

# Psalm 95

## I. [First Stanza (1-5)]

### A. [Call to worship (1-2)]

1. Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD;
2. let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.
3. Let us come before Him with thanksgiving
4. and extol Him with music and song.

### B. [Reason to worship (3-5)]

1. For the LORD is the great God,
2. the great King above all gods.
3. In His hand are the depths of the earth,
4. and the mountain peaks belong to Him.
5. The sea is His, for He made it,
6. and His hands formed the dry land.

## II. [Second Stanza (6-7)]

### A. [Call to worship (6)]

1. Come, let us bow down in worship,
2. let us kneel before the LORD our maker,

### B. [Reason to Worship (7a)]

1. for He is our God
2. and we are the people of His pasture,
3. the flock under His care.

## III. [Third Stanza 8-11]

### A. [Call to worship (7b-9)]

1. Today, if you hear His voice,
2. do not harden your hearts
3. as you did at Meribah,
4. as you did that day at Massah in the desert,
5. where your fathers tested and tried me,
6. though they had seen what I did.

### B. [Reason to Worship (10-11)]

1. For forty years I was angry with that generation;
2. I said, "They are a people whose hearts go astray,
3. and they have not known my ways."
4. So I declared on oath in my anger,
5. "They shall never enter my rest."

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1 לְכוּ נִרְנְנָה לַיהוָה  
D.N.+לְ PiellIpf(cohort)1cp QIpv2mp  
to Yahweh let us exult, cry out<sup>1</sup> come

נִרְיֵעָה לְצוּר יִשְׁעֵנוּ  
msc+1cp msc+לְ HiphIpf(cohort)1cp  
our salvation to rock of let us raise a shout

2 נִקְדְּמָה פָּנָיו בְּתוֹרָה  
mpc+3ms msc+לְ PiellIpf(cohort)1cs  
in, with thanksgiving His face, presence let us draw near, approach

בְּזִמְרוֹת לֹ לְנוּ נִרְיֵעַ  
3ms+לְ HiphIpf(cohort)1cp fpa+בְּ  
to Him let us raise a shout of triumph in, with songs

3 כִּי אֵל גָּדוֹל יְהוָה  
D.N. adj.msa msa conj.  
Yahweh (is) great God because

וּמֶלֶךְ גָּדוֹל עַל-כָּל-אֱלֹהִים  
mpa adj prep adj.msa msa+וּ  
gods all above,over great and king

<sup>1</sup> “pi. In contrast to qal means to let out an entire series of cries of jubilation, to rejoice”- HALOT en loc.

אָרֶץ

fsa  
earth, land

מַחְקָרֵי-

mpc  
explorations, unexplored places of

4 אֲשֶׁר בְּיָדוֹ

msc+3ms+ב rel.pron.  
in His hand who

לוֹ

3ms+ל

(belonging) to Him

וְתוֹעֵפּוֹת הַרִים

mpa

fpc+ו

(are) mountains and peaks of

עָשָׂהוּ

QPf3ms+3ms

He made it

וְהוּא

3ms+ו

and He Himself

הַיָּם

msa+ה

the sea

לוֹ

לוֹ

3ms+ל

(is) (belonging) to Him

5 אֲשֶׁר-

rel.pron.

who

יָצְרוּ

QPf3cp

they formed

יָדָיו

mpc+3ms

His hands

וַיִּבְשֹׁת

fsa+ו

and dry land

וְנִכְרַעַה

QIpf(cohort)1cs+ו

and let us bow down

נִשְׁתַּחֲוֶה

HishtIpf(cohort)1cs

let us worship

6 בָּאוּ

Qipv2mp

come

עֹשֵׂנוּ

QPtcpmsa+1cp

the one making us

יְהוָה

D.N.

Yahweh

לְפָנָי

prep.

before

נִבְרַכָּה

Qipf(cohort)1cs

let us kneel, bless

7 כִּי הוּא אֱלֹהֵינוּ

mpc+1cp 3ms conj.  
our God (is) He because

וְאֵנָּחְנוּ עִם מְרֻעֵיתוֹ וְצֹאן יָדוֹ

msc+3ms msc+ו fsc+3ms msc 1cp+ו  
His hand and flock of his pasturing, shepherding people of (are) and we

הַיּוֹם אִם-בְּקוֹלֹ תִשְׁמָעוּ

Qipf2mp msc+3ms+ב part msa+ה  
you hear His voice<sup>2</sup> if today

8 אַל-תִּקְשׁוּ לְבַבְכֶם

msc+2mp HiphIpf(juss)2mp neg  
your heart harden not

כְּמֵרִיבָה כִּיּוֹם מַסָּה בְּמִדְבָּר

msa+ב+ה Prop.N. msc+כ Prop.N.+כ  
in the desert Massah (testing) like day of like Meribah (dispute, struggle)

9 אֲשֶׁר נִסּוּנִי אֲבוֹתֵיכֶם

mpc+2mp PielPf3cp+1cs rel.pron.  
your fathers they tested Me which

בְּחִנּוּנֵי גַם-רָאוּ פְעָלִי

msc+1cs QPf3cp conj QPf3cp+1cs  
My deed, work they saw also they tried, examined Me

<sup>2</sup> B is a marker of transitivity- expresses means, but really marks accusative function. Will. §244.

בְּדֹרֹ	אֶקֹּוֹט	שָׁנָה	10 אַרְבַּעִים
msa+ב	QIpf1cs	msa	mpa
against generation	I felt disgust, loathing	years	forty

הֵם	לֵבֵב	תַּעֲי	עַם	וְאָמַרְ
3mp	msa	QPtcmpc	msa	QVCIpf1cs
they (are)	heart	wandering, erring of	people	and I said

וְהֵם	לֹא-	יָדְעוּ	דְרָכַי
3mp+ו	neg	QPf3cp	mpc+1cs
and they	not	they know	my ways

בְּאַפִּי	נִשְׁבַּעְתִּי	11 אֲשֶׁר-
msc+1cs+ב	NiphPf1cs	rel.pron.
in My anger, wrath	I swore	which

מִנוּחָתִי	אֶל-	יָבֹאוּ	אִם-
fsc+1cs	prep	QIpf3mp	part
My rest, resting place	unto	they will enter	if, not <sup>3</sup>

<sup>3</sup> In conditional, if no apodasis, ma means ‘not’. HALOT en loc.; Privative, expressing a negative after an oath formula. Will. §456.