

Refrain: Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good.

1 Alleluia.

Praise the name of the Lord;

give praise, you servants of the Lord,

2 You that stand in the house of the Lord,

in the courts of the house of our God.

3 Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good;

make music to his name, for it is lovely.

4 For the Lord has chosen Jacob for himself

and Israel for his own possession. [R]

5 For I know that the Lord is great

and that our Lord is above all gods.

6 The Lord does whatever he pleases

in heaven and on earth,

in the seas and in all the deeps.

7 He brings up the clouds from the ends of the earth;

he makes lightning with the rain

and brings the winds out of his treasures. [R]

8 He smote the firstborn of Egypt,

the firstborn of man and beast.

9 He sent signs and wonders into your midst, O Egypt,

upon Pharaoh and all his servants.

10 He smote many nations;

and slew mighty kings:

11 Sihon, king of the Amorites,

and Og, the king of Bashan;

and all the kingdoms of Canaan.

12 He gave their land as a heritage;

a heritage for Israel his people. [R]

13 Your name, O Lord, endures for ever;

and shall be remembered through all generations.

14 For the Lord will vindicate his people;

and have compassion on his servants. [R]

15 The idols of the nations are but silver and gold;

the work of human hands.

16 They have mouths, but cannot speak;

eyes have they, but cannot see;

17 They have ears, but cannot hear;

neither is there any breath in their mouths.

18 Those who make them shall become like them;

and so will all who put their trust in them. [R]

19 Bless the Lord, O house of Israel;

O house of Aaron, bless the Lord.

20 Bless the Lord, O house of Levi;

you who fear the Lord, bless the Lord.

21 Blessed be the Lord from Zion,

who dwells in Jerusalem.

Alleluia.

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Wise and gracious God,

save us from the idols of our hearts

and keep us in your living presence,

that we may become a people for your praise

in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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