

PSALM 81

Sing to God, both long and loud; to Jacob's God, give joyful shout.

- 2 Lift up a song, and tabret bring; delightsome harp, and lyre's sweet string.
- 3 Blow cornet in, the new moon's way; when it is full, on the feast day.
- 4 Decreed to Israel, as a law; an ordinance, from Jacob's God.
- 5 Witnessed by Joseph, from Egypt to go; hearing a lip, we did not know.
- 6 Turned his shoulder, from loads he'd pull; his hands set free, from baskets full.
- 7 At anguished cry, I pulled you out; proving you, at Meribah's spout. (Pause)
- 8 Listen people, as I repeat; Israel hearken, unto Me.
- 9 No adulterous god, should you let stand; nor bow to gods, from foreign lands.
- 10 I'm your Lord God, Who brought you out; from Egypt filled, your open mouth.
- 11 My tribes would never, heed my call; not Israel's will, no not at all.
- 12 Pushed them off, to twisted hearts; in their own counsels, walking lost.
- 13 Oh that My tribes, would hear at last; Israel walk, within my paths.
- 14 I'd quickly vanquish, all their foes; turn My hand, to bring them woe.
- 15 Who hates the Lord, shall surely fail; but our times ever, shall prevail.
- 16 On finest grain, He'd make us sup; with honeyed cliffs, He'd fill us up.