

## **Psalm 48**

A song & psalm for the sons of Ko-rah

King James Version (KJV)

**48** Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of his holiness.

<sup>2</sup> Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King. (Jerusalem)

<sup>3</sup> God is known in her palaces for a refuge.

<sup>4</sup> For, lo, the kings were assembled, they passed by together. (The vassal kings of Senachareb. They went home when God killed 180,000 of their armies as they slept. They had laid siege to Jerusalem.)

<sup>5</sup> They saw it, and so they marvelled; they were troubled, and hasted away.

<sup>6</sup> Fear took hold upon them there, and pain, as of a woman in travail.

<sup>7</sup> Thou breakest the ships of Tarshish with an east wind. (The ships of Tarshish are the merchants – the Kenites)

<sup>8</sup> As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the LORD of hosts, in the city of our God: God will establish it for ever. Selah.

<sup>9</sup> We have thought of thy lovingkindness, O God, in the midst of thy temple.

<sup>10</sup> According to thy name, O God, so is thy praise unto the ends of the earth: thy right hand is full of righteousness.

<sup>11</sup> Let mount Zion rejoice, let the daughters of Judah be glad, because of thy judgments. (Daughters of Judah, means the smaller cities in Judah) (Senachareb's cylinder, in the British museum, says he took 46 fenced cities of Judah & 100,000 people in captivity. He said he had Hezekiah like a bird in a cage in Jerusalem) (God saved Judah from Senachareb of Syria)

<sup>12</sup> Walk about Zion, and go round about her: tell the towers thereof. (Now that they are free of the Syrians)

<sup>13</sup> Mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces; that ye may tell it to the generation following.

<sup>14</sup> For this God is our God for ever and ever: he will be our guide even unto death. (Bad X-lation – unto= over) (Prophetic for when the elect are delivered up unto death – the devil)

*To the chief musician*

Possibly written by Hezekiah