

A PSALM THAT IS ALL ABOUT SHABBAT

Psalm 92:1-15 A Song for the day of the **Shabbat**. It is good to **praise** **Yahweh** ("yadah" – use your hands!) and to **make melody** ("zamar" – stroke the strings!) to the honour of Your Name, O Most High; to **proclaim** ("naghad" – without being ashamed!) Your steadfast love ("**chasdecha**" – NW 92) in the morning and Your faithfulness in the nights; upon the ten-stringed instrument and upon the harp, with string music on the lyre. For You have made me glad, **Yahweh**, through Your deeds; I **triumph** ("ranan" – give expression to my joy) over the works of Your hands. **How great are Your works, O Yahweh; very deep are Your thoughts! A dull person does not know, and a fool does not understand this: when the wicked ones grow like the plants and all the workers of unrighteousness flourish, it is to destroy them forever. But You are exalted on high forever, Yahweh! For behold, Your enemies, O Yahweh, behold, Your enemies shall perish; all the workers of unrighteousness shall be scattered. But You exalt my horn like that of a wild ox; I am anointed with fresh oil. And my eye looks down with approval on those who lie in wait for me, my ears hear of those who rise up against me as evildoers. The righteous shall flourish** ("parach" – suddenly, irresistibly) like a palm tree; he shall **grow** ("sagah" – become greater and more) like a cedar in Lebanon. **Planted in the house of Yahweh** (the place where believers seek the presence of their Creator), they shall grow in the courtyards of our Elohim. In grey old age they shall still **bear fruit** ("nuv" – the proof that there was growth), they shall be fat and green (not of old age!), to declare that **Yahweh** is just, truly my Rock, the One in whom there is no unrighteousness.

SEVEN "SHABBAT WORDS" (NV OF 92) IN THE PSALMS

1.Chasidai (receivers of favour or favoured ones) "Yahweh loves the right and will not forsake His favoured ones" 37:28 ... **2.B'phi** (In/with my mouth) "I will praise Yahweh always; His praise shall continually be in my mouth" 34:1 ... **3.Chasdecha** (Your goodness/steadfast love) "In the morning I want to proclaim Your goodness" 92:2 ... **4.Pachad** (fear of Yahweh) "Rulers have persecuted me, but my heart fears Your word" 119:161 ... **5.Avadav** (His servants) "His servants shall inherit Zion and the lovers of His Name shall dwell in it" 69:36 ... **6.B'odi** (as long as I exist) "I will sing to the honour of Yahweh as long as I live, I will make melody to the honour of my Elohim as long as I exist" 104:33 ... **7.Y'halleluhu** (let them praise Him) "Let them exalt Him in the assembly of the people and let them praise Him in the circle of the elders" 107:32.

IN CONCLUSION: It is on the **Shabbat**, and with the calling upon Yahweh's **Name**, that His **FAVOURD ONES** come together to bring praise to Him with their hands, hearts, and **MOUTHS**, for His great **STEADFAST LOVE** in their lives. They do this out of **FEAR** and awe for Him, knowing that they are nothing more than His **SERVANTS**. And furthermore, they do this with the desire **AS LONG AS THEY EXIST** never to cease coming before Him with the **HALLELUYAHS** of their hearts, and only to bring honour to His Name.