

Psalm 80:1-19 **Save Us O Elohiym – Restore Us and We Will Be Saved**

Prayer for Israel's Restoration

To the Chief Musician. Set to "The Lilies." A Testimony of Asaph. A Psalm.

- 1 Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, You who lead Joseph like a flock; You who dwell *between* the cherubim, shine forth!
- 2 Before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, Stir up Your strength, And come *and* save us!
- 3 Restore us, O Elohiym (God); Cause Your face to shine, And we shall be saved!

- 4 O Yahweh Elohiym Tsebaaovt (LORD God of hosts), How long will You be angry Against the prayer of Your people?
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears, And given them tears to drink in great measure.
- 6 You have made us a strife to our neighbors, And our enemies laugh among themselves.

- 7 Restore us, O Elohiym Tsebaaovt (God of hosts); Cause Your face to shine, And we shall be saved!
- 8 You have brought a vine out of Egypt; You have cast out the nations, and planted it.
- 9 You prepared *room* for it, And caused it to take deep root, And it filled the land.
- 10 The hills were covered with its shadow, And the mighty cedars with its boughs.
- 11 She sent out her boughs to the Sea, And her branches to the River.

- 12 Why have You broken down her hedges, So that all who pass by the way pluck her *fruit*?
- 13 The boar out of the woods uproots it, And the wild beast of the field devours it.

- 14 Return, we beseech You, O Elohiym Tsebaaovt (God of hosts); Look down from heaven and see, And visit this vine
- 15 And the vineyard which Your right hand has planted, And the branch *that* You made strong for Yourself.
- 16 *It is* burned with fire, *it is* cut down; They perish at the rebuke of Your countenance.

- 17 Let Your hand be upon the man of Your right hand, Upon the son of man *whom* You made strong for Yourself.
- 18 Then we will not turn back from You; Revive us, and we will call upon Your name.
- 19 Restore us, O Yahweh Elohiym Tsebaaovt (LORD God of hosts); Cause Your face to shine, And we shall be saved!

Facts Revealed:

- ✧ Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, You who lead Joseph like a flock; You who dwell *between* the cherubim, shine forth!
Before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, Stir up Your strength, And come *and* save us!
Restore us, O Elohiym (God); Cause Your face to shine, And we shall be saved!
[Psalm 80:1-3]
- ✧ Asaph is Praying for Elohiym to take action and save Israel from its enemies.
- ✧ O Yahweh Elohiym Tsebaavt (LORD God of hosts), How long will You be angry Against the prayer of Your people?
You have fed them with the bread of tears, And given them tears to drink in great measure.
You have made us a strife to our neighbors, And our enemies laugh among themselves. [Psalm 80:4-6]
- ✧ Asaph acknowledged that their troubles are the result of Yahweh's anger against His people.
- ✧ Restore us, O Elohiym Tsebaavt (God of hosts); Cause Your face to shine, And we shall be saved!
You have brought a vine out of Egypt; You have cast out the nations, and planted it.
You prepared *room* for it, And caused it to take deep root, And it filled the land.
The hills were covered with its shadow, And the mighty cedars with its boughs.
She sent out her boughs to the Sea, And her branches to the River. [Psalm 80:7-11]
- ✧ Asaph reviewed a brief acknowledgement of the mighty works of Elohiym in establishing the nation of Israel.
- ✧ Salvation will only be accomplished by Elohiym restoring Israel to Himself.
- ✧ Why have You broken down her hedges, So that all who pass by the way pluck her *fruit*?
The boar out of the woods uproots it, And the wild beast of the field devours it.
[Psalm 80:12-13]
- ✧ Asaph, like so many of us, though he knew the reason for their trials, still asked "Why."
- ✧ Return, we beseech You, O Elohiym Tsebaavt (God of hosts); Look down from heaven and see, And visit this vine
And the vineyard which Your right hand has planted, And the branch *that* You made strong for Yourself.
It is burned with fire, *it is* cut down; They perish at the rebuke of Your countenance. [Psalm 80:14-16]
- ✧ Asaph stated the plight of the people of Elohiym and prayed for help.
- ✧ Let Your hand be upon the man of Your right hand, Upon the son of man *whom* You made strong for Yourself.
Then we will not turn back from You; Revive us, and we will call upon Your name.
Restore us, O Yahweh Elohiym Tsebaavt (LORD God of hosts); Cause Your face to shine, And we shall be saved! [Psalm 80:17-19]
- ✧ Revive us O Yahweh, Restore us and we will not turn back from You, we will call upon Your Name, and we will be saved.
- ✧ Salvation is achieved by our reconciliation with God. [Romans 5:10-11, 2 Corinthians 5:18-20]