

Psalm 44

Alte englische Darby-Übersetzung



1 To the chief Musician. Of the sons of Korah. An instruction. O God, with our ears have we heard, our fathers have told us, the work thou wroughtest in their days, in the days of old: **2** Thou, by thy hand, didst dispossess the nations, but them thou didst plant; thou didst afflict the peoples, but them didst thou cause to spread out. **3** For not by their own sword did they take possession of the land, neither did their own arm save them; but thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, because thou hadst delight in them. **4** Thou thyself art my king, O God: command deliverance for Jacob. **5** Through thee will we push down our adversaries; through thy name will we tread them under that rise up against us. **6** For I will not put confidence in my bow, neither shall my sword save me. **7** For thou hast saved us from our adversaries, and hast put them to shame that hate us. **8** In God will we boast all the day, and we will praise thy name for ever. Selah.

9 But thou hast cast off, and put us to confusion, and dost not go forth with our armies; **10** Thou hast made us to turn back from the adversary, and they that hate us spoil for themselves; **11** Thou hast given us over like sheep appointed for meat, and hast scattered us among the nations; **12** Thou hast sold thy people for nought, and hast not increased thy wealth by their price; **13** Thou makest us a reproach to our neighbours, a mockery and a derision for them that are round about us; **14** Thou makest us a byword among the nations, a shaking of the head among the peoples. **15** All the day my confusion is before me, and the shame of my face hath covered me, **16** Because of the voice of him that reproacheth and blasphemeth; by reason of the enemy and the avenger.

17 All this is come upon us; yet have we not forgotten thee, neither have we dealt falsely against thy covenant: **18** Our heart is not turned back, neither have our steps declined from thy path; **19** Though thou hast crushed us in the place of jackals, and covered us with the shadow of death. **20** If we had forgotten the name of our God, and stretched out our hands to a strange *god, **21** Would not God search this out? for he knoweth the secrets of the heart. **22** But for thy sake are we killed all the day long; we are reckoned as sheep for slaughter. **23** Awake, why sleepest thou, Lord? arise, cast us not off for ever. **24** Wherefore hidest thou thy face, and forgettest our affliction and our oppression? **25** For our soul is bowed down to the dust; our belly cleaveth unto the earth. **26** Rise up for our help, and redeem us for thy loving-kindness' sake.