

“An Intrusive New Year Prayer”
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Psalm 72

*¹ Endow the king with your justice, O God,
the royal son with your righteousness.*

*² He will judge your people in righteousness,
your afflicted ones with justice.*

*³ The mountains will bring prosperity to the people,
the hills the fruit of righteousness.*

*⁴ He will defend the afflicted among the people
and save the children of the needy;
he will crush the oppressor.*

***⁵ He will endure as long as the sun, as long as the moon,
through all generations.***

***⁶ He will be like rain falling on a mown field,
like showers watering the earth.***

***⁷ In his days the righteous will flourish;
prosperity will abound till the moon is no more.***

***⁸ He will rule from sea to sea and from the River
to the ends of the earth.***

***⁹ The desert tribes will bow before him
and his enemies will lick the dust.***

***¹⁰ The kings of Tarshish and of distant shores
will bring tribute to him;***

the kings of Sheba and Seba will present him gifts.

***¹¹ All kings will bow down to him
and all nations will serve him.***

***¹² For he will deliver the needy who cry out,
the afflicted who have no one to help.***

***13 He will take pity on the weak and the needy
and save the needy from death.***

***14 He will rescue them from oppression and violence,
for precious is their blood in his sight.***

***15 Long may he live! May gold from Sheba be given him.
May people ever pray for him
and bless him all day long.***

***16 Let grain abound throughout the land;
on the tops of the hills may it sway.***

*Let its fruit flourish like Lebanon;
let it thrive like the grass of the field.*

¹⁷ May his name endure forever;

may it continue as long as the sun.

*All nations will be blessed through him,
and they will call him blessed.*

*18 Praise be to the Lord God, the God of Israel,
who alone does marvelous deeds.*

*19 Praise be to his glorious name forever;
may the whole earth be filled with his glory.*

Amen and Amen.

The Promise to Abraham:

“I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.” (Genesis:12:2-3)

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and discipline. (Proverbs 1:7)

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs eternal praise. (Psalm 111:10)

Solomon prayer in Psalm 72, "Endow the king with Your justice, O God, and the royal son with Your righteousness. He will judge Your people in righteousness, Your afflicted ones with justice. The mountains will bring prosperity to the people, the hills the fruit of righteousness. He will defend the afflicted among the people and save the children of the needy; He will crush the oppressor... (vv 1-4)

He will deliver the needy who cry out, the afflicted who have no one to help. He will take pity on the weak and the needy and save the needy from death. He will rescue them from oppression and violence, the precious is their blood in his sight.”

(Psalm:72:12-14)

(Philippians 2:6-8) [Jesus] who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself

“For to us a Child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders. And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”

Isaiah 9:6

Jesus said, "For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for Me and for the gospel will save it. What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit soul?..." (Mark 8:35,36)

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may it continue as long as the sun.***

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