

Psalm 83

*A Song
of Asaph
to sing and strum*

O God, do not stay quiet at this time:
Do not be silent and do not be still:
Your enemies now make an uproar, God,
And those who hate You now have raised their heads!

They make shrewd plans against Your people now,
And they conspire against Your treasured ones:
They say: "Come, let us wipe this nation out!
Let men forget the name of Israel!"

For they consult together with one mind.
Against You they have made a covenant:
The tents of Edom and the Ishmaelites,
The men of Moab and the Hagarites too!

Gebel and Ammon: Amalek as well,
Philistia, and those who dwell in Tyre:
Assyria is joining in with them:
They have become the arm of Lot! *Selah!*

Do to them as You did to Midian,
To Sisera where Kishon River flows:
At Endor were Your enemies destroyed;
Their corpses lay like dung upon the ground!

Deal with their nobles like Oreb and Zeeb,
Like Zebah and Zalmunnah, their princes,
Who said: "Let's take possession for ourselves
Of all the pasture land of the LORD God."

O God, my God, treat them like whirling dust,
Like chaff that's blown away before the wind,
Like fire that burns a forest to the ground -
A flame that sets the mountainside ablaze!

Pursue them with Your tempest, God, I pray,
And terrify them with Your mighty storm!
Humiliate their faces, LORD, I pray,
And they will turn and seek Your name, O LORD!

Let them be put to shame and terrified,
And be abased, and perish from the earth
That they may know that You, alone, O LORD,
Are the Most High Who rules o'er all the earth!

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