

Save Me, O God | Day 13: Psalms 69–71 Audio Bible for Suffering & Hope

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Psalm 69

¹For the Chief Musician. To the tune of “Lilies.” By David. Save me, God, for the waters have come up to my neck! ²I sink in deep mire, where there is no foothold. I have come into deep waters, where the floods overflow me. ³I am weary with my crying. My throat is dry. My eyes fail looking for my God. ⁴Those who hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of my head. Those who want to cut me off, being my enemies wrongfully, are mighty. I have to restore what I didn’t take away. ⁵God, you know my foolishness. My sins aren’t hidden from you. ⁶Don’t let those who wait for you be shamed through me, Lord GOD of Armies. Don’t let those who seek you be brought to dishonor through me, God of Israel. ⁷Because for your sake, I have borne reproach. Shame has covered my face. ⁸I have become a stranger to my brothers, an alien to my mother’s children. ⁹For the zeal of your house consumes me. The reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me. ¹⁰When I wept and I fasted, that was to my reproach. ¹¹When I made sackcloth my clothing, I became a byword to them. ¹²Those who sit in the gate talk about me. I am the song of the drunkards. ¹³But as for me, my prayer is to you, LORD, in an acceptable time. God, in the abundance of your loving kindness, answer me in the truth of your salvation. ¹⁴Deliver me out of the mire, and don’t let me sink. Let me be delivered from those who hate me, and out of the deep waters. ¹⁵Don’t let the flood waters overwhelm me, neither let the deep swallow me up. Don’t let the pit shut its mouth on me. ¹⁶Answer me, LORD, for your loving kindness is good. According to the multitude of your tender mercies, turn to me. ¹⁷Don’t hide your face from your servant, for I am in distress. Answer me speedily! ¹⁸Draw near to my soul and redeem it. Ransom me because of my enemies. ¹⁹You know my reproach, my shame, and my dishonor. My adversaries are all before you. ²⁰Reproach has broken my heart, and I am full of heaviness. I looked for some to take pity, but there was none; for comforters, but I found none. ²¹They also gave me poison for my food. In my thirst, they gave me vinegar to drink. ²²Let their table before them become a snare. May it become a retribution and a trap. ²³Let their eyes be darkened, so that they can’t see. Let their backs be continually bent. ²⁴Pour out your indignation on them. Let the fierceness of your anger overtake them. ²⁵Let their habitation be desolate. Let no one dwell in their tents. ²⁶For they persecute him whom you have wounded. They tell of the sorrow of those whom you have hurt. ²⁷Charge them with crime upon crime. Don’t let them come into your righteousness. ²⁸Let them be blotted out of the book of life, and not be written with the righteous. ²⁹But I am in pain and distress. Let your salvation, God, protect me. ³⁰I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify him with thanksgiving. ³¹It will please the LORD better than an ox, or a bull that has horns and hoofs. ³²The humble have seen it, and are glad. You who seek after God, let your heart live. ³³For the LORD hears the needy, and doesn’t despise his captive people. ³⁴Let heaven and earth praise him; the seas, and everything that moves therein! ³⁵For God will save Zion, and build the cities of Judah. They shall settle there, and own it. ³⁶The children also of his servants shall inherit it. Those who love his name shall dwell therein.

Psalm 70

¹For the Chief Musician. By David. A reminder. Hurry, God, to deliver me. Come quickly to help me, LORD. ²Let them be disappointed and confounded who seek my soul. Let those who desire my ruin be turned back in disgrace. ³Let them be turned because of their shame who say, “Aha! Aha!” ⁴Let all those who seek you rejoice and be glad in you. Let those who love your salvation continually say, “Let God be exalted!” ⁵But I am poor and needy. Come to me quickly, God. You are my help and my

deliverer. LORD, don't delay.

Psalm 71

¹In you, LORD, I take refuge. Never let me be disappointed. ²Deliver me in your righteousness, and rescue me. Turn your ear to me, and save me. ³Be to me a rock of refuge to which I may always go. Give the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress. ⁴Rescue me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man. ⁵For you are my hope, Lord GOD, my confidence from my youth. ⁶I have relied on you from the womb. You are he who took me out of my mother's womb. I will always praise you. ⁷I am a marvel to many, but you are my strong refuge. ⁸My mouth shall be filled with your praise, with your honor all day long. ⁹Don't reject me in my old age. Don't forsake me when my strength fails. ¹⁰For my enemies talk about me. Those who watch for my soul conspire together, ¹¹saying, "God has forsaken him. Pursue and take him, for no one will rescue him." ¹²God, don't be far from me. My God, hurry to help me. ¹³Let my accusers be disappointed and consumed. Let them be covered with disgrace and scorn who want to harm me. ¹⁴But I will always hope, and will add to all of your praise. ¹⁵My mouth will tell about your righteousness, and of your salvation all day, though I don't know its full measure. ¹⁶I will come with the mighty acts of the Lord GOD. I will make mention of your righteousness, even of yours alone. ¹⁷God, you have taught me from my youth. Until now, I have declared your wondrous works. ¹⁸Yes, even when I am old and gray-haired, God, don't forsake me, until I have declared your strength to the next generation, your might to everyone who is to come. ¹⁹God, your righteousness also reaches to the heavens. You have done great things. God, who is like you? ²⁰You, who have shown us many and bitter troubles, you will let me live. You will bring us up again from the depths of the earth. ²¹Increase my honor and comfort me again. ²²I will also praise you with the harp for your faithfulness, my God. I sing praises to you with the lyre, Holy One of Israel. ²³My lips shall shout for joy! My soul, which you have redeemed, sings praises to you! ²⁴My tongue will also talk about your righteousness all day long, for they are disappointed, and they are confounded, who want to harm me.