

## PSALM 68

To the chief Musician, A Psalm *or* Song of David.

**L**ET God arise, let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him flee before him.

2 As smoke is driven away, so drive *them* away: as wax melteth before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

3 But let the righteous be glad; let them rejoice before God: yea, let them exceedingly rejoice.

4 Sing unto God, sing praises to his name: extol him that rideth upon the heavens by his name JAH, and rejoice before him.

5 A father of the fatherless, and a judge of the widows, *is* God in his holy habitation.

6 God setteth the solitary in families: he bringeth out those which are bound with chains: but the rebellious dwell in a dry *land*.

7. O God, when thou wentest forth before thy people, when thou didst march through the wilderness; Selah:

8 The earth shook, the heavens also dropped at the presence of God:

*even* Sinai itself *was moved* at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

9 Thou, O God, didst send a plentiful rain, whereby thou didst confirm thine inheritance, when it was weary.

10 Thy congregation hath dwelt therein: thou, O God, hast prepared of thy goodness for the poor.

11 The Lord gave the word: great *was* the company of those that published *it*.

12 Kings of armies did flee apace: and she that tarried at home divided the spoil.

13 Though ye have lien among the pots, *yet shall ye be as* the wings of a dove covered with silver, and her feathers with yellow gold.

14 When the Almighty scattered kings in it, it was *white* as snow in Salmon.

15. The hill of God *is as* the hill of Bashan; an high hill *as* the hill of Bashan.

16 Why leap ye, ye high hills? *this is* the hill *which* God desireth to dwell in; yea, the LORD will dwell *in it* for ever.

17 The chariots of God *are* twenty thousand, *even* thousands of angels: the Lord *is* among them, *as in* Sinai, in the holy *place*.

18 Thou hast ascended on high, thou hast led captivity captive: thou hast received gifts for men; yea, *for* the rebellious also, that the LORD God might dwell *among them*.

19 Blessed *be* the Lord, *who* daily loadeth us *with benefits*, *even* the God of our salvation. Selah.

20 *He that is* our God *is* the God of salvation; and unto GOD the Lord *belong* the issues from death.

21 But God shall wound the head of his enemies, *and* the hairy scalp of such an one as goeth on still in his trespasses.

22. The Lord said, I will bring again from Bashan, I will bring *my people* again from the depths of the sea:

23 That thy foot may be dipped in the blood of *thine* enemies, *and* the tongue of thy dogs in the same.

24 They have seen thy goings, O God; *even* the goings of my God, my King, in the sanctuary.

25 The singers went before, the players on instruments *followed* after; among *them were* the damsels playing with timbrels.

26 Bless ye God in the congrega-

tions, *even* the Lord, from the fountain of Israel.

27 There *is* little Benjamin *with* their ruler, the princes of Judah *and* their council, the princes of Zebulun, *and* the princes of Naphtali.

28 Thy God hath commanded thy strength: strengthen, O God, that which thou hast wrought for us.

29 Because of thy temple at Jerusalem shall kings bring presents unto thee.

30 Rebuke the company of spearmen, the multitude of the bulls, with the calves of the people, *till every one* submit himself with pieces of silver: scatter thou the people *that* delight in war.

31 Princes shall come out of Egypt; Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hands unto God.

32. Sing unto God, ye kingdoms of the earth; O sing praises unto the Lord; Selah:

33 To him that rideth upon the heavens of heavens, *which were* of old; lo, he doth send out his voice, *and that* a mighty voice.

34 Ascribe ye strength unto God: his excellency *is* over Israel, and his strength *is* in the clouds.

35 O God, *thou art* terrible out of thy holy places: the God of Israel *is* he that giveth strength and

power unto *his* people. Blessed be God.

## PSALM 69

To the chief Musician upon Shoshannim,  
A Psalm of David.

**S**AVE me, O God; for the waters are come in unto *my* soul.

2 I sink in deep mire, where *there is* no standing: I am come into deep waters, where the floods overflow me.

3 I am weary of my crying: my throat is dried: mine eyes fail while I wait for my God.

4 They that hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of mine head: they that would destroy me, *being* mine enemies wrongfully, are mighty: then I restored *that* which I took not away.

5 O God, thou knowest my foolishness; and my sins are not hid from thee.

6 Let not them that wait on thee, O Lord GOD of hosts, be ashamed for my sake: let not those that seek thee be confounded for my sake, O God of Israel.

7 Because for thy sake I have borne reproach; shame hath covered my face.

8 I am become a stranger unto my brethren, and an alien unto my mother's children.

9 For the zeal of thine house hath eaten me up; and the reproaches of them that reproached thee are fallen upon me.

10 When I wept, *and chastened* my soul with fasting, that was to my reproach.

11 I made sackcloth also my garment; and I became a proverb to them.

12 They that sit in the gate speak against me; and I *was* the song of the drunkards.

13. But as for me, my prayer *is* unto thee, O LORD, *in* an acceptable time: O God, in the multitude of thy mercy hear me, in the truth of thy salvation.

14 Deliver me out of the mire, and let me not sink: let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.

15 Let not the waterflood overflow me, neither let the deep swallow me up, and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.

16 Hear me, O LORD; for thy lovingkindness *is* good: turn unto me according to the multitude of thy tender mercies.

17 And hide not thy face from thy servant; for I am in trouble: hear me speedily.

18 Draw nigh unto my soul, *and*

redeem it: deliver me because of mine enemies.

19 Thou hast known my reproach, and my shame, and my dishonour: mine adversaries *are* all before thee.

20 Reproach hath broken my heart; and I am full of heaviness: and I looked *for some* to take pity, but *there was* none; and for comforters, but I found none.

21 They gave me also gall for my meat; and in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.

22. Let their table become a snare before them: and *that which should have been for their welfare, let it become* a trap.

23 Let their eyes be darkened, that they see not; and make their loins continually to shake.

24 Pour out thine indignation upon them, and let thy wrathful anger take hold of them.

25 Let their habitation be desolate; *and* let none dwell in their tents.

26 For they persecute *him* whom thou hast smitten; and they talk to the grief of those whom thou hast wounded.

27 Add iniquity unto their iniquity: and let them not come into thy righteousness.

28 Let them be blotted out of the

book of the living, and not be written with the righteous.

29 But I *am* poor and sorrowful: let thy salvation, O God, set me up on high.

30. I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify him with thanksgiving.

31 *This* also shall please the LORD better than an ox *or* bullock that hath horns and hoofs.

32 The humble shall see *this, and* be glad: and your heart shall live that seek God.

33 For the LORD heareth the poor, and despiseth not his prisoners.

34 Let the heaven and earth praise him, the seas, and every thing that moveth therein.

35 For God will save Zion, and will build the cities of Judah: that they may dwell there, and have it in possession.

36 The seed also of his servants shall inherit it: and they that love his name shall dwell therein.

### PSALM 70

To the chief Musician, A *Psalms* of David,  
to bring to remembrance.

**M**AKE haste, O God, to deliver me; make haste to help me, O LORD.

2 Let them be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul: let



them be turned backward, and put to confusion, that desire my hurt.

3 Let them be turned back for a reward of their shame that say, Aha, aha.

4 Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: and let

such as love thy salvation say continually, Let God be magnified.

5 But I *am* poor and needy: make haste unto me, O God: thou *art* my help and my deliverer; O LORD, make no tarrying.

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## DEVOTIONAL COMMENTS

Psalm 68 is a battle march of God's victorious armies. This Psalm was a favorite of the crusaders as they went out to battle.

Psalm 69 is a Psalm of suffering. It is similar to Psalm 22 and in it we have a glimpse of the suffering Messiah.

Psalm 70 is an urgent cry for help. It is similar to the latter part of Psalm 40. God never failed David. Because of God's faithfulness, David could have joy in time of persecution. Christians today can also have joy in time of persecution. If we are doing anything for the Lord—if our church is making a mark for God—then we are going to have persecution. There will be "woodpeckers" pecking on the outside, and "termites" gnawing on the inside of our church. Persecutions will come! But thanks be to God, He will intercede for us if we will stand true to His Word and continue winning souls. Too many Christians and churches today falter and fail in times of persecution.

I have often said that a man's greatness is not determined by his wealth or by his talent, but by what it takes to discourage him. What does it take to discourage you? When the first sounds of conflict and trouble come, do you crawl into a shell and become discouraged, and think God has abandoned you? This is simply Satan's way of getting you to be a "do nothing" for Christ. We should face discouragement with the realization that with God we are a majority, and that together we can win the battle!

## PROVERB FOR TODAY

*"My son, fear thou the LORD and the king: and meddle not with them that are given to change"* (Proverbs 24:21).

## TREASURE PATH TO SOUL WINNING

**ASSIGNMENT 21:** For today's memory verses, follow instructions on page 8.

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## BIRTHDAY TODAY

**ELLA R. STEPHENS**

## ON THIS DATE IN HISTORY

**510 B.C.**

**THE JEWS WERE VINDICATED BY ESTHER.**

Esther 8:9.

This is one of the great stories in all the Bible. God has wonderful ways of caring for His people. He wants to care for you. Trust Him to do so. Think of some of the great verses about His care. Consider Psalm 91:1, "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty." Psalm 91:4, "He shall cover thee with His feathers, and under His wings shalt thou trust: His truth shall be thy shield and buckler." Psalm 23:1, "The Lord is my shepherd: I shall not want."

Oh, how we ought to trust God for His care. If things do not seem to be going right, they will take a turn for the better if you do right. Remember, there is no problem that God cannot solve, and there is no problem so easy but that God wants to solve it. There is no question so hard but that God can answer it, and there is no question so simple but that He wants to answer it. There is no burden so heavy but that God can carry it, and there is no burden so light but that He wants to share it.

**1894**

**THE DUKE OF WINDSOR WAS BORN.**

**1909**

**THE BIRTHDAY OF MONROE PARKER.**

Here is truly a great preacher. For years he was assistant to the president at Bob Jones University, a successful evangelist, a scholar, a college president for a number of years and at this writing an eminent evangelist. May God bless the ministry of this dear man. His favorite Scripture is Psalm 91:2, "I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in Him will I trust."

**1940**  
**FRANCE SURRENDERED TO GERMANY.**

**1947**  
**THE DATE OF THE TAFT-HARTLEY ACT.**

**ON THIS DATE IN  
AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY**

**1970**  
**CHARLES RANGEL DEFEATED ADAM CLAY-  
TON POWELL IN DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY IN  
HARLEM, ENDING THE POLITICAL CAREER  
OF ONE OF THE MAJOR POLITICAL SYMBOLS  
OF THE POST-WORLD WAR II PERIOD.**

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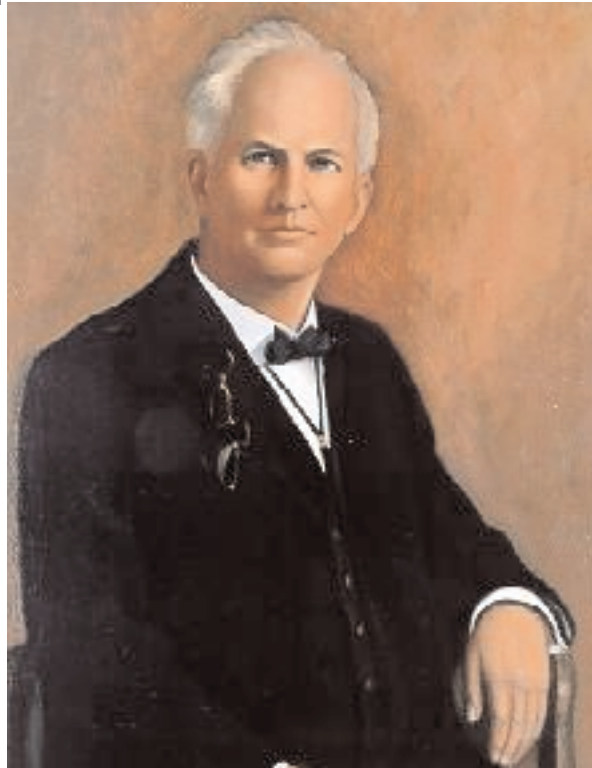
# A Christian Life . . .

## T.T. MARTIN 1862-1939

**American evangelist.** T.T. Martin was born in Smith County, Mississippi, on April 28, 1862. Following a childhood and youth amid the extreme poverty of the post-war South, he was graduated from Mississippi College, where his father both preached and taught mathematics. While preparing for a career of law, he felt a growing impression that he must preach. And, after a period of intense and prayerful self-examination, he gave up his legal ambitions and devoted himself to preparing for the ministry, graduating from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, in 1891.

While awaiting assignment for the foreign mission work, he was stricken with an almost fatal attack of food poisoning, and was advised by physicians to move to Colorado as his only chance of recovery. From 1897 to 1900, he was pastor in Cripple Creek. Preaching there and in nearby camps, often in the open air, he recovered his health and developed the unusual strength of voice that was to carry him through almost 40 years of exceptionally strenuous preaching.

Martin entered full-time evangelistic work in 1900, and his ministry soon became noted for its effectiveness in bringing conviction and acceptance of Christ as personal Saviour. In the early 1900s, he began to use large tents for his meetings, as most of the churches could not accommodate the crowds. Soon invitations began to come from all sections



of the country. In order to fill the many requests that came, he gathered around him a group of evangelists and musicians, whose presentation of the way of salvation he knew to be clear and sound. He personally scheduled these men, organized in teams, throughout the country.

Active until the last few months of his life, he died May 23, 1939, and was buried at Glouster, Mississippi. On his gravestone are the dates of his birth and three Scripture texts, which were the core of his ministry: John 3:16, Acts 16:31, and John 5:24.

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# Treasure Path to Soul-Winning

**MEMORY VERSE TOPIC FOR THIS WEEK:**

**DIFFICULT PROBLEMS SOLVED: "THERE IS JUST TOO MUCH TO GIVE UP"**

(Assignment 21)

Please recite all three components of each of these five verses aloud, five times each morning, and five times each evening, for the next seven days. The three components of each verse are: Subject, Scripture Reference, and Scripture Text. (For more details, see "The Treasure Path to Soul Winning" link back on the DailyKJV page.)

**No rest.**

( ) Isaiah 57:20

But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt.

**No peace.**

( ) Isaiah 57:21

There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked.

**No happiness.**

( ) Revelation 3:17

Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked.

**(Contrast) peace.**

( ) John 14:27

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid...

**Plenty.**

( ) Psalms 34:10

The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing.