Psalm 68:1-35 Saints Rejoice in Elohiym – Enemies are Scattered

The Glory of God in His Goodness to Israel

To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. A Song.

- ^{1.}Let Elohiym (God) arise, Let His enemies be scattered; Let those also who hate Him flee before Him.
- ² As smoke is driven away, So drive *them* away; As wax melts before the fire, So let the wicked perish at the presence of Elohiym (God).
- ³ But let the righteous be glad; Let them rejoice before Elohiym (God); Yes, let them rejoice exceedingly.
- ⁴ Sing to Elohiym (God), sing praises to His name; Extol Him who rides on the clouds, By His name YAH, And rejoice before Him.
- ⁵ A father of the fatherless, a defender of widows, *Is* Elohiym (God) in His holy habitation.
- ⁶ Elohiym (God) sets the solitary in families; He brings out those who are bound into prosperity; But the rebellious dwell in a dry *land*.
- ⁷O Elohiym (God), when You went out before Your people, When You marched through the wilderness,

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- ⁸ The earth shook; The heavens also dropped *rain* at the presence of Elohiym (God); Sinai itself *was moved* at the presence of Elohiym (God), Elohey Yisrael (the God of Israel).
- ⁹ You, O Elohiym (God), sent a plentiful rain, Whereby You confirmed Your inheritance, When it was weary.
- $^{\rm 10}\,{\rm Your}$ congregation dwelt in it; You, O Elohiym (God), provided from Your goodness for the poor.
- ¹¹ Adonay (the Lord) gave the word; Great *was* the company of those who proclaimed *it*:
- 12 "Kings of armies flee, they flee, And she who remains at home divides the spoil.
- ¹³ Though you lie down among the sheepfolds, *You will be* like the wings of a dove covered with silver, And her feathers with yellow gold."
- ¹⁴ When Shaday (the Almighty) scattered kings in it, It was *white* as snow in Zalmon.
- ¹⁵ A mountain of Elohiym (God) *is* the mountain of Bashan; A mountain *of many* peaks *is* the mountain of Bashan.
- ¹⁶ Why do you fume with envy, you mountains of *many* peaks? *This is* the mountain *which* Elohiym (God) desires to dwell in; Yes, Yahweh (the LORD) will dwell *in it* forever.
- ¹⁷ The chariots of Elohiym (God) *are* twenty thousand, *Even* thousands of thousands; Adonay (the Lord) is among them *as in* Sinai, in the Holy *Place*.

¹⁸ You have ascended on high, You have led captivity captive; You have received gifts for men, Even *for* the rebellious, That Yah Elohiym (the LORD God) might dwell *there*. ¹⁹ Blessed *be* Adonay (the Lord), *Who* daily loads us *with benefits*, The El (God) of our salvation!

Selah

- ²⁰ Our El (God) *is* El the God of salvation; And to Yahweh Adonay (God the Lord) *belong* escapes from death.
- ²¹ But Elohiym (God) will wound the head of His enemies, The hairy scalp of the one who still goes on in his trespasses.
- ²² Adonay (the Lord) said, "I will bring back from Bashan, I will bring them back from the depths of the sea,
- ²³ That your foot may crush *them** in blood, And the tongues of your dogs *may have* their portion from *your* enemies."
- ²⁴ They have seen Your procession, O Elohiym (God), The procession of Eeliy (my God), my King, into the sanctuary.
- ²⁵ The singers went before, the players on instruments *followed* after; Among *them were* the maidens playing timbrels.
- ²⁶ Bless Elohiym (God) in the congregations, Yahweh (the Lord), from the fountain of Israel.
- ²⁷ There *is* little Benjamin, their leader, The princes of Judah *and* their company, The princes of Zebulun *and* the princes of Naphtali.
- ²⁸ Eloheyka (our God) has commanded* your strength; Strengthen, O Elohiym (God), what You have done for us.
- ²⁹ Because of Your temple at Jerusalem, Kings will bring presents to You.
- ³⁰ Rebuke the beasts of the reeds, The herd of bulls with the calves of the peoples, *Till everyone* submits himself with pieces of silver. Scatter the peoples *who* delight in war.
- ³¹ Envoys will come out of Egypt; Ethiopia will quickly stretch out her hands to Elohiym (God).
- ³² Sing to Elohiym (God), you kingdoms of the earth; Oh, sing praises to Adonay (the Lord),

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- ³³ To Him who rides on the heaven of heavens, *which were* of old! Indeed, He sends out His voice, a mighty voice.
- ³⁴ Ascribe strength to Elohiym (God); His excellence *is* over Israel, And His strength *is* in the clouds.
- ³⁵ O Elohiym (God), *You are* more awesome than Your holy places. El Yisrael (the God of Israel) *is* He who gives strength and power to *His* people. Blessed *be* Elohiym (God)!

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Facts Revealed:

❖ ·Let Elohiym (God) arise, Let His enemies be scattered; Let those also who hate Him flee before Him.

As smoke is driven away, So drive *them* away; As wax melts before the fire, So let the wicked perish at the presence of Elohiym (God). [Psalm 68:1-2]

- ♦ David desired to see Elohiym arise so he can witness the judgment against God's enemies.
- ♦ On the day of judgment the enemies of Elohiym certainly will perish.
- ❖ The wicked cannot stand in the presence of Elohiym when they find themselves judged according to their works.
- - Sing to Elohiym (God), sing praises to His name; Extol Him who rides on the clouds, By His name YAH, And rejoice before Him. [Psalm 68:3-4]
 - ♦ David encourages the righteous to be glad and rejoice before Elohiym and to sing praises to Yah the name of Elohiym and to exalt Him greatly.
- A father of the fatherless, a defender of widows, Is Elohiym (God) in His holy habitation.

Elohiym (God) sets the solitary in families; He brings out those who are bound into prosperity; But the rebellious dwell in a dry *land*.

O Elohiym (God), when You went out before Your people, When You marched through the wilderness, [Psalm 68:5-7]

- ♦ David described the great praise worthy works of Elohiym.
- ♦ David recalled how Elohiym led Israel through the wilderness to the Promised Land.
- ♦ How He blessed the righteous and punished the rebellious.
- ☆ The earth shook; The heavens also dropped rain at the presence of Elohiym (God); Sinai itself was moved at the presence of Elohiym (God), Elohey Yisrael (the God of Israel).

You, O Elohiym (God), sent a plentiful rain, Whereby You confirmed Your inheritance, When it was weary.

Your congregation dwelt in it; You, O Elohiym (God), provided from Your goodness for the poor.

Adonay (the Lord) gave the word; Great *was* the company of those who proclaimed *it*: [Psalm 68:8-11]

- ❖ The description of the works of Elohiym at Mount Sinai and through the wilderness journey which was proclaimed by the multitude of Israel who were there.
- ▼ "Kings of armies flee, they flee, And she who remains at home divides the spoil.
 Though you lie down among the sheepfolds, You will be like the wings of a dove covered with silver, And her feathers with yellow gold."

When Shaday (the Almighty) scattered kings in it, It was *white* as snow in Zalmon. A mountain of Elohiym (God) *is* the mountain of Bashan; A mountain of many peaks *is* the mountain of Bashan.

Why do you fume with envy, you mountains of *many* peaks? *This is* the mountain *which* Elohiym (God) desires to dwell in; Yes, Yahweh (the LORD) will dwell *in it* forever. [Psalm 68:12-16]

- ♦ Nations fled before Elohiym, and Israel divided the spoils.
- ♦ The mountains of Bashan are the hills along with snow covered Mount Herman known at that time as Mount Zalmon in the land of Bashan, also the hills of Ephraim around Shechem.
- ♦ Yahweh will dwell in it forever.

- The chariots of Elohiym (God) *are* twenty thousand, *Even* thousands of thousands; Adonay (the Lord) is among them *as in* Sinai, in the Holy *Place*.

 You have ascended on high, You have led captivity captive; You have received gifts for men, Even *for* the rebellious, That Yah Elohiym (the LORD God) might dwell *there*. Blessed *be* Adonay (the Lord), *Who* daily loads us *with benefits*, The El (God) of our salvation! [Psalm 68:17-19]
 - ♦ The armies of Elohiym are very numerous and Adonay is with them as at Mount Sinai.

 [Revelation 19:15]
 - ♦ You have ascended on High, led captivity captive and received gifts for men speaks of the Lord who ascended to heaven with all who rose after His resurrection and the gifts of the Spirit He received and poured out on believers on the Day of Pentecost. [Matthew 27:51-53, Ephesians 4:8, Acts 2:1-2, 2:14-33, 1 Corinthians 12:1-31]
- ☼ Our El (God) is El the God of salvation; And to Yahweh Adonay (GoD the Lord) belong escapes (deliverance) from death.
 - But Elohiym (God) will wound the head of His enemies, The hairy scalp of the one who still goes on in his trespasses.
 - Adonay (the Lord) said, "I will bring back from Bashan, I will bring them back from the depths of the sea,
 - That your foot may crush *them** in blood, And the tongues of your dogs *may have* their portion from *your* enemies." [Psalm 68:20-23]
 - ♦ Deliverance from Death is in the hands of El the God of Salvation and to Yahweh Adonay.
 - ♦ Elohiym will punish those who continue in their trespasses.
 - ♦ Adonay promised to bring the enemies back from Bashan and from the depths of the sea so the faithful may have a part in their punishment.
- ★ They have seen Your procession, O Elohiym (God), The procession of Eeliy (my God), my King, into the sanctuary.
 - The singers went before, the players on instruments *followed* after; Among *them were* the maidens playing timbrels.
 - Bless Elohiym (God) in the congregations, Yahweh (the Lord), from the fountain of Israel. [Psalm 68:24-26]
 - ♦ The faithful have seen the procession of Eeliy into the Sanctuary led by the singers, and followed by those on musical instruments with the maidens playing timbrels.
 - ♦ Elohiym is blessed in the congregations from the fountain of Israel.
- ★ There is little Benjamin, their leader, The princes of Judah and their company, The princes of Zebulun and the princes of Naphtali.
 - Eloheyka (our God) has commanded* your strength; Strengthen, O Elohiym (God), what You have done for us. [Psalm 68:27-28]
 - ♦ Benjamin is the leader, the princes of Judah, Zebulun, and Naphtali are in the procession.
 - ♦ Eloheyka has commanded strength through Elohiym.
- ☼ Because of Your temple at Jerusalem, Kings will bring presents to You. Rebuke the beasts of the reeds, The herd of bulls with the calves of the peoples, Till everyone submits himself with pieces of silver. Scatter the peoples who delight in war.
 - Envoys will come out of Egypt; Ethiopia will quickly stretch out her hands to Elohiym (God).
 - Sing to Elohiym (God), you kingdoms of the earth; Oh, sing praises to Adonay (the Lord), [Psalm 68:29-32]

- → There was no Temple in Jerusalem all the days of David though he strongly desired to build one to honor Elohiym. [2 Samuel 7:1-17]
- ♦ David looked forward to the time the Temple would be built and kings of the earth would bring presents to Elohiym in Jerusalem. It happened in the time of Solomon son of David.
- ♦ David prayed that Elohiym would rebuke the offerings of the ungodly people till they submit themselves and bring pieces of silver. He also prayed that Elohiym would scatter those who delight in war.
- ♦ David spoke of the envoys that would come from Egypt and Ethiopia to worship Elohiym.
- ♦ He called for all the kingdoms of the earth to sing praises to Elohiym and Adonay.
- ☼ To Him who rides on the heaven of heavens, which were of old! Indeed, He sends out His voice, a mighty voice.
 - Ascribe strength to Elohiym (God); His excellence is over Israel, And His strength is in the clouds.
 - O Elohiym (God), *You are* more awesome than Your holy places. El Yisrael (the God of Israel) *is* He who gives strength and power to *His* people. Blessed *be* Elohiym (God)! [Psalm 68:33-35]
 - ♦ Praise and exaltation to Elohiym the God of the heaven of heavens El Yisrael.