

INTRODUCTION

T'hillim / Psalms 113-118 Hallel Psalms: praise = Hallel הלל for God's redemption of his people, particularly from their bondage in Egypt, sung on Sukkot and Passover.

T'hillim / Psalms 120–134 Songs of Ascent: a title given to fifteen of the each starting with the superscription *Shir Hama'a-lot* שיר המעלות Many scholars believe the title indicates that these psalms were sung by worshippers as they ascended the road to Jerusalem to attend the three pilgrim festivals.

Psalm 118 It is generally thought to be written by David, after he was established in the kingdom, and had brought the ark of the L-rd into the city. It concludes the great "Hallel", or hymn sung at the Jewish festivals; particularly at Sukkot and Passover.

Mtt. 26.30 After singing the Hallel, they went out to the Mount of Olives. [Last praise song from the lips of Yeshua.]

SOME SELECTED VERSES

VSS 1, 29 Bookends! Opening and closing verse. Most repeated line in the Bible ~Paul Wilbur

הודו ליי כי-טוב: כי לעולם חסדו.

Hodu l' ADONI ki tov, ki l'olam khasdo.

Give thanks to ADONI, for He is good. For His lovingkindness endures forever. [Hebrew concise.]

His khesed is to us forever. כי לעולם חסדו.

kindness, benevolence; goodness, charity, grace; (flowery) favor, grace; *khesed* חֶסֶד
- (colloquial) excellent, top-class, outstanding בְּחֶסֶד

Ps 136 phrase 26x

Battlefield weapon: ^{2 Chron 20.21} After consulting with the people, he appointed those who would sing to ADONI and praise the splendor of his holiness as they went out ahead of the army, saying, "Give thanks to ADONI, for his grace continues forever." ^{2 Chron 20.23} The people of 'Amon and Mo'av began attacking those people who lived by Mount Se'ir, to kill and destroy them completely; and when they had finished off the people from Se'ir, they set to work slaughtering one another.

BOTTOM LINE TO UNDERSTANDING LIFE: כי לעולם חסדו. His khesed is to us forever.

VSS 8-9

It is better to take refuge in ADONI than to trust in human beings;

It is better to take refuge in ADONI than to put one's trust in princes.

טוב לחסות ביי -- מבטח באדם.

טוב לחסות ביי -- מבטח בנדיבים.

Tov lakhasot b'Adoni mivtoakh ba-adam.

Tov lakhasot b'Adoni mivtoakh bin-deeveem.

חֶסֶד

to shelter, to take refuge; to trust, to have faith in

בָּטַח

to rely on, to depend on, to have faith in

National Health Insurance **בטוח לאמי**
Minister of Defense **שר הבטחון**

Trust in human beings, trust in princes.

This is a BIG deal at Bat Mitzvah age.

Friendships are incredibly important during adolescence. Teen friendships help young people feel a sense of acceptance and belonging. They support the development of compassion, caring, and empathy, and they are a big part of forming a sense of identity outside the family. <https://www.newportacademy.com/resources/empowering-teens/teen-friendships/#:~:text=Friendships%20are%20incredibly%20important%20during,of%20identity%20outside%20the%20family.>



People who need people, Are the luckiest people in the world.
We're children, needing other children.
And yet letting a grown-up pride
Hide all the need inside
Acting more like children than children

<https://www.azlyrics.com/lyrics/barbrastreisand/peoplefromfunnygirl.html>

ADVANTAGES TO DEEP CONNECTION WITH PEOPLE

In the late 80s, the President of Harvard University launched a study to determine what factors most contributed to student's success. The comprehensive survey found that it wasn't SAT scores, grades, or even class attendance. Instead, the students who joined a study group were the ones most likely to succeed at Harvard. There's power in community. Working out a problem on your own might make you feel smart. But journeying together with a small group of peers, that might just make you more effective. © 2022 CHURCH FUEL. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED

“If You Want To Run Fast, Run Alone. If You Want To Run Far, Run Together.” * African proverb

<https://www.on-curating.org/issue-50-reader/if-you-want-to-run-fast-run-alone-if-you-want-to-run-far-run-together-african-proverb.html#.Y0ohXXbMJpg>

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T'hilim /Ps 118:8-9

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HAZARDS OF TRUSTING IN PEOPLE

Yerimyah/Jer 17.5 **A curse on the person who trusts in humans, who relies on merely human strength, whose heart turns away from ADONI. He will be like a bush in the 'Aravah desert— when relief comes, it is unaffected; for it lives in the sun-baked desert, in salty, uninhabited land.**

Hurt people hurt people.
The underlying wound of all is abandonment. RTF teaching.

BLESSINGS OF TRUSTING IN ADONI

Yerimiyahu/Jer 17.7-8 **Blessed is the man who trusts in ADONI; ADONI will be his security. He will be like a tree planted near water; it spreads out its roots by the river; it does not notice when heat comes; and its foliage is luxuriant; it is not anxious in a year of drought but keeps on yielding fruit.**

Yerimiyahu/Jer 17.9-10 **The heart is more deceitful than anything else and mortally sick. Who can fathom it? I, ADONI, search the heart; I test inner motivations; in order to give to everyone what his actions and conduct deserve.”**

Hebrews 13.5-6 **God himself has said, “I will never fail you or abandon you.” Therefore, we say with confidence, “ADONI is my helper; I will not be afraid — what can a human being do to me?**

Mtt. 28.19-20 **Therefore, go and make people from all nations into talmidim, immersing them into the reality of the Father, the Son and the Ruakh HaKodesh, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember! I will be with you always, yes, even until the end of the age.”**

Yn. 14.23 **Yeshua answered him, “If someone loves me, he will keep my word; and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.”**

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Trust Adoni >>>> government.

T'hilim /Ps 118:14 **ADONI is my strength and song, and He has become my salvation.**

O-zee v'zimrat Yah vay'hee lee lishua עזי וזמרת יה ויהי-לי, לי שועה

T'hilim /Ps 118:21 **I am thanking you because you answered me; you became my salvation. [Yeshua]
Shmot/Ex 15.2 and Is.12.2**

T'hilim /Ps 118:15-16 **The sound of rejoicing and victory is heard in the tents of the righteous: “ADONI's right hand struck powerfully! ADONI's right hand is raised in triumph! ADONI's right hand struck powerfully!”**

Right hand?? A psalm of David. ADONI declares to my Lord: “Sit at My right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for Your feet.” [Matt. 22:44; Acts 2:34-35; 1 Cor. 15:25; Heb. 1:13.]

T'hilim /Ps 118:25 **Please, ADONI! Save us! Please, ADONI! Rescue us!**

Ana Adoni hoshiana, ana Adoni hatslikhana .אָנָה יְיָ הוֹשִׁיעָה נָא; אָנָה יְיָ הַצְלִיחָה נָא.

T'hilim /Ps 118:26 **Blessed is he who comes in the name of ADONI. We bless you from the house of ADONI.**

Barukh ha-ba b'Shem ADONI .בְּרוּךְ הַבָּא, בְּשֵׁם יְיָ

Mtt 23.39 **For I tell you, you will never see Me again until you say, ‘Barukh ha-ba b'shem ADONI. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!’” [Also Mt 21.9 at celebrated entry to Jerusalem.]**

T'hilim /Ps 118:27

אֵל יְיָ וַיָּאֵר לָנוּ: ADONI is God, and He has given us light.

**Join the festival with branches, up to the horns of the altar. [Or]
Bind the festival offering to the horns of the altar.**

אֶסְרוּ-חַג בְּעֵבְתֵיכֶם עַד קַרְנוֹת הַמִּזְבֵּחַ.

אָסרוֹ-חַג	Join the festival	bind the festival offering		
בַּעֲבֹתַיִם	with branches	With thick cords		
עַד קַרְנוֹת הַמִּזְבֵּחַ.	up to the horns of the altar	to the horns of the altar		

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BOTTOM LINE TO UNDERSTANDING LIFE:

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כִּי לְעוֹלָם חֶסֶדּוֹ. His kheseḏ is to us forever.

So, are you?