

## Psalm 74

A Mas-chil of A-saph

King James Version (KJV) Maschil= instruction

**74** O God, why hast thou cast us off for ever? why doth thine anger smoke against the sheep of thy pasture? (Prophetically- When the enemy takes the Sanctuary – the tribulation of antichrist)

<sup>2</sup>Remember thy congregation, which thou hast purchased of old; the rod of thine inheritance, which thou hast redeemed; this mount Zion, wherein thou hast dwelt. (rod -> better translated - tribe)

<sup>3</sup>Lift up thy feet unto the perpetual desolations; even all that the enemy hath done wickedly in the sanctuary. (When Jesus whipped the moneychangers in the temple. also see Daniel – When the desolator stands where he ought not) (Also today, Easter, a pagan orgy fertility ritual, replaced Passover)

<sup>4</sup>Thine enemies roar in the midst of thy congregations; they set up their ensigns for signs. (Teach doctrines of men – in Christian churches)

<sup>5</sup>A man was famous according as he had lifted up axes upon the thick trees. (in the past, builders of the Temple were thought of highly)

<sup>6</sup>But now they break down the carved work thereof at once with axes and hammers. (but now, the builders are become destroyers)

<sup>7</sup>They have cast fire into thy sanctuary, they have defiled by casting down the dwelling place of thy name to the ground. (They have cast Your sanctuary into the fire – Alternate translation)

<sup>8</sup>They said in their hearts, Let us destroy them together: they have burned up all the synagogues of God in the land. (You cannot negotiate with someone who is determined to destroy you)

<sup>9</sup>We see not our signs: there is no more any prophet: neither is there among us any that knoweth how long. (What the enemy say)

<sup>10</sup>O God, how long shall the adversary reproach? shall the enemy blaspheme thy name for ever? (reproach= blaspheme or defy)

<sup>11</sup>Why withdrawest thou thy hand, even thy right hand? pluck it out of thy bosom. (How long before God acts against the enemy)

<sup>12</sup> For God is my King of old, working salvation in the midst of the earth. (of old -> in the first age, and also can mean – the deliverance from Egypt)

<sup>13</sup> Thou didst divide the sea by thy strength: thou brakest the heads of the dragons in the waters. (dragons -> symbolic of the Egyptians, the Nile crocodile and also of Satan)

<sup>14</sup> Thou brakest the heads of leviathan in pieces, and gavest him to be meat to the people inhabiting the wilderness.

<sup>15</sup> Thou didst cleave the fountain and the flood: thou driedst up mighty rivers. Joshua-3:17 - When they crossed the Jordan

<sup>16</sup> The day is thine, the night also is thine: thou hast prepared the light and the sun. (Creation power of God)

<sup>17</sup> Thou hast set all the borders of the earth: thou hast made summer and winter.

<sup>18</sup> Remember this, that the enemy hath reproached, O LORD, and that the foolish people have blasphemed thy name. (18-23 -> A prayer of Asaph)

<sup>19</sup> O deliver not the soul of thy turtledove unto the multitude of the wicked: forget not the congregation of thy poor for ever. (poor= humble)

<sup>20</sup> Have respect unto the covenant: for the dark places of the earth are full of the habitations of cruelty.

<sup>21</sup> O let not the oppressed return ashamed: let the poor and needy praise thy name.

<sup>22</sup> Arise, O God, plead thine own cause: remember how the foolish man reproacheth thee daily.

<sup>23</sup> Forget not the voice of thine enemies: the tumult of those that rise up against thee increaseth continually.

*To the chief musician, Al-tas-chith - Destroy not*

The enemy in the Sanctuary – Antichrist