

# Counting of the עֶזְרָא, Omer, 2024

## Day 45

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### **Psalms 112: 1 – 10**

In yesterday's Psalm the Psalmist was talking about himself, and the fact that he praises and worships Yahweh everyday, and I asked you to try and put yourself in his shoes and feel what he felt when he penned these beautiful words, the zeal with which he speaks about our heavenly Father. Today you are in the driver's seat, for the Psalmist is speaking directly to you, the **righteous person**. As we study this beautiful Psalm you will see that all the qualities that make up a **righteous person** are described for you, so that you will know how to become **righteous** in the eyes of Yahweh and or recognize someone that is **righteous** according to the Word of Yahweh. As we go through the Psalm, please compare it to your life, and see **IF** you measure up. As for me, I find that there are many areas in my life that need improving before I can even consider thinking, that I might be **righteous**, but the beautiful thing about the Word of Yahweh, **IS** that **IT DOES NOT** condemn you, it simply convicts you to try your best to improve from the position that you are in, so that one day, you won't have to call yourself **righteous**, for Yahweh Himself will say to you, **well done good and faithful servant**. Those words echo down to my very soul and **IT IS MY HEARTFELT DESIRE**, to one day hear my heavenly Father say those marvelous words to me. But before we dig deeper into the wonderful Psalm, please take the time to meditate on it and after you have, then let's return and study it together. Amen.

### **Psalms 91: 1-16**

*He that dwells in the secret place of the most High, shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. 2 I will say of Yahweh, He is my refuge and my fortress: my Elohim; in Him will I trust. 3 Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. 4 He shall cover you with His feathers, and under His wings shall you trust: His **TRUTH** (His Torah) shall be your shield and buckler. 5 You shall not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flies by day; 6 Nor for the pestilence that walks in darkness; nor for the destruction that waste at noonday. 7 A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh you. 8 Only with your eyes shall you behold and see the reward of the wicked. 9 Because you have made Yahweh, who is my refuge, even the most High, **your habitation**; 10 There shall **no evil befall you, neither shall any plague come near your dwelling**. 11 For He shall give His angels, charge over you, to keep you in all your ways. 12 They shall bear you up in their hands, lest you dash your foot against a stone. 13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shall you trample under feet. 14 **Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he has known My Name**. 15 He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; **I will deliver him, and honour him**. 16 With long life will I satisfy him, and show him my salvation.*

This is a very fitting Psalm to close out the last week of the counting of the Omer, for the Psalmist says, He that dwells in the secret place of the most High, **SHALL** abide under the shadow of the Almighty. Please understand that the only way that anyone can dwell or abide under the shadow of the almighty, **IS IF** they have first chosen to surrender their hearts, minds, souls and strength to our heavenly Father, repented of their transgressions of the Words of His Torah of Life, **AND**, made a

commitment to allow the Holy Spirit to cause them to believe follow and obey the Words of our heavenly Father's Torah of Life. Then and only then can a person say, that Yahweh is my **refuge and my fortress**, MY Elohim, in Him will I **TRUST**. The **TRUST** that is put in someone, means that you believe everything that that person tells you, it means that you have no doubts as to the validity of His Words, and the fact that you are taking the time to obey the Most High's Commandment, to count the omer, tells me that you are already dwelling in **the secret place of the Most High**, which means that you can expect and count on Him, to be your **refuge and your fortress**, your Elohim, for now and for eternity.

### ***Psalms 112: 1 – 10***

*Praise you Yahweh. Blessed is the man that fears YHVH, that delights greatly in His Commandments. 2 His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed. 3 Wealth and riches shall be in his house: and his righteousness endures for ever. 4 Unto the upright there arises light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous. 5 A good man shows favour, and lends: he will guide his affairs with discretion. 6 Surely he shall not be moved for ever: the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. 7 He shall NOT be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in Yahweh. 8 His heart is established, he shall NOT be afraid, until he sees his desire upon his enemies. 9 He has dispersed, he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour. 10 The wicked shall see it, and be grieved; he shall gnash with his teeth, and melt away: the desire of the wicked shall perish.*

In the Hebrew Scriptures, this Psalm starts with the words הַלְלֵהוּ יְהוָה, Hallelu Yah. Hallelu means *we praise*, and *Yah IS* the short form of the Name Yahweh. This, my friends, **IS** a Command from the Psalmist, **IT IS NOT A SUGGESTION**. I believe that the Psalmist has experienced the Grace of Yahweh on a first hand basis, and now, he is conveying to the rest of us, that we **MUST**, we absolutely **MUST** see Yahweh as the Psalmist does, and praise and worship Him in the same manner. To the Psalmist **IT IS** a matter of utmost importance, for, **IT IS** A matter of life and death. That is what he is pointing out to us in the rest of the Psalm.

Look at what the Psalmist says, *Blessed is the man that Fears Yahweh, that delights greatly in His Commandments (His Torah)*. If that **IS TRUE**, then what happens to the man that **DOES NOT** fear Yahweh and **DOES NOT** greatly delight in His Commandments, (His Torah)? Although it is not actually said in these *verses*, it is however, definitely implied that that person **WILL** be cursed and **WILL** perish.

However look at what happens when a person does willingly comply with the Command to **Fear** Yahweh and **delight greatly** in His Word, His Commandments, His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, the Words of His Torah of Life, but before you do, please remember that the **FEAR** of Yahweh **IS the beginning of wisdom**.

1 - His seed shall be **mighty** upon earth  
2 - The upright shall be **blessed**  
3 - **Wealth and riches** shall be in his house  
4 - His **righteousness endures for ever**  
5 - For Him there is **light in the darkness**  
6 - He is **gracious**

7 - He is full of **compassion**,  
8 - He is **righteous**  
9 - He shows **favour**,  
10 - He lends  
11 - He guides his affairs with **discretion**  
12 - He shall **NOT** be moved for ever

13 – His **righteousness** shall be in  
everlasting remembrance.  
14 – He shall **NOT be afraid of evil tidings**  
15 – His heart is fixed, **trusting in Yahweh**

16 – His heart is **established**  
17 – He shall **NOT be afraid**  
18 – He **gives to the poor**  
19 – His horn shall **be exalted with honour**

Not only is the man that **greatly delights** in the Commandments of Yahweh, blessed, **BUT** his descendants are blessed also. How would you like to leave that kind of legacy for your children, grandchildren and great grandchildren? Throughout all the Psalms, the Psalmists are showing us their heart, their passion and their zeal for the Word of Yahweh, and here, the Psalmist shows us how to convert that zeal into a practical way of living, a template **IF YOU WILL** on **HOW** to live and be blessed. Submit to Yahweh, resist evil, resist the devil, and the devil will flee from you. The devil represents darkness, and when the darkness flees from you, you are left with *Light* and that *Light* my friends, comes from One source, and One source only, it comes from Yahweh.

*Revelation 21:10 And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me that great city, the **Holy Jerusalem**, descending out of heaven from Yahweh,*

*Revelation 21:23 And the city had no need of the **SUN**, neither of the **MOON**, to shine in it: **for the glory of YAHWEH DID lighten it, and the Lamb IS the Light thereof.***

To be in the Light, is to be present with Yahweh, and the Psalmist has outlined for us what we need to do, to rest and abide in that Light forever. The answer **IS** simple and uncomplicated and as Messiah told us in *Matthew 11:28-30* it is quite possible to achieve, *Come unto Me, all you that labour and are heavy laden, and I Messiah, the Words of the Living Torah made flesh, will give you rest. 29 Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and you shall find rest unto your souls. 30 For My yoke (the Words of the Torah) IS easy, and My burden (obedience) IS light.*

The enemy will try as hard as he possibly can, to complicate your life and entice you to do things that are against the Word of Yahweh, and **THEN**, once you have done it, the enemy condemns you for doing it. Messiah, the Words of the Living Torah made flesh, came to earth to show us, that obeying the Words of our heavenly Father's Torah of Life, need not be complicated, but, one must have a determined heart to obey and persevere to the end.

We are indeed on the right path to **righteousness** because of our obedient hearts to **KEEP** the Commandment of counting the Omer, therefore all we have to do, is learn to expand that obedience to every other aspect of our lives, and the Scriptures make it very clear why we should do that, it is so that, we can learn to do **ALL** things through Yeshua, the Living Torah made flesh, who strengthens us. Amen.

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*Have a great Elohim blessed week and may Yahweh bless your every thought,  
and your every deed. Until we meet again. Shalom Alechem!*