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Psalms 71.

1 . ELOHIM the Rock of Salvation. .

In you, YHWH, I take refuge. Never let me be disappointed.

- 2 Deliver me in your righteousness, and rescue me. Turn your ear to me, and save me.
- 3 Be to me a rock of refuge to which I may always go. Give the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.
- 4 Rescue me, my ELOHIM, from the hand of the wicked, from the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.
- 5 For you are my hope, ADONAI YHWH; my confidence from my youth.
- 6 I have relied on you from the womb. You are he who took me out of my mother's womb. I will always praise you.
- 7 I am a marvel to many, but you are my strong refuge.
- 8 My mouth shall be filled with your praise, with your honor all the day.
- 9 Don't reject me in my old age. Don't forsake me when my strength fails.
- 10 For my enemies talk about me. Those who watch for my soul conspire together,
- 11 saying, "ELOHIM has forsaken him. Pursue and take him, for no one will rescue him."
- 12 ELOHIM, don't be far from me. My ELOHIM, hurry to help me.
- 13 Let my accusers be disappointed and consumed. Let them be covered with disgrace and scorn who want to harm me.
- 14 But I will always hope, and will add to all of your praise.
- 15 My mouth will tell about your righteousness, and of your salvation all day, though I don't know its full measure.
- 16 I will come with the mighty acts of ADONAI YHWH! I will make mention of your righteousness, even of yours alone.
- 17 ELOHIM, you have taught me from my youth. Until now, I have declared your wondrous works.
- 18 Yes, even when I am old and gray-haired, ELOHIM, don't forsake me, until I have declared your strength to the next generation, your might to everyone who is to come.
- 19 Your righteousness also, ELOHIM, reaches to the heavens; you have done great things. ELOHIM, who is like you?
- 20 You, who have shown us many and bitter troubles, you will let me live. You will bring us up again from the depths of the earth.
- 21 Increase my honor, and comfort me again.
- 22 I will also praise you with the harp for your faithfulness, my ELOHIM! I sing praises to you with the lyre, Holy One of Israel.
- 23 My lips shall shout for joy! My soul, which you have redeemed, sings praises to you!
- 24 My tongue will also talk about your righteousness all day long, for they are disappointed, and they are confounded, who want to harm me.

Proverbs 30.

. The Wisdom of Agur. .

The words of Agur the son of Jakeh, the oracle: the man says to Ithiel, to Ithiel and Ucal:

- 2 "Surely I am the most ignorant man, and don't have a man's understanding.
- 3 I have not learned wisdom, neither do I have the knowledge of the Holy One.
- 4 Who has ascended up into heaven, and descended? Who has gathered the wind in his fists? Who has bound the waters in his garment? Who has established all the ends of the

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earth? What is his name, and what is his son's name, if you know?

- 5 "Every word of ELOHIM is flawless. He is a shield to those who take refuge in him.
- 6 Don't you add to his words, lest he reprove you, and you be found a liar.
- 7 "Two things I have asked of you; don't deny me before I die:
- 8 Remove far from me falsehood and lies. Give me neither poverty nor riches. Feed me with the food that is needful for me;
- 9 lest I be full, deny you, and say, 'Who is YHWH?' or lest I be poor, and steal, and so dishonor the name of my ELOHIM!
- 10 "Don't slander a servant to his master, lest he curse you, and you be held guilty.
- 11 There is a generation that curses their father, and doesn't bless their mother.
- 12 There is a generation that is pure in their own eyes, yet are not washed from their filthiness.
- 13 There is a generation, oh how lofty are their eyes! Their eyelids are lifted up.
- 14 There is a generation whose teeth are like swords, and their jaws like knives, to devour the poor from the earth, and the needy from among men.
- 15 "The leach has two daughters: 'Give, give.' "There are three things that are never satisfied; four that don't say, 'Enough:'
- 16 Sheol, the barren womb; the earth that is not satisfied with water; and the fire that doesn't say, 'Enough.'
- 17 "The eye that mocks at his father, and scorns obedience to his mother: the ravens of the valley shall pick it out, the young eagles shall eat it.
- 18 "There are three things which are too amazing for me, four which I don't understand:
- 19 The way of an eagle in the air; the way of a serpent on a rock; the way of a ship in the midst of the sea; and the way of a man with a maiden.
- 20 "So is the way of an adulterous woman: she eats and wipes her mouth, and says, 'I have done nothing wrong.'
- 21 "For three things the earth tremble, and under four, it can't bear up:
- 22 For a servant when he is king; a fool when he is filled with food;
- 23 for an unloved woman when she is married; and a handmaid who is heir to her mistress.
- 24 "There are four things which are little on the earth, but they are exceedingly wise:
- 25 the ants are not a strong people, yet they provide their food in the summer.
- 26 The conies are but a feeble folk, yet make they their houses in the rocks.
- 27 The locusts have no king, yet they advance in ranks.
- 28 You can catch a lizard with your hands, yet it is in kings' palaces.
- 29 "There are three things which are stately in their march, four which are stately in going:
- 30 The lion, which is mightiest among animals, and doesn't turn away for any;
- 31 the greyhound, the male goat also; and the king against whom there is no rising up.
- 32 "If you have done foolishly in lifting up yourself, or if you have thought evil, put your hand over your mouth.
- 33 For as the churning of milk brings forth butter, and the wringing of the nose brings forth blood; so the forcing of wrath brings forth strife."

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