



Bless the LORD O My Soul -Psalm 103

Part of Book 4's (90-106) response
to the questions of Psalm 89:46-49:

Where is God's steadfast love?

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1) Inviting Self to Worship [v1-5]

God's blessings touched David's inner man, emotions.

YHWH's OT patterns have continued down to today.

He forgives & heals, He rescues from the pit.

We must join David in Blessing the LORD!

2) Inviting Israel to Worship (v6-9)

3) Inviting Both of Us to Worship (v10-14)

4) Inviting ALL Humanity to Worship (v15-18)

5) Inviting Heavenly Hosts to Worship (v19-22)

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YHWH did *righteous acts* for Israel & revealed His *ways*.

David reminds them of God's Name & **[Ex 34:5-9]**.

Our sin is not so bad that God holds a grudge against us.

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YHWH is more *patient* than ANY human has been.

Note the distance He puts between us & our guilt.

Why? He is a perfect *Father*, the model for The Prodigal.

He knows we are but *dust*. We aren't perfect.

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The frailty of man is contrasted with God's longevity.

He is *faithful to generations* that revere & obey Him.

Magnifying God's grace should NEVER cause more sin.

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Psalms of Forgiveness: One writer counted 37!
Mark them, read them, remember HOW God's name.
He is forgiveness. He declares us forgiven.

"If we don't know God as He revealed himself, we'll never properly understand our place in His world. We must never allow our own hangups & insecurities to blur God's self-description of His love for us, ...it is more vast than the cosmos!" -Tucker & Grant NIVAC p 490

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Where He daringly *forgave & healed* the paralytic.