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Psalm
3

(1) Lord, how are they increased that trouble me! many are they
that rise up against me. (2) Many there be which say of my soul,
There is no help for him in God. Selah. (3) But thou, O LORD, art
a shield for me; my glory, and the lifter up of mine head. (4) I
cried unto the LORD with my voice, and he heard me out of his
holy hill. Selah. (5) I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the
LORD sustained me. (6) I will not be afraid of ten thousands of
people, that have set themselves against me round about. (7)
Arise, O LORD; save me, O my God: for thou hast smitten all mine
enemies upon the cheek bone; thou hast broken the teeth of the
ungodly. (8) Salvation belongeth unto the LORD: thy blessing is
upon thy people. Selah.

Torah
Gen 3:24-4:26

(24) So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the
garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned
every way, to keep the way of the tree of life. (1) And Adam knew
Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have
gotten a man from the LORD. (2) And she again bare his brother
Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the
ground. (3) And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain
brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD. (4)
And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the
fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his
offering: (5) But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect.
And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell. (6) And the
LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy
countenance fallen? (7) If thou doest well, shalt thou not be
accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And
unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him. (8) And
Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they
were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and
slew him. (9) And the LORD said unto Cain, Where is Abel thy

brother? And he said, I know not: Am I my brother's keeper? (10)
And he said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's
blood crieth unto me from the ground. (11) And now art thou
cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive
thy brother's blood from thy hand; (12) When thou tillest the
ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a
fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth. (13) And Cain
said unto the LORD, My punishment is greater than I can bear.
(14) Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the
earth; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive
and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, that every
one that findeth me shall slay me. (15) And the LORD said unto
him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken
on him sevenfold. And the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any
finding him should kill him. (16) And Cain went out from the
presence of the LORD, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the east
of Eden. (17) And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and
bare Enoch: and he builded a city, and called the name of the city,
after the name of his son, Enoch. (18) And unto Enoch was born
Irad: and Irad begat Mehujael: and Mehujael begat Methusael:
and Methusael begat Lamech. (19) And Lamech took unto him two
wives: the name of the one was Adah, and the name of the other
Zillah. (20) And Adah bare Jabal: he was the father of such as
dwell in tents, and of such as have cattle. (21) And his brother's
name was Jubal: he was the father of all such as handle the harp
and organ. (22) And Zillah, she also bare Tubalcain, an instructer
of every artificer in brass and iron: and the sister of Tubalcain was
Naamah. (23) And Lamech said unto his wives, Adah and Zillah,
Hear my voice; ye wives of Lamech, hearken unto my speech: for
I have slain a man to my wounding, and a young man to my hurt.
(24) If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, truly Lamech seventy and
sevenfold. (25) And Adam knew his wife again; and she bare a
son, and called his name Seth: For God, said she, hath appointed
me another seed instead of Abel, whom Cain slew. (26) And to
Seth, to him also there was born a son; and he called his name
Enos: then began men to call upon the name of the LORD.

Haftorah
Isa 42:7-8

(7) To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the
prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house. (8) I
am the LORD: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to
another, neither my praise to graven images.

Brit
Joh 2:23-23

(23) Now when he was in Jerusalem at the passover, in the feast
day, many believed in his name, when they saw the miracles
which he did.

Brit
Luk 1:24-24

(24) And after those days his wife Elisabeth conceived, and hid
herself five months, saying,

Brit
Luk 2:39-41

(39) And when they had performed all things according to the law
of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth.
(40) And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with
wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him. (41) Now his
parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover.

Gospel
Mat 2:1-12

(1) Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days
of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to
Jerusalem, (2) Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews?
for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship
him. (3) When Herod the king had heard these things, he was
troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. (4) And when he had
gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together,
he demanded of them where Christ should be born. (5) And they
said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by
the prophet, (6) And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not
the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a
Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. (7) Then Herod, when
he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently
what time the star appeared. (8) And he sent them to Bethlehem,
and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when
ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and
worship him also. (9) When they had heard the king, they
departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went
before them, till it came and stood over where the young child
was. (10) When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding
great joy. (11) And when they were come into the house, they
saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and
worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they
presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense and myrrh. (12)
And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return
to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

History
Jos 7:1-8:35

(1) But the children of Israel committed a trespass in the accursed
thing: for Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of
Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, took of the accursed thing: and the
anger of the LORD was kindled against the children of Israel. (2)
And Joshua sent men from Jericho to Ai, which is beside
Bethaven, on the east of Bethel, and spake unto them, saying, Go
up and view the country. And the men went up and viewed Ai. (3)
And they returned to Joshua, and said unto him, Let not all the
people go up; but let about two or three thousand men go up and
smite Ai; and make not all the people to labor thither; for they are
but few. (4) So there went up thither of the people about three
thousand men: and they fled before the men of Ai. (5) And the
men of Ai smote of them about thirty and six men: for they
chased them from before the gate even unto Shebarim, and
smote them in the going down: wherefore the hearts of the
people melted, and became as water. (6) And Joshua rent his
clothes, and fell to the earth upon his face before the ark of the
LORD until the eventide, he and the elders of Israel, and put dust
upon their heads. (7) And Joshua said, Alas, O LORD God,
wherefore hast thou at all brought this people over Jordan, to
deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us? would to
God we had been content, and dwelt on the other side Jordan! (8)
O LORD, what shall I say, when Israel turneth their backs before
their enemies! (9) For the Canaanites and all the inhabitants of
the land shall hear of it, and shall environ us round, and cut off
our name from the earth: and what wilt thou do unto thy great
name? (10) And the LORD said unto Joshua, Get thee up;
wherefore liest thou thus upon thy face? (11) Israel hath sinned,
and they have also transgressed my covenant which I commanded
them: for they have even taken of the accursed thing, and have
also stolen, and dissembled also, and they have put it even among
their own stuff. (12) Therefore the children of Israel could not
stand before their enemies, but turned their backs before their
enemies, because they were accursed: neither will I be with you
any more, except ye destroy the accursed from among you. (13)
Up, sanctify the people, and say, Sanctify yourselves against to
morrow: for thus saith the LORD God of Israel, There is an
accursed thing in the midst of thee, O Israel: thou canst not stand
before thine enemies, until ye take away the accursed thing from
among you. (14) In the morning therefore ye shall be brought

according to your tribes: and it shall be, that the tribe which the
LORD taketh shall come according to the families thereof; and the
family which the LORD shall take shall come by households; and
the household which the LORD shall take shall come man by man.
(15) And it shall be, that he that is taken with the accursed thing
shall be burnt with fire, he and all that he hath: because he hath
transgressed the covenant of the LORD, and because he hath
wrought folly in Israel. (16) So Joshua rose up early in the
morning, and brought Israel by their tribes; and the tribe of Judah
was taken: (17) And he brought the family of Judah; and he took
the family of the Zarhites: and he brought the family of the
Zarhites man by man; and Zabdi was taken: (18) And he brought
his household man by man; and Achan, the son of Carmi, the son
of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, was taken. (19)
And Joshua said unto Achan, My son, give, I pray thee, glory to
the LORD God of Israel, and make confession unto him; and tell
me now what thou hast done; hide it not from me. (20) And
Achan answered Joshua, and said, Indeed I have sinned against
the LORD God of Israel, and thus and thus have I done: (21)
When I saw among the spoils a goodly Babylonish garment, and
two hundred shekels of silver, and a wedge of gold of fifty shekels
weight, then I coveted them, and took them; and, behold, they
are hid in the earth in the midst of my tent, and the silver under
it. (22) So Joshua sent messengers, and they ran unto the tent;
and, behold, it was hid in his tent, and the silver under it. (23)
And they took them out of the midst of the tent, and brought
them unto Joshua, and unto all the children of Israel, and laid
them out before the LORD. (24) And Joshua, and all Israel with
him, took Achan the son of Zerah, and the silver, and the
garment, and the wedge of gold, and his sons, and his daughters,
and his oxen, and his asses, and his sheep, and his tent, and all
that he had: and they brought them unto the valley of Achor. (25)
And Joshua said, Why hast thou troubled us? the LORD shall
trouble thee this day. And all Israel stoned him with stones, and
burned them with fire, after they had stoned them with stones.
(26) And they raised over him a great heap of stones unto this
day. So the LORD turned from the fierceness of his anger.
Wherefore the name of that place was called, The valley of Achor,
unto this day. (1) And the LORD said unto Joshua, Fear not,
neither be thou dismayed: take all the people of war with thee,
and arise, go up to Ai: see, I have given into thy hand the king of

Ai, and his people, and his city, and his land: (2) And thou shalt
do to Ai and her king as thou didst unto Jericho and her king: only
the spoil thereof, and the cattle thereof, shall ye take for a prey
unto yourselves: lay thee an ambush for the city behind it. (3) So
Joshua arose, and all the people of war, to go up against Ai: and
Joshua chose out thirty thousand mighty men of valor, and sent
them away by night. (4) And he commanded them, saying,
Behold, ye shall lie in wait against the city, even behind the city:
go not very far from the city, but be ye all ready: (5) And I, and all
the people that are with me, will approach unto the city: and it
shall come to pass, when they come out against us, as at the first,
that we will flee before them, (6) (For they will come out after us)
till we have drawn them from the city; for they will say, They flee
before us, as at the first: therefore we will flee before them. (7)
Then ye shall rise up from the ambush, and seize upon the city:
for the LORD your God will deliver it into your hand. (8) And it
shall be, when ye have taken the city, that ye shall set the city on
fire: according to the commandment of the LORD shall ye do. See,
I have commanded you. (9) Joshua therefore sent them forth:
and they went to lie in ambush, and abode between Bethel and Ai,
on the west side of Ai: but Joshua lodged that night among the
people. (10) And Joshua rose up early in the morning, and
numbered the people, and went up, he and the elders of Israel,
before the people to Ai. (11) And all the people, even the people
of war that were with him, went up, and drew nigh, and came
before the city, and pitched on the north side of Ai: now there was
a valley between them and Ai. (12) And he took about five
thousand men, and set them to lie in ambush between Bethel and
Ai, on the west side of the city. (13) And when they had set the
people, even all the host that was on the north of the city, and
their liers in wait on the west of the city, Joshua went that night
into the midst of the valley. (14) And it came to pass, when the
king of Ai saw it, that they hasted and rose up early, and the men
of the city went out against Israel to battle, he and all his people,
at a time appointed, before the plain; but he wist not that there
were liers in ambush against him behind the city. (15) And Joshua
and all Israel made as if they were beaten before them, and fled
by the way of the wilderness. (16) And all the people that were in
Ai were called together to pursue after them: and they pursued
after Joshua, and were drawn away from the city. (17) And there
was not a man left in Ai or Bethel, that went not out after Israel:

and they left the city open, and pursued after Israel. (18) And the
LORD said unto Joshua, Stretch out the spear that is in thy hand
toward Ai; for I will give it into thine hand. And Joshua stretched
out the spear that he had in his hand toward the city. (19) And
the ambush arose quickly out of their place, and they ran as soon
as he had stretched out his hand: and they entered into the city,
and took it, and hasted and set the city on fire. (20) And when the
men of Ai looked behind them, they saw, and, behold, the smoke
of the city ascended up to heaven, and they had no power to flee
this way or that way: and the people that fled to the wilderness
turned back upon the pursuers. (21) And when Joshua and all
Israel saw that the ambush had taken the city, and that the
smoke of the city ascended, then they turned again, and slew the
men of Ai. (22) And the other issued out of the city against them;
so they were in the midst of Israel, some on this side, and some
on that side: and they smote them, so that they let none of them
remain or escape. (23) And the king of Ai they took alive, and
brought him to Joshua. (24) And it came to pass, when Israel had
made an end of slaying all the inhabitants of Ai in the field, in the
wilderness wherein they chased them, and when they were all
fallen on the edge of the sword, until they were consumed, that all
the Israelites returned unto Ai, and smote it with the edge of the
sword. (25) And so it was, that all that fell that day, both of men
and women, were twelve thousand, even all the men of Ai. (26)
For Joshua drew not his hand back, wherewith he stretched out
the spear, until he had utterly destroyed all the inhabitants of Ai.
(27) Only the cattle and the spoil of that city Israel took for a prey
unto themselves, according unto the word of the LORD which he
commanded Joshua. (28) And Joshua burnt Ai, and made it an
heap for ever, even a desolation unto this day. (29) And the king
of Ai he hanged on a tree until eventide: and as soon as the sun
was down, Joshua commanded that they should take his carcass
down from the tree, and cast it at the entering of the gate of the
city, and raise thereon a great heap of stones, that remaineth
unto this day. (30) Then Joshua built an altar unto the LORD God
of Israel in mount Ebal, (31) As Moses the servant of the LORD
commanded the children of Israel, as it is written in the book of
the law of Moses, an altar of whole stones, over which no man
hath lift up any iron: and they offered thereon burnt offerings
unto the LORD, and sacrificed peace offerings. (32) And he wrote
there upon the stones a copy of the law of Moses, which he wrote

in the presence of the children of Israel. (33) And all Israel, and
their elders, and officers, and their judges, stood on this side the
ark and on that side before the priests the Levites, which bare the
ark of the covenant of the LORD, as well the stranger, as he that
was born among them; half of them over against mount Gerizim,
and half of them over against mount Ebal; as Moses the servant
of the LORD had commanded before, that they should bless the
people of Israel. (34) And afterward he read all the words of the
law, the blessings and cursings, according to all that is written in
the book of the law. (35) There was not a word of all that Moses
commanded, which Joshua read not before all the congregation of
Israel, with the women, and the little ones, and the strangers that
were conversant among them.