

# PRAYER OF AZARIAH

- [1] And they walked in the midst of the fire, praising God, and blessing the Lord.
- [2] Then Azarias stood up, and prayed on this manner; and opening his mouth in the midst of the fire said,
- [3] Blessed art thou, O Lord God of our fathers: thy name is worthy to be praised and glorified for evermore:
- [4] For thou art righteous in all the things that thou hast done to us: yea, true are all thy works, thy ways are right, and all thy judgments truth.
- [5] In all the things that thou hast brought upon us, and upon the holy city of our fathers, even Jerusalem, thou hast executed true judgment: for according to truth and judgment didst thou bring all these things upon us because of our sins.
- [6] For we have sinned and committed iniquity, departing from thee.
- [7] In all things have we trespassed, and not obeyed thy commandments, nor kept them, neither done as thou hast commanded us, that it might go well with us.
- [8] Wherefore all that thou hast brought upon us, and everything that thou hast done to us, thou hast done in true judgment.
- [9] And thou didst deliver us into the hands of lawless enemies, most hateful forsakers of God, and to an unjust king, and the most wicked in all the world.

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- [10] And now we cannot open our mouths, we are become a shame and reproach to thy servants; and to them that worship thee.
- [11] Yet deliver us not up wholly, for thy name's sake, neither disannul thou thy covenant:
- [12] And cause not thy mercy to depart from us, for thy beloved Abraham's sake, for thy servant Isaac's sake, and for thy holy Israel's sake;
- [13] To whom thou hast spoken and promised, that thou wouldest multiply their seed as the stars of heaven, and as the sand that lieth upon the seashore.
- [14] For we, O Lord, are become less than any nation, and be kept under this day in all the world because of our sins.
- [15] Neither is there at this time prince, or prophet, or leader, or burnt offering, or sacrifice, or oblation, or incense, or place to sacrifice before thee, and to find mercy.
- [16] Nevertheless in a contrite heart and an humble spirit let us be accepted.
- [17] Like as in the burnt offerings of rams and bullocks, and like as in ten thousands of fat lambs: so let our sacrifice be in thy sight this day, and grant that we may wholly go after thee: for they shall not be confounded that put their trust in thee.
- [18] And now we follow thee with all our heart, we fear thee, and seek thy face.
- [19] Put us not to shame: but deal with us after thy loving kindness, and according to the multitude of thy mercies.

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- [20] Deliver us also according to thy marvellous works, and give glory to thy name, O Lord: and let all them that do thy servants hurt be ashamed;
- [21] And let them be confounded in all their power and might, and let their strength be broken;
- [22] And let them know that thou art God, the only God, and glorious over the whole world.
- [23] And the king's servants, that put them in, ceased not to make the oven hot with rosin, pitch, tow, and small wood;
- [24] So that the flame streamed forth above the furnace forty and nine cubits.
- [25] And it passed through, and burned those Chaldeans it found about the furnace.
- [26] But the angel of the Lord came down into the oven together with Azarias and his fellows, and smote the flame of the fire out of the oven;
- [27] And made the midst of the furnace as it had been a moist whistling wind, so that the fire touched them not at all, neither hurt nor troubled them.
- [28] Then the three, as out of one mouth, praised, glorified, and blessed, God in the furnace, saying,
- [29] Blessed art thou, O Lord God of our fathers: and to be praised and exalted above all forever.

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- [30] And blessed is thy glorious and holy name: and to be praised and exalted above all forever.
- [31] Blessed art thou in the temple of thine holy glory: and to be praised and glorified above all forever.
- [32] Blessed art thou that beholdest the depths, and sittest upon the cherubims: and to be praised and exalted above all forever.
- [33] Blessed art thou on the glorious throne of thy kingdom: and to be praised and glorified above all forever.
- [34] Blessed art thou in the firmament of heaven: and above all to be praised and glorified forever.
- [35] O all ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise and exalt him above all forever,
- [36] O ye heavens, bless ye the Lord : praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [37] O ye angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [38] O all ye waters that be above the heaven, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [39] O all ye powers of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.

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- [40] O ye sun and moon, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [41] O ye stars of heaven, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [42] O every shower and dew, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [43] O all ye winds, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever,
- [44] O ye fire and heat, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [45] O ye winter and summer, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [46] O ye dews and storms of snow, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [47] O ye nights and days, bless ye the Lord: bless and exalt him above all forever.
- [48] O ye light and darkness, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [49] O ye ice and cold, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [50] O ye frost and snow, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.

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- [51] O ye lightnings and clouds, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [52] O let the earth bless the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.
- [53] O ye mountains and little hills, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [54] O all ye things that grow in the earth, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [55] O ye mountains, bless ye the Lord: Praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [56] O ye seas and rivers, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [57] O ye whales, and all that move in the waters, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [58] O all ye fowls of the air, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [59] O all ye beasts and cattle, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [60] O ye children of men, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [61] O Israel, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.

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- [62] O ye priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [63] O ye servants of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [64] O ye spirits and souls of the righteous, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [65] O ye holy and humble men of heart, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever.
- [66] O Ananias, Azarias, and Misael, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all forever: far he hath delivered us from hell, and saved us from the hand of death, and delivered us out of the midst of the furnace and burning flame: even out of the midst of the fire hath he delivered us.
- [67] O give thanks unto the Lord, because he is gracious: for his mercy endureth forever.
- [68] O all ye that worship the Lord, bless the God of gods, praise him, and give him thanks: for his mercy endureth forever.