

Psalm 89

Mas-chil of E-than the Ez-ra-hite

King James Version (KJV)

Also called Jedathan in Chronicles, he is another of the chief musicians. Mas-chil= instruction

89 I will sing of the mercies of the LORD for ever: with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations. (faithfulness- truth)

²For I have said, Mercy shall be built up for ever: thy faithfulness shalt thou establish in the very heavens. (faithfulness- truth)

³I have made a covenant with my chosen, I have sworn unto David my servant, 1Chronicles-17:1-14, 2 Samuel-7:13-on (God swore to David that from his descendants would come the King of Kings. This is the Key of David)

⁴Thy seed will I establish for ever, and build up thy throne to all generations. Selah. (Jesus was the descendant of David through Nathan and is King forever)

⁵And the heavens shall praise thy wonders, O LORD: thy faithfulness also in the congregation of the saints. (faithfulness- truth)

⁶For who in the heaven can be compared unto the LORD? who among the sons of the mighty can be likened unto the LORD? (mighty- can also be translated – angels)

⁷God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all them that are about him. (feared- in awe)

⁸O LORD God of hosts, who is a strong LORD like unto thee? or to thy faithfulness round about thee? (faithfulness- truth)

⁹Thou rulest the raging of the sea: when the waves thereof arise, thou stillest them. Mark-4 (This was a prophecy for what Jesus would do) Also see Revelation-17:15 (The seas are symbolic for the peoples)

¹⁰Thou hast broken Rahab in pieces, as one that is slain; thou hast scattered thine enemies with thy strong arm. (Rahab= Egypt; the children of Ishmael; The Red sea & Egypt, when God freed Israel)

¹¹The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine: as for the world and the fulness thereof, thou hast founded them. (world- the inhabited world & the governments)

¹² The north and the south thou hast created them: Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in thy name. (Tabor and Hermon - Mountains - 1 East, 1 West)

¹³ Thou hast a mighty arm: strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand.

¹⁴ Justice and judgment are the habitation of thy throne: mercy and truth shall go before thy face. (habitation = foundation)

¹⁵ Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound: they shall walk, O LORD, in the light of thy countenance. (Blessed- happy)(the sound of the silver trumpets used by the priests to summon the tribes in the desert)

¹⁶ In thy name shall they rejoice all the day: and in thy righteousness shall they be exalted.

¹⁷ For thou art the glory of their strength: and in thy favour our horn shall be exalted. (horn- symbolic for strength or power)

¹⁸ For the LORD is our defence; and the Holy One of Israel is our king. (defence- can be translated – shield) Ephians-6:16

¹⁹ Then thou spakest in vision to thy holy one, and saidst, I have laid help upon one that is mighty; I have exalted one chosen out of the people. (Prophecy for Jesus – David was a type for Jesus)

²⁰ I have found David my servant; with my holy oil have I anointed him:

²¹ With whom my hand shall be established: mine arm also shall strengthen him.

²² The enemy shall not exact upon him; nor the son of wickedness afflict him. (enemy – other nations) (son of wickedness- the Kenites)

²³ And I will beat down his foes before his face, and plague them that hate him.

²⁴ But my faithfulness and my mercy shall be with him: and in my name shall his horn be exalted. (faithfulness- truth) (horn- power)

²⁵ I will set his hand also in the sea, and his right hand in the rivers.

²⁶ He shall cry unto me, Thou art my father, my God, and the rock of my salvation.

²⁷ Also I will make him my firstborn, higher than the kings of the earth.
(First born – gets double portion of inheritance. Symbolic of Jesus.
Also symbolic of the Elect, in Revelation)

²⁸ My mercy will I keep for him for evermore, and my covenant shall stand fast with him.

²⁹ His seed also will I make to endure for ever, and his throne as the days of heaven. (Jesus, descended from David, shall rule forever)

³⁰ If his children forsake my law, and walk not in my judgments;
(Solomon, Rehoboam, etc ...)

³¹ If they break my statutes, and keep not my commandments;

³² Then will I visit their transgression with the rod, and their iniquity with stripes. (They will be chastised)

³³ Nevertheless my lovingkindness will I not utterly take from him, nor suffer my faithfulness to fail. (faithfulness- truth) (fail- become a lie)

³⁴ My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips.

³⁵ Once have I sworn by my holiness that I will not lie unto David.

³⁶ His seed shall endure for ever, and his throne as the sun before me.
(Jesus will rule forever)

³⁷ It shall be established for ever as the moon, and as a faithful witness in heaven. Selah.

³⁸ But thou hast cast off and abhorred, thou hast been wroth with thine anointed. See 1Chronicles-28:9 (This was a warning from David to Solomon)

³⁹ Thou hast made void the covenant of thy servant: thou hast profaned his crown by casting it to the ground. (The Psalmist is wrong – Men let God down, not the other way around) (David & Solomon both failed in keeping God's commandments) (Solomon even worshipped false gods)

⁴⁰ Thou hast broken down all his hedges; thou hast brought his strong holds to ruin. **Isaiah-5:1-7 (God expected Israel to produce fruit, not poison berries)**

⁴¹ All that pass by the way spoil him: he is a reproach to his neighbours. **(He -> Israel)**

⁴² Thou hast set up the right hand of his adversaries; thou hast made all his enemies to rejoice.

⁴³ Thou hast also turned the edge of his sword, and hast not made him to stand in the battle. **(Made Israel to fight with the blunt edge of the sword; not the sharp edge.)**

⁴⁴ Thou hast made his glory to cease, and cast his throne down to the ground.

⁴⁵ The days of his youth hast thou shortened: thou hast covered him with shame. Selah.

⁴⁶ How long, LORD? wilt thou hide thyself for ever? shall thy wrath burn like fire? **(Where's the repentance from Israel ??)**

⁴⁷ Remember how short my time is: wherefore hast thou made all men in vain? **(Ethan's pity party)**

⁴⁸ What man is he that liveth, and shall not see death? shall he deliver his soul from the hand of the grave? Selah.

⁴⁹ Lord, where are thy former lovingkindnesses, which thou swarest unto David in thy truth?

⁵⁰ Remember, Lord, the reproach of thy servants; how I do bear in my bosom the reproach of all the mighty people; **(mighty people- many enemies of Israel – better translation)**

⁵¹ Wherewith thine enemies have reproached, O LORD; wherewith they have reproached the footsteps of thine anointed.

⁵² Blessed be the LORD for evermore. Amen, and Amen.

Ezrahite pertains to a district where Ethan lived. Ethan was a Merarite.