



To the choirmaster: according to Jeduthun.

A Psalm of David.

1-4

Only for God my soul waits in silence; from Him comes my salvation. ² **Only** He is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken. ³ How long will all of you attack a man to murder him, like a leaning wall, a **tottering** fence? ⁴ **Only** from his high position they plan to **totter** him. They take pleasure in falsehood. They bless [him] with their mouths, but inwardly they curse [him]. *Selah*

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(*ach*)

“only, but, surely”

5-8

Only for God wait in silence, O my soul. For from Him is my hope. ⁶ **Only** He is my rock and my salvation, my fortress. I shall not be shaken. ⁷ On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God. ⁸ Trust in Him at all times, O people; pour out your hearts before Him; God is a refuge for us. *Selah*

9-12

Only breath are the sons of Adam; sons of man are a falsehood. On the scales, they are together lighter than breath. ¹⁰ Put no trust in oppression or hope in theft. If riches increase, set not your heart on them. ¹¹ **One thing God has spoken, two things have I heard:** that strength belongs to God, ¹² and Your's, O Lord, is lovingkindness. For You will render to a man according to his works.

REFERENCES:

THEME:

The theme of this psalm is: only God can be faithfully relied upon. Even people who are good and generally reliable are apt to lose interest, move away, believe lies, lose focus, or just fade and weaken spiritually... and some of these causes are not even their fault. (aging, illness, dementia, death, etc. – see Psalm 27:10.) We tend to think that our personal relationships are of prime importance and God comes alongside to assist with those. But in truth, our relationship with God is of sole importance, and all other relationships are for the purpose of enhancing and framing this singular and primary relationship.

Psalm 27:10 Though my father and my mother have forsaken me, Adonai will gather me in.

Verse 1

Psalm 65:1 To You, God, in Zion, silence is praise; and vows to You are to be fulfilled.

Genesis 7:23 He blotted out every living thing that was on the face of the ground, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens. They were blotted out from the earth. Only (אֶחָד, ach) Noah was left, and those who were with him in the ark. [1st app.]

Verse 11

“God rules through two traits: kindness and justice.” (Rashi)

Job 11:6 ... For sound wisdom has two sides...

Verses 11-12

Romans 11:22 Behold then the kindness and severity of God...