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Shout for joy in Adonai, O you righteous! **Praise** befits the upright.

רָנַן

(ranan)

- emotional verbal expressions -

Leviticus 9:24 And fire came out from before Adonai and consumed the burnt offering and the pieces of fat on the altar, and when all the people saw it, they **shouted** and fell on their faces.

Lamentations 2:19 “Arise, **cry out** in the night, at the beginning of the night watches! Pour out your heart like water before the presence of the Lord! Lift your hands to Him for the lives of your children, who faint for hunger at the head of every street.”

Isaiah 24:14 They lift up their voices, they **sing** for joy; over the majesty of Adonai they shout from the west.

1 Kings 22:36 And about sunset a **cry** went through the army, “Every man to his city, and every man to his country!”

תהלה

(te'hilah)

“praise” (n.)

הלל *(halal)*

(lit. “to reflect”)

Exodus 15:11 “Who is like You, Adonai, among the gods? Who is like You, majestic in holiness, awesome in **praises**, doing wonders?” (1st occurrence)

Job 29:3 When His lamp **shone** [הלל, *halal*] upon my head, and by His light I walked through darkness...

Isaiah 13:10 For the stars of the heavens and their constellations will not give their light; the sun will be dark at its rising, and the moon will no longer **shine**.

Isaiah 14:12 “How you are fallen from heaven, O **Shining One** [הִילָל, *heileil*], son of Dawn! How you are cut down to the ground, you who laid the nations low!”

2-3

Give thanks to Adonai with the **lyre** [כִּנּוֹר, *kinor*]. With the **harp of ten strings** [נְבֵל עֶשׂוֹר, *neivel asur*] make melody to Him! Sing to Him a new **song** [שִׁיר, *shir*]. **Play** [נָגַן, *nagan*] skillfully with loud shouts.

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That (a) the word of Adonai is **upright**, and (b) all His work is done in **faithfulness**.

יָשָׁר
(*yashar*)
“straight”

אֱמוּנָה
(*emunah*)
“faithfulness”

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He loves **righteousness** and **justice**; the earth is full of the steadfast love of Adonai.

צְדָקָה and מִשְׁפָּט
(*zedakah*) (*mishpat*)

Genesis 18:19 “For I have chosen [Abraham], that he may command his children and his household after him to keep the way of Adonai by doing **righteousness and justice**, so that Adonai may bring to Abraham what He has promised him.”

Proverbs 21:3 To do **righteousness and justice** is more acceptable to Adonai than sacrifice.

Psalms 89:14 **Righteousness and justice** are the foundation of Your throne; steadfast love and faithfulness go before You.

6-8

By the word of Adonai the heavens were made, and by the breath of His mouth all their host. ⁷ He gathers the waters of the sea as a **heap**; He puts the deeps in **storehouses**. ⁸ Let all the earth fear Adonai; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him!

9-12

For He spoke, and it came to be; He commanded, and it stood firm. ¹⁰ Adonai brings the **counsel** of the nations to nothing; He frustrates the **thoughts** of the peoples. ¹¹ The **counsel** of Adonai stands forever, the **thoughts** of His heart to all generations. ¹² Blessed is the nation whose God is Adonai, the people whom He has chosen as His heritage!

13-17

Adonai (a) **looks** [נבט, *navat*] down from heaven; He (b) **sees** [ראה, *ra'ah*] all the children of Adam. ¹⁴ From where He sits enthroned He (c) **looks intently** [רגש, *shagach*] upon all the inhabitants of the earth, ¹⁵ He who fashions the hearts of them all and (d) **observes** [יבין, *bein*] all their deeds.

¹⁶ The king is not saved by his great army; a warrior is not delivered by his great strength. ¹⁷ The war horse is a lie in regard to salvation, and by its great might it cannot provide escape.

18-22

Behold, the (e) **eye of Adonai** is on those who fear Him, on those who hope in His steadfast love, ¹⁹ that He may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine. ²⁰ Our soul waits for Adonai; He is our help and our shield. ²¹ For our heart is glad in Him, because we trust in His holy name. ²² Let Your steadfast love, O Adonai, be upon us, even as we hope in You.

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Verse 13-15

Isaiah 14:16 Those who see [ראה, *ra'ah*] you will stare [רגש, *shagach*] at you and ponder [יבין, *bein*] over you: “Is this the man who made the earth tremble, who shook kingdoms...?”