

PSALM 147

Shine to the Lord for it is good, to sing unto our God; delightful and so beautiful, to sing forth hymns of laud.

- 2 The Lord has built Jerusalem, (His holy sacred hill); collecting those cast out by men, with Israel to fill.
- 3 He mends each heart that has been burst, and heals the broken mind; He wraps up every pain and wound, (for He is true and kind).
- 4 Enumerates how many stars, do blaze across the sky; addressing each by its own name, (for they tell of the Christ).
- 5 Great is our Lord and powerful, with strength and wealth and might; His understanding infinite, no counting could suffice.
- 6 The Lord restores the humble, the meek He gives great worth; but all the wicked He casts down, to lay upon the earth.
- 7 Keep your eyes upon the Lord, with adoration sure; striking on the harp to God, with music sweet and pure.
- 8 Who fills the heavens with His clouds, and sets rain for the land; Who makes the grass to sprout and bud, on mountains where they stand.
- 9 He gives each animal its food, providing what they need; and even to young raven cries, the Lord will now take heed.
- 10 He's never pleased with equine strength, a mighty horse's stand; nor is He ever satisfied, by powerful legs of man.
- 11 The Lord is pleased when held in awe, by those who do obey; for those who wait so patiently, to see His kindly ways.
- 12 Shout to the Lord Jerusalem, commend Him with a song; shine forth to Your God O Zion, praise Him loud and long.
- 13 He has strengthened all your bars, and fastened tight your gates; blessing all your sons within, where safely they await.
- 14 He brings peace to your borders, great rest He doth impart; fills you up and satisfies, with harvest's choicest part.
- 15 He shoots out His commandment, across the earth's wide vale; His Word runs forth and rushes out, swift as a mighty gale.
- 16 Providing snow as white as wool, and scatters far and wide; the whitened frost like ashes, frozen at His side.
- 17 He hurls out icy hailstones, like food tossed to a beast; and who can stand before such cold, where warmth and sun all cease?
- 18 He sends His Word and melts them, dissolving every berg; His spirit blows and waters drip, (His power to observe).
- 19 He showed His Word to Jacob, (who beheld its great reward); Israel saw His statutes, and His judgments truly heard.

20 He never gave to any nation, or a land to know His will; His judgments the
Lord's given us, we praise Him ever still.