Psalm 120:1-7 I Am For Peace – They Are For War – Deliver me From Deceitful tongues

Plea for Relief from Bitter Foes

A Song of Ascents.

- 1. In my distress I cried to Yahweh (the LORD), And He heard me.
- ² Deliver my soul, O Yahweh (LORD), from lying lips And from a deceitful tongue.
- ³ What shall be given to you, Or what shall be done to you, You false tongue?
- ⁴ Sharp arrows of the warrior, With coals of the broom tree!
- ⁵ Woe is me, that I dwell in Meshech, *That* I dwell among the tents of Kedar!
- ⁶ My soul has dwelt too long With one who hates peace.
- ⁷ I am for peace; But when I speak, they are for war.

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Facts Revealed:

- ❖ ·In my distress I cried to Yahweh (the LORD), And He heard me. [Psalm 120:1]
 - ♦ It is a blessing that Yahweh hears our cry.
- Deliver my soul, O Yahweh (LORD), from lying lips *And* from a deceitful tongue. What shall be given to you, Or what shall be done to you, You false tongue? Sharp arrows of the warrior, With coals of the broom tree! [Psalm 120:2-4]
 - ♦ The psalmist prayed for divine help against the slander of his enemies.
 - ♦ He suggested that they face the arrows of a warrior and hot embers of the broom tree.
- ☼ Woe is me, that I dwell in Meshech, That I dwell among the tents of Kedar! My soul has dwelt too long With one who hates peace.
 - I am for peace; But when I speak, they are for war. [Psalm 120:5-7]
 - ♦ He feels that he dwells among the barbaric who hate him.
 - ♦ He strives for peace, but they violently reject his efforts desiring war instead.
 - ♦ Sounds like Israel and the Palestinian terrorists of today.