very much in the same fashion as we do; believers in all ages are of one genus. The name of God occurs frequently in this Psalm, sometimes it is YHWH, but more commonly Adonai. **Mercy = getting what we do not deserve**

Division: the Psalm is irregular in its construction, but may be divided into three portions, each ending with a note of gratitude or of confidence: (1-7); then another pause (9-13); and continuing to the end (14-17) .



## A Prayer of David

**<sup>1</sup> O LORD extend Your ear and respond: for I am poor and needy.**

**<sup>2</sup> **Keep** my soul; for I love and trust You: O God, save Your servant who leans on You.**

**<sup>3</sup> Gracious is the LORD to me; for I call out to You all day,**

**<sup>4</sup> Who makes glad the soul of Your servant: for I lift up my soul to You, O LORD.**

**<sup>5</sup> For You O LORD, are good, ready to forgive, with great **mercy** to all who call on You.**

**<sup>6</sup> Hear my prayers O LORD; and consider my requests.**

**<sup>7</sup> In the day of my trouble I call on You: for You answer me.**

**<sup>8</sup> No one is like You among the demon gods, O LORD; and none does the works You do.**

/ think about it: David penned two types of Psalms which he highly prized as his own; one is styled David's prayer; the other David's praise; not as if he sang all his prayers, but into some he inserted prayers. David said: O God descending to the inferior of my littleness and weakness; let my life be safe from my enemies, and my spirit be safe from their temptations. There are gods by delegated office, such as magistrates and kings, but they are nothing in the presence of the Lord; there are gods of superstition, but these are vanity itself not to be compared with the living God. Even if the heathen idols were gods, none can compare to the God of Israel. What have false gods ever made? What miracles have they worked? When did they divide the sea? or march through a wilderness scattering bread from the skies? – Charles Spurgeon.

**<sup>9</sup> All nations that You made will come and worship before You, O LORD; and will boast about Your name;**

**<sup>10</sup> **for You are great, and do wondrous things: You are God alone.****

**<sup>11</sup> Teach me O LORD Your way; I will walk in Your truth: unite my heart to fear Your name.**

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**12 I will praise You, O LORD my God, with all my heart: and boast about Your name forever;**

**13 for great is Your mercy to me: and You have delivered my soul from the depths of hell.**

/ think about it: all the nations include all mankind since they come from the first Adam; they will come from every nation to worship the Lord of glory; which is not to say, everyone from all nations will come. Many find the Lord's presence intruding on their little domain. Nonetheless, men and women from every nation will come; our Great God said it, and so it will be; we see it happening in our generation, what has been going on for the millennia – to the great disappointment of the hellish enemies of God – R. Keith.

**14 O God, the arrogant rise against me, a bunch of violent men seek my soul; and do not set You before them.**

**15 But You, O LORD, are a God of mercy and grace; slow to anger full of mercy and truth;**

**16 turn to me, be gracious to me; give strength to Your servant, and save the son of Your handmaid.**

**17 Show me a token of Your goodness; that those who hate me may see it, and be ashamed: because You, O LORD helped me and comforted me.**

/ think about it: None hate good men so fiercely as do the high-minded and domineering; they hunt in packs, with keen scent and eager foot. They would not have molested the servant if they had cared one whit for the master. Those who do not fear God are not afraid to commit violent and cruel acts. An atheist is a pessimist. Yet David reasoned: "the Lord who delivered me from the paw of the lion, and from the paw of the bear, will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine." What bodes good to me, will make those puny men cringe and blush; and go away disappointed and defeated. – Charles Spurgeon

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