



Psalms 68

11/24/19 PM

A BATTLE HYMN OF VICTORY

Introduction:

Superscription: "For the choir director. A Psalm of David. A Song."

I. ISRAEL'S BRILLIANT PAST (68:1-18)

A. Rejoicing in God's Purposes (vs. 1-6)

1. God Is Mustering His Army (vs. 1-2)

"let God arise, let His enemies be scattered"

"as smoke...as wax"

2. God Is Marching Before His Army (vs. 3-6)

"lift up a song for Him who rides through the deserts"

"a father of the fatherless and a judge for the widows"

"God makes a home for the lonely"

"He leads out the prisoners into prosperity"

B. Recollecting God's Providence (vs. 7-18)

1. God Dwells With His People (vs. 7-10)

"You went forth before Your people, when You marched through the wilderness"

"You confirmed Your inheritance when it was parched"

2. God Defends His People (vs. 11-14)

"the Lord gives the command...kings of armies flee"

3. God Dwells On His Holy Peak (vs. 15-18)

"the mountain which God has desired for His abode"

"that the LORD God may dwell there"

II. ISRAEL'S BLESSED PROSPECT (68:19-35)

A. Realizing God's Power (vs. 19-27)

1. Praising His Protection (vs. 19-23)

"blessed be the Lord, who daily bears our burden"

"God is to us a God of deliverances"

2. Participating In His Procession (vs. 24-27)

"the procession of my God, my King, into the sanctuary"

"bless God in the congregations"

B. Recognizing God's Provision (vs. 28-31)

"show Yourself strong, O God, who have acted on our behalf"

C. Reaffirming God's Praise (vs. 32-35)

"sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth"

"You are awesome from Your sanctuary"

"the God of Israel Himself gives strength and power to the people"

"Blessed be God!"

Conclusion:

1) God's people must be careful to remember the past.

2) God's people must joyfully anticipate the future.