

PSALM 44

- ¹ For the end, A Psalm for instruction, for the sons of Korah.
O God, we have heard with our ears, our fathers have told us, the deeds which You did in their days, in the days of old.
- ² Your hand utterly destroyed the heathen, and You planted them; You afflicted the nations, and cast them out.
- ³ For they did not inherit the land by their *own* sword, and their *own* arm did not deliver them; but Your right hand, and Your arm, and the light of Your countenance, because You were well pleased with them.
- ⁴ You are indeed my King and my God, who commanded deliverance for Jacob.
- ⁵ In You will we push down our enemies, and in Your name will we bring to nought them that rise up against us.
- ⁶ For I will not trust in my bow, and my sword shall not save me.
- ⁷ For You have saved us from them that afflicted us, and have put to shame them that hated us.
- ⁸ In God will we make our boast all the day, and to Your name will we give thanks forever. Selah.
- ⁹ But now You have cast off, and put us to shame; and You will not go forth with our hosts.
- ¹⁰ You have turned us back before our enemies; and they that hated us spoiled for themselves.
- ¹¹ You made us as sheep *intended* for food; and You scattered us among the nations.
- ¹² You have sold Your people without price, and there was no profit by their exchange.
- ¹³ You have made us a reproach to our neighbors, a scorn and derision to them that are round about us.
- ¹⁴ You have made us a proverb among the Gentiles, a shaking of the head among the nations.
- ¹⁵ All the day my shame is before me, and the confusion of my face has covered me,
- ¹⁶ because of the voice of the slanderer and reviler; because of the enemy and avenger.
- ¹⁷ All these things have come upon us; but we have not forgotten You, neither have we dealt unrighteously in Your covenant.
- ¹⁸ And our heart has not gone back; but You have turned aside our paths from Your way.
- ¹⁹ For You have laid us low in a place of affliction, and the shadow of death has covered us.
- ²⁰ If we have forgotten the name of our God, and if we have spread out our hands to a strange god; shall not God search these things out?
- ²¹ for He knows the secrets of the heart. ²² For Your sake we are killed all the day long; we are counted as sheep for slaughter.
- ²³ Awake, why do You sleep, O Lord? Arise, and do not cast *us* off forever.
- ²⁴ Why do You turn Your face away, *and* forget our poverty and our affliction?

²⁵ For our soul has been brought down to the dust; our belly has cleaved to the earth.

²⁶ Arise, O Lord, and help us; redeem us for Your name's sake.