

Responsorial Psalms

#1: Psalm 23

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants,
beyond my fears, from death into life.

God is my shepherd, so nothing I shall want,
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love,
I walk by the quiet waters of peace.

Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul,
you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth,
my spirit shall sing the music of your Name.

Though I should wander the valley of death,
I fear no evil, for you are at my side,
your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope.

You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred,
crowning me with love beyond my pow'r to hold.
Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life;
I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore.

#2 Psalm 25

Response: To You, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Remember your compassion, O Lord, and your merciful love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. (Response)

Relieve the anguish of my heart, and set me free from my distress. See my lowliness and suffering, and take away all my sins. (Response)

Preserve my life and rescue me. Let me not be put to shame, for in you I trust. May integrity and virtue protect me, for I have hoped in you, O Lord. (Response)

#3 Psalm 27

Response: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? (Response)

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the Lord, to inquire at his temple. (Response)

O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer me. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me. (Response)

I believe I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Wait for the Lord; be strong; be stouthearted, and wait for the Lord! (Response)

#4: Psalm 42

Response: Like a deer that longs for running streams, my soul longs for you, my God.

My soul is thirsting for God, The living God; when can I enter and appear before the face of God? (Response)

For I would go the place of your wondrous tent, all the way to the house of God, amid cries of gladness and thanksgiving, the throng keeping joyful festival. (Response)

O send forth your light and your truth; they will guide me on. They will bring me to your holy mountain, to the place where you dwell. (Response)

And I will come to the altar of God, to God, my joy and gladness. To you will I give thanks on the harp, O God, my God (Response)

#5: Psalm 63

Response: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord.

O God, you are my God; at dawn I seek you; for you my soul is thirsting. For you my flesh is pining, like dry, weary land without water. (Response)

I will bless you all my life; in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet; with joyful lips, my mouth shall praise you. (Response)

I have come before you in the sanctuary, to behold your strength and your glory. Your loving mercy is better than life; my lips will speak your praise. (Response)

When I remember you upon my bed, I muse on you through the watches of the night. For you have been my strength; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. (Response)

#6: Psalm 103

Response: The Lord is kind and merciful.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name. Bless the Lord O my soul, and never forget all his benefits. (Response)

It is the Lord who forgives all your sins, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with mercy and compassion. (Response)

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and rich in mercy. He does not treat us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our faults, (Response)

As far as the east is from the west, so far from us does he remove our transgressions. As a father has compassion on his children, the Lord's compassion is on those who fear him. (Response)

#7: Psalm 116 (Gather 1162)

Response: I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

I love the Lord, for he has heard my voice, my appeal; for he has turned his ear to me whenever I call. (Response)

They surrounded me, the snares of death; the anguish of the grave has found me; anguish and sorrow I found. I called on the name of the Lord: "Deliver my soul, O Lord!" (Response)

How gracious is the Lord, and just; our God has compassion. The Lord protects the simple; I was brought low, and he saved me. (Response)

He has kept my soul from death, my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling. I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living. (Response)