

Psalm 77

4. ⁷Will God (said I) at once for all,
cast off his people thus:
So that hence forth no time he shall,
be friendly unto us?
⁸What? Is his goodness clean decayed,
forever and a day?
Or is his promise now delayed,
and doth his truth decay?
5. ⁹And will the Lord our God forget,
his mercies manifold?
Or shall his wrath increase so hot,
his mercy to withhold?
¹⁰At last I said, my weakness is
the cause of this mistrust:
God's mighty hand can help all this,
And change it when he lust.
6. ¹¹I will regard and think upon,
the working of the Lord:
Of all his wonders past and gone,
I gladly will record.
¹²Yea, all his works I will declare,
and what he did devise:
To tell his facts I will not spare,
and eke his counsel wise.
7. ¹³Thy works (O Lord) are all upright
and holy all abroad:
What one hath strength to match might
of thee, O Lord our God?
¹⁴Thou art a God, that dost forth show
thy wonders every hour,
And so dost make the people know,
thy virtue and thy power.
8. ¹⁵And thine own folk thou didst defend,
with strength and stretched arm:
The sons of Jacob that descend,
and Joseph's seed from harm.
¹⁶The waters, Lord, perceived thee,
the water saw thee well:
And they for fear aside did flee,
the depths on trembling fell.
9. ¹⁷The clouds that were both thick and black
did rain full plenteously:
The thunder in the air did crack,
thy shafts abroad did flee.
¹⁸Thy thunder in the fire was heard,
the lightning from above:
With flashes great made men afeared,³³
the earth did quake and move.
10. ¹⁹Thy ways within the sea do lie,
thy path in waters deep.
Yet none can there thy steps espy,
nor know thy path to keep.
²⁰Thou leadest thy folk upon the land,
as sheep on every side:
By Moses and by Aaron's hand,
thou didst them safely guide.

³³ Afraid.