

Psalm 33

"Praise Psalm!"

Anonymous Hymn of Praise

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A1 CALL TO PRAISE 33:1-3

B1 The Participants in Praise 33:1

- C1 The Righteous: {1} Sing for joy in the LORD, O you righteous ones;
- C2 The Upright: Praise is becoming to the upright.

B2 The Instruments of Praise 33:2

- C1 Lyre: {2} Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre;
- C2 Voice: Sing praises to Him
- C3 Harp: with a harp of ten strings.

B3 The Zest of Praise 33:3

- C1 Innovation: {3} Sing to Him a new song;
- C2 Competence: Play skillfully
- C3 Exuberance: with a shout of joy.

A2 REASONS FOR PRAISE 33:4-19

B1 His Speech, Conduct, and Character 33:4-5

- C1 His upright word: {4} For the word of the LORD is upright,
- C2 His faithful work: And all His work is *done* in faithfulness.
- C3 His love of goodness: {5} He loves righteousness and justice;
- C4 His ubiquitous loyal love: The earth is full of the lovingkindness of the LORD.

B2 His Creative Ability 33:6-9

C1 In regard to the heavens 33:6

D1 {6} By the word of the LORD the heavens were made,

D2 And by the breath of His mouth all their host.

C2 In regard to the waters 33:7

D1 The seas: {7} He gathers the waters of the sea together as a heap;

D2 The subterranean waters: He lays up the deeps in storehouses.

C3 The reaction to His creation 33:8

D1 Fear: {8} Let all the earth fear the LORD;

D2 Awe: Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him.

C4 The reason for the reaction 33:9

D1 {9} For He spoke, and it was done;

D2 He commanded, and it stood fast.

B3 His Sovereignty 33:10-15

C1 Over the nations 33:10-12

D1 His thwarting of nations' plans

E1 {10} The LORD nullifies the counsel of the nations;

E2 He frustrates the plans of the peoples.

D2 His inevitable achievement of His own plans

E1 {11} The counsel of the LORD stands forever,

E2 The plans of His heart from generation to generation.

D3 His blessing of His chosen nation (Israel)

E1 He is their God: {12} Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD,

E2 He has chosen them: The people whom He has chosen for His own inheritance.

C2 Over individuals 33:13-15

D1 He sees men clear from heaven 33:13

E1 {13} The LORD looks from heaven;

E2 He sees all the sons of men;

D2 He observes men from His home: {14} From His dwelling place
He looks out On all the inhabitants of the earth, 33:14

D3 He determines men 33:15

E1 He fashions their hearts: {15} He who fashions the hearts
of them all,

E2 He understands their deeds: He who understands all their
works.

B4 His Salvation 33:16-19

C1 Not by human military might 33:16

D1 Not through military might: {16} The king is not saved by a
mighty army;

D2 Not through individual strength: A warrior is not delivered by great
strength.

D3 Not through superior military equipment 33:17

E1 {17} A horse is a false hope for victory;

E2 Nor does it deliver anyone by its great strength.

C2 But in response to human dependency on Himself 33:18

D1 The fact of Yahweh's watch-care: {18} Behold, the eye of the
LORD

D2 The objects of His watch-care

E1 is on those who fear Him,

E2 On those who hope for His lovingkindness,

D3 The results of Yahweh's watch-care 33:19

E1 {19} To deliver their soul from death

E2 And to keep them alive in famine.

A3 EXPRESSION OF CONFIDENCE 33:20-22

B1 National Dependence 33:20

- C1 Waiting on Yahweh: {20} Our soul waits for the LORD;
- C2 Acknowledging His assistance: He is our help and our shield.

B2 National Exuberance 33:21

- C1 Expression of joy: {21} For our heart rejoices in Him,
- C2 Faith as the foundation of joy: Because we trust in His holy name.

B3 National Request 33:22

- C1 For Yahweh's loyal love: {22} Let Your lovingkindness, O LORD, be upon us,
- C2 Based on Israel's hope: According as we have hoped in You.

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