



Psalms 81

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ARE YOU LISTENING TO THE LORD?

Introduction:

Superscription: "For the choir director; on the Gittith. A Psalm of Asaph."

I. A CALL TO REJOICE IN THE PRESENT (vs. 1-5)

A. By Song (vs. 1-3)

"Sing for joy to God our strength; shout joyfully to the God of Jacob."

"Raise a song, strike the timbrel, the sweet sounding lyre with the harp."

APPLICATION #1: _____

"Blow the trumpet at the new moon, at the full moon, on our feast day."

B. By Statute (vs. 4)

"For it is a statute for Israel, an ordinance of the God of Jacob." (Eph. 5:19-20)

C. By Statement (vs. 5)

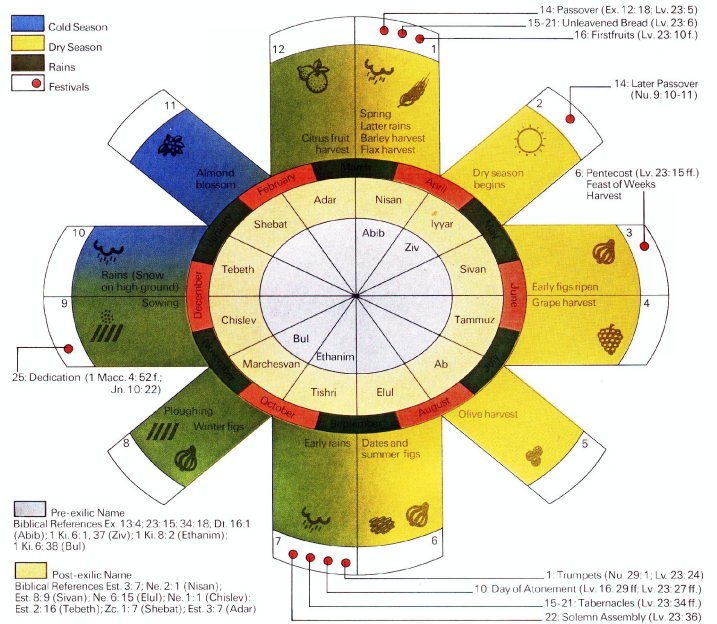
"He established it for a testimony in Joseph when he went throughout the land of Egypt." (Ex. 11:4-5)

"I heard a language that I did not know:"

II. A CALL TO REMEMBER THE PAST (vs. 6-12)

A. Your Ingratitude (vs. 6-8)

"I relieved his shoulder of the burden, his hands were freed from the basket."



“You called in trouble and I rescued you; I answered you in the hiding place of thunder;” (Ex. 19:18-19)

APPLICATION #2: _____

“I proved you at the waters of Meribah. Selah.” (Jn. 7:37-38; Ps. 95:7-11)

“Hear, O My people, and I will admonish you; O Israel, if you would listen to Me!” (Deut. 6:4; 5:29)

APPLICATION #3: _____

B. Your Idolatry (vs. 9-10)

“Let there be no strange god among you; nor shall you worship any foreign god.” (Ex. 20:3-5; Deut. 5:6; 32:16)

“Open your mouth wide and I will fill it.”

APPLICATION #4: _____

C. Your Independence (vs. 11-12)

“But My people did not listen to My voice, and Israel did not obey Me.”

“So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their heart, to walk in their own devices.”

APPLICATION #5: _____

III. A CALL TO REPENT BEFORE THE FUTURE (vs. 13-16)

A. Or You’ll be Left to Your Follies (vs. 13)

“Oh that My people would listen to Me, that Israel would walk in My ways!” (Deut. 31:9-13)

B. Or You’ll be Left to Your Foes (vs. 14-15)

“I would quickly subdue their enemies and turn My hand against their adversaries.”

“Those who hate the LORD would pretend obedience to Him, and their time of punishment would be forever.”

C. Or You’ll be Left to Famine (vs. 16)

“But I would feed you with the finest of the wheat, and with honey from the rock I would satisfy you.”
(Deut. 32:13-14)

APPLICATION #6: _____