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Mediation

Psalm 66

*Shout for joy to God, all the earth;
sing the glory of his name;
give to him glorious praise!*

*Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!
So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.
All the earth worships you
and sings praises to you;
they sing praises to your name." Selah*

*Come and see what God has done:
he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.
He turned the sea into dry land;
they passed through the river on foot.
There did we rejoice in him,
who rules by his might forever,
whose eyes keep watch on the nations—
let not the rebellious exalt themselves. Selah*

*Bless our God, O peoples;
let the sound of his praise be heard,
who has kept our soul among the living
and has not let our feet slip.
For you, O God, have tested us;
you have tried us as silver is tried.
You brought us into the net;
you laid a crushing burden on our backs;
you let men ride over our heads;
we went through fire and through water;
yet you have brought us out to a place of abundance.
I will come into your house with burnt offerings;
I will perform my vows to you,
that which my lips uttered
and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.
I will offer to you burnt offerings of fattened animals,
with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams;
I will make an offering of bulls and goats. Selah
Come and hear, all you who fear God,
and I will tell what he has done for my soul.
I cried to him with my mouth,
and high praise was on my tongue.*

*If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,
the Lord would not have listened.
But truly God has listened;
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
Blessed be God,
because he has not rejected my prayer
or removed his steadfast love from me (Psalm 66)!*

The book of Psalms is known as the Jewish hymn book. It has five books within it: (1–41) Worship of Yahweh as the Beginning One, who is Helper; (42–72) Worship of Yahweh as the wonderworking God; (73–89) Worship of Yahweh is ceaseless; (90–106) Worship to Yahweh is rendered; and (107–150) Worship to Yahweh is complete. Psalm 66 reminds us of what God has led the Israelites of Exodus through, as well as what He has led each of us through. We have had our share of struggles, doubts, challenges, and tribulations. However, thanks to God the Father, we have come through those difficult days, and can praise Him for His unending mercy, love, and grace.

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