

PRAYER OF AZARIAS

¹ Then Azarias stood up, and prayed on this manner; and opening his mouth in the midst of the fire said,

² Blessed are you, O Lord God of our fathers: your name is worthy to be praised and glorified for evermore:

³ For you are righteous in all the things that you have done to us: yes, true are all your works, your ways are right, and all your judgments truth.

⁴ In all the things that you have brought upon us, and upon the holy city of our fathers, even Jerusalem, you have executed true judgment: for according to truth and judgment did you bring all these things upon us because of our sins.

⁵ For we have sinned and committed iniquity, departing from you.

⁶ In all things have we trespassed, and not obeyed your commandments, nor kept them, neither done as you have commanded us, that it might go well with us.

⁷ Therefore all that you have brought upon us, and every thing that you have done to us, you have done in true judgment.

⁸ And you did deliver us into the hands of lawless enemies, most hateful forsakers of God, and to an unjust king, and the most wicked in all the world.

⁹ And now we can't open our mouths, we are become a shame and reproach to your servants; and to them that worship you.

¹⁰ Yet deliver us not up wholly, for your name's sake, neither disannul you your covenant:

¹¹ And cause not your mercy to depart from us, for your beloved Abraham's sake, for your servant Isaac's sake, and for your holy Israel's sake;

¹² To whom you have spoken and promised, that you would multiply their seed as the stars of heaven, and as the sand that lies upon the seashore.

¹³ For we, O Lord, are become less than any nation, and be kept under this day in all the world because of our sins.

¹⁴ Neither is there at this time prince, or prophet, or leader, or burnt offering, or sacrifice, or oblation, or incense, or place to sacrifice before you, and to find mercy.

¹⁵ Nevertheless in a contrite heart and an humble spirit let us be accepted.

¹⁶ Like as in the burnt offerings of rams and bullocks, and like as in ten thousands of fat lambs: so let our sacrifice be in your sight this day, and grant that we may wholly go after you: for they shall not be confounded that put their trust in you.

¹⁷ And now we follow you with all our heart, we fear you, and seek your face.

¹⁸ Put us not to shame: but deal with us after your lovingkindness, and according to the multitude of your mercies.

¹⁹ Deliver us also according to your marvelous works, and give glory to your name, O Lord: and let all them that do your servants hurt be ashamed;

²⁰ And let them be confounded in all their power and might, and let their strength be broken;

²¹ And let them know that you are God, the only God, and glorious over the whole world.

²² And the king's servants, that put them in, ceased not to make the oven hot with rosin, pitch, tow, and small wood;

²³ So that the flame streamed forth above the furnace forty and nine cubits.

²⁴ And it passed through, and burned those Chaldeans it found about the furnace.

²⁵ But the angel of the Lord came down into the oven together with Azarias and his fellows, and struck the flame of the fire out of the oven;

²⁶ And made the midst of the furnace as it had been a moist whistling wind, so that the fire touched them not at all, neither hurt nor troubled them.

²⁷ Then the three, as out of one mouth, praised, glorified, and blessed, God in the furnace, saying,

²⁸ Blessed are you, O Lord God of our fathers: and to be praised and exalted above all for ever.

²⁹ And blessed is your glorious and holy name: and to be praised and exalted above all for ever.

³⁰ Blessed are you in the temple of your holy glory: and to be praised and glorified above all for ever.

³¹ Blessed are you that behold the depths, and sit upon the cherubims: and to be praised and

exalted above all for ever.

³² Blessed are you on the glorious throne of your kingdom: and to be praised and glorified above all for ever.

³³ Blessed are you in the firmament of heaven: and above all to be praised and glorified for ever.

³⁴ O all you ^ works of the Lord, bless you ^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever,

³⁵ O you ^ heavens, bless you ^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

³⁶ O you ^ angels of the Lord, bless you ^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

³⁷ O all you ^ waters that be above the heaven, bless you ^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

³⁸ O all you ^ powers of the Lord, bless you ^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

³⁹ O you ^ sun and moon, bless you ^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

⁴⁰ O you ^ stars of heaven, bless you ^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

⁴¹ O every shower and dew, bless you ^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

⁴² O all you ^ winds, bless you ^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever,

⁴³ O you ^ fire and heat, bless you ^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

⁴⁴ O you ^ winter and summer, bless you ^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

⁴⁵ O you ^ dews and storms of snow, bless you ^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

46 O you^ nights and days, bless you^ the Lord: bless and exalt him above all for ever.

47 O you^ light and darkness, bless you^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

48 O you^ ice and cold, bless you^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

49 O you^ frost and snow, bless you^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

50 O you^ lightnings and clouds, bless you^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

51 O let the earth bless the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

52 O you^ mountains and little hills, bless you^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

53 O all you^ things that grow in the earth, bless you^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

54 O you^ mountains, bless you^ the Lord: Praise and exalt him above all for ever.

55 O you^ seas and rivers, bless you^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

56 O you^ whales, and all that move in the waters, bless you^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

57 O all you^ fowls of the air, bless you^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

58 O all you^ beasts and cattle, bless you^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

59 O you^ children of men, bless you^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

60 O Israel, bless you^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

⁶¹ O you ^ priests of the Lord, bless you ^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

⁶² O you ^ servants of the Lord, bless you ^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

⁶³ O you ^ spirits and souls of the righteous, bless you ^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

⁶⁴ O you ^ holy and humble men of heart, bless you ^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

⁶⁵ O Ananias, Azarias, and Misael, bless you ^ the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever: for he has delivered us from hell, and saved us from the hand of death, and delivered us out of the midst of the furnace and burning flame: even out of the midst of the fire has he delivered us.

⁶⁶ O give thanks to the Lord, because he is gracious: for his mercy endures for ever.

⁶⁷ O all you ^ that worship the Lord, bless the God of gods, praise him, and give him thanks: for his mercy endures for ever.

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