

Psalm 102

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HEAR my prayer, O Lord: and let my crying come un-to thee. 2. Hide not thy face from me in the time of my trouble: incline thine ear unto me when I call; O hear me, and that right soon. 3. For my days are consumed away like smoke: and my bones are burnt up as it were a firebrand. 4. My heart is smitten down, and withered liked grass: so that I forget to eat my bread. 5. For the voice of my groaning: my bones will scarce cleave to my flesh. 6. I am become like a pel-ican in the wilderness: and like an owl that is in the desert. 7. I have watched, and am even as it were a sparrow: that sitteth alone upon the house- top. 8. Mine en-emies revile me all the day long: and they that are mad upon me are sworn together against me. 9. For I have eaten ashes as it were bread: and mingled my drink with weeping; 10. And that because of thine in-dignation and wrath: for thou hast taken me up, and cast me down. 11. My days are gone like a shadow: and I am withered

like grass. 12. But thou, O Lord, shalt endure for ever: and thy remembrance
throughout all generations. 13. Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Sion:
for it is time that thou have mercy upon her, yea, the time is come. 14. And
why? thy servants think upon her stones: and it pitieth them to see her in
the dust. 15. The heathen shall fear thy Name, O Lord: and all the kings of
the earth thy majesty; 16. When the Lord shall build up Sion: and when his
glory shall appear; 17. When he turneth him unto the prayer of the poor desti-
tute: and despiseth not their desire. 18. This shall be written for those that
come after: and the people which shall be born shall praise the Lord. 19. For
he hath looked down from his sanctuary: out of the heaven did the Lord
behold the earth; 20. That he might hear the mournings of such as are in
captivity: and deliver the children appointed unto death. 21. That they may
declare the Name of the Lord in Sion: and his worship at Jerusalem;

22. When the people are gathered together: and the kingdoms also, to serve the

Lord. 23. He brought down my strength in my journey: and shortened

my days. 24. But I said, O my God, take me not away in the midst of mine

age: as for thy years, they endure throughout all generation²⁵. Thou, Lord,

in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens

are the work of thy hands. 26. They shall perish, but thou shalt endure:

they all shall wax old as doth a garment;²⁷. And as a vesture shalt thou change

them, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall

not fail. 28. The children of thy servants shall continue: and their seed shall

stand fast in thy sight. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the

Ho-ly Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world

without end. Amen