

Passion for the Lord's House  
(Daniel Israel – April 10, 2022)

Scripture Reading

Psalm 84:1-12

How lovely are Your dwelling places, Lord of armies! My soul longed and even yearned for the courtyards of the Lord.

My heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

The bird also has found a house, And the swallow a nest for herself, where she may put her young: Your altars, Lord of armies, My King, and my God.

Blessed are those who dwell in Your house!

They are ever praising You.

Blessed is the person whose strength is in You, In whose heart are the roads to Zion!

Passing through the Valley of Baca they make it a spring; The early rain also covers it with blessings.

They go from strength to strength,

Every one of them appears before God in Zion.

Lord God of armies, hear my prayer.

Listen, God of Jacob!

See our shield, God,

And look at the face of Your anointed.

For a day in Your courtyards is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God Than live in the tents of wickedness.

For the Lord God is a sun and shield;

The Lord gives grace and glory;

He withholds no good thing from those who walk with integrity. Lord of armies, Blessed is the person who trusts in You!

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LORD'S House

John 2:14-17

14 And He found in the temple those who were selling oxen and sheep and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables.

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15 And He made a scourge of cords, and drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and the oxen; and He poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables;

16 and to those who were selling the doves He said, "Take these things away; stop making My Father's house a place of business."

17 His disciples remembered that it was written, "ZEAL FOR YOUR HOUSE WILL CONSUME ME."

The Psalmist just marvels!

Psalm 84:1

1 How lovely are Your dwelling places, O LORD of hosts!

Passion for God's house,  
turns into thirst!

Psalm 84:2

2 My soul longed and even yearned for the courts of the LORD;

My heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

A passionate saint covets  
certain things concerning God's temple.

Psalm 84:3,4

3 The bird also has found a house. And the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, Even Your altars, O LORD of hosts, My King, and my God.

4 How blessed are those who dwell in Your house! They are ever praising You.

The Psalmist points to our  
real source of strength!

Psalm 84:5-7

5 How blessed is the man whose strength is in You; In whose heart are the highways to Zion!

6 Passing through the valley of Baca they make it a spring;

Psalm 84:5-7

The early rain also covers it with blessings.

7 They go from strength to strength. Every one of them appears before God in Zion.

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2 Corinthians 3:17,18

.18 But we all, with unveiled faces, looking as in a mirror at the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit.

Romans 1:17

17 For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "BUT THE RIGHTEOUS man SHALL LIVE BY FAITH."

Our Father's House is a  
HOUSE OF PRAYER

Psalm 84:8

O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer;

Give ear, O God of Jacob!

We come to the Lord's house to give thanks, and to offer our supplications.

Our Lord is our  
Strength and Shield

Psalm 84:9

Behold our shield, O God  
And look upon the face of Your anointed.

The Lord blesses  
from all angles

Psalm. 84:10

For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand outside. I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

Psalm 84:11;12

11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield;

The LORD gives grace and glory;

No good thing does He withhold  
from those who walk uprightly.

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120 LORD of hosts, How blessed is the man who trusts in You!

Psalm. 122:1

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD."

Psalm. 122:1

Let the zeal for  
Him and His House  
consume us.

1. His house is marvelous
2. His love is so marvelous; we thirst for Him.
3. Let us covet His house with zeal.
4. Because our strength is in Christ alone
5. His house is a house of prayer.
6. The Lord is our shield!
7. It is a privilege and joy to be in the house of the Lord.
8. The Lord is our keeper, and He blesses us from all angles!