

## Psalm 83

A Song or Psalm of A-saph

King James Version (KJV)

The final psalm of Asaph

**83** Keep not thou silence, O God: hold not thy peace, and be not still, O God.

<sup>2</sup>For, lo, thine enemies make a tumult: and they that hate thee have lifted up the head. (Egotistically... above God, even)

<sup>3</sup>They have taken crafty counsel against thy people, and consulted against thy hidden ones. (They take council to destroy Israel) (The elect, who remain faithful to God)

<sup>4</sup>They have said, Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance. (At this time, only Judah remained. The 10 tribes to the north had already been dispersed by the Assyrians)

<sup>5</sup>For they have consulted together with one consent: they are confederate against thee: (10 nations were together against Israel – much like today)

<sup>6</sup>The tabernacles of Edom, and the Ishmaelites; of Moab, and the Hagarenes; (tabernacles – tents) (Russians, Arabs, Persians)

<sup>7</sup>Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek; the Philistines with the inhabitants of Tyre; (Tyre – a place of commerce of the Kenites)

<sup>8</sup>Assur also is joined with them: they have holpen the children of Lot. Selah.

<sup>9</sup>Do unto them as unto the Midianites; as to Sisera, as to Jabin, at the brook of Kison: (God defeated them for Israel, under Gideon) (Gideon had 300, against the enemy's 135,000 men) (When God defeated Sisera for Israel, under Deborah)

<sup>10</sup>Which perished at Endor: they became as dung for the earth. See Joshua-17:11, (also the place where Saul consulted the witch)

<sup>11</sup>Make their nobles like Oreb, and like Zeeb: yea, all their princes as Zebah, and as Zalmunna: (princes and kings of the Medianites)

<sup>12</sup>Who said, Let us take to ourselves the houses of God in possession. 2Chronicles-20:10-11

<sup>13</sup> O my God, make them like a wheel; as the stubble before the wind.  
(wheel- the wheel in a grain mill)

<sup>14</sup> As the fire burneth a wood, and as the flame setteth the mountains on fire;

<sup>15</sup> So persecute them with thy tempest, and make them afraid with thy storm.

<sup>16</sup> Fill their faces with shame; that they may seek thy name, O LORD.

<sup>17</sup> Let them be confounded and troubled for ever; yea, let them be put to shame, and perish:

<sup>18</sup> That men may know that thou, whose name alone is JEHOVAH, art the most high over all the earth. (JEHOVAH – Yahoveh- Bad translation)

*To the chief musician, upon Git-tith* - Harvest, Relating to the wine press