

## Psalm 131

# "A Call for Child-Like Trust in Yahweh"

(A Song of Ascents,<sup>1</sup> of David.)

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### A1 EXAMPLE OF CHILD-LIKE TRUST IN YAHWEH 131:1-2

#### B1 His Pure Motives 131:1

C1 Free from Pride

D1 {1} O LORD, my heart is not proud,

D2 nor my eyes haughty;

C2 Free from Ambition<sup>2</sup>

D1 Nor do I involve myself in great matters,

D2 Or in things too difficult for me.

#### B2 His Quiet Heart 131:2

C1 His Composure: {2} Surely I have composed and quieted my soul;

C2 His Comparison

D1 Like a weaned child *rests* against his mother,

D2 My soul is like a weaned child<sup>3</sup> within me.

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<sup>1</sup> Song of Ascents: See note on Ps. 120.

<sup>2</sup> 131:1 Title - Pride, Ambition: Acknowledgments to *Ryrie Study Bible* note and to Allen P. Ross, *Psalms, The Bible Knowledge Commentary*.

<sup>3</sup> 131:2 - weaned child: After a small child has endured the difficult weaning process, it nestles against its mother, content. David had gone through great difficulties in life, but had learned simply to trust in Yahweh and be content instead of being filled with haughty ambition to be that which God had not planned. See *Ryrie Study Bible* note and Allen P. Ross, *Psalms, The Bible Knowledge Commentary*.

**A2 CALL TO ISRAEL TO HOPE IN YAHWEH 131:3**

**B1 Call to Hope:** {3} O Israel, hope in the LORD

**B2 Eternality of Hope:** From this time forth and forever.

Expanded Analysis of Psalm 131

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