

COVID-19 Virus Series

Lesson #03

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Psalm 61
God is Our Refuge

Psa. 61:1, “Hear my cry, O God; Attend to my prayer.” ~NKJV

Psa. 61:1, “Hear my cry, O God; Give heed to my prayer.” ~NASB

Psa. 61:1, “O God, hear my cry for help! Pay attention to my prayer!” ~NET

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שמע *shema*

**qal imper masc
sing “to hear,”
to plead with
someone to
listen, “listen to
me!”**

Psa. 64:1, “Hear my voice, O God, in my meditation;”

שמע *shema*

**qal imper masc sing
“to hear and accept a
request” “to comply
with or accept
prayers”**

**“to hear,” to plead with
someone to listen,
“listen to me!”**

Psa. 17:1, “Hear a just cause, O LORD, Attend to my cry; Give ear to my prayer which is not from deceitful lips.”

Psa. 39:12, “Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry;”

Psa. 119:149, “Hear my voice according to Your lovingkindness; O LORD, revive me according to Your justice.”

Psa. 130:2, “Lord, hear my voice! Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications.”

Psa. 61:1, “Listen to my cry God, and respond quickly! Attend to my prayer.”

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רִנָּה־1 *rinnah* comm fem

**sing constr “shout of joy,
a ringing cry.”**

**Though used in most
passages as a shout of
joy, it is used in some
passages for the cry or
wail of someone in trouble
or grieving.**

Lam. 2:19, “Arise, cry out in the night, at the beginning of the watches; Pour out your heart like water before the face of the Lord. Lift your hands toward Him for the life of your young children, who faint from hunger at the head of every street.”

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**imperf 1 com sing
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**עָטַף ('āṭap) III,
be feeble,
faint, grow
weak**

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**Psa. 23:3, “He restores my soul; He leads
me in the paths of righteousness for His
name’s sake.”**

**Psa. 31:3, “For You are my Rock and my
Fortress; Therefore, for Your name’s sake,
lead me and guide me.”**

Psa. 43:3, “Oh, send out Your light and Your truth! Let them lead me; Let them bring me to Your holy hill and to Your tabernacle.”

Psa. 73:24, “You will guide me with Your counsel, and afterward receive me to glory.”

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Ex. 17:6, “ ‘Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock in Horeb; and you shall strike the rock, and water will come out of it, that the people may drink.’ And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel.”

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1 Cor. 10:4, “and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ.”

**Psa. 78:35, “Then they remembered that
God was their Rock, and the Most High
God their Redeemer.”**

Psa. 27:5, “For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion; In the secret place of His tabernacle He shall hide me; He shall set me high upon a rock.”

Psa. 18:31, “For who is God, except the LORD? And who is a Rock, except our God?”

Deut. 32:15, “But Jeshurun grew fat and kicked; You grew fat, you grew thick, you are obese! Then he forsook God who made him, and scornfully esteemed the Rock of his salvation.”

Deut. 32:18, “Of the Rock who begot you, you are unmindful, and have forgotten the God who fathered you.”

Deut. 32:30, “How could one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight, unless their Rock had sold them, and the LORD had surrendered them?”

Deut. 32:31, “For their rock is not like our Rock, even our enemies themselves being judges.”

**Psa. 28:1, “To You I will cry, O LORD my
Rock: Do not be silent to me, lest, if You
are silent to me, I become like those who
go down to the pit.”**

Psa. 62:2, “He only is my rock and my salvation; He is my defense; I shall not be greatly moved.”

Psa. 62:6, “He only is my rock and my salvation; He is my defense; I shall not be moved.

Psa. 62:7, “In God is my salvation and my glory; The rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God.”

**2. David declares that God has been his refuge in the past and avows his trust in God to be his refuge in the present.
Psa. 61:3–4**

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**הֲסִי (ḥāsâ) to seek refuge,
flee for protection, put trust
in God,
n. refuge, shelter, secret
place**

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Psa. 62:8, “Trust in Him at all times, you people; Pour out your heart before Him; God is a refuge for us. Selah”

Psa. 36:7, “How precious is Your lovingkindness, O God! Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Your wings.”

**Psa. 46:1, “God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.”**

**Psa. 91:9, “Because you have made the
LORD, who is my refuge, even the Most
High, your dwelling place,”**

**Psa. 71:7, “I have become as a wonder to
many, but You are my strong refuge.”**

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Psa. 61:4, “I will be a permanent guest in your home.” ~NET, *awful translation*

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**גָּוַר (*gûr*) I, abide,
remain, dwell,
inhabit**

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גִּוַר (*gûr*) I, abide, remain, dwell, inhabit

הִסָּא (*ḥāsâ*) seek refuge, flee for protection and thus figuratively put trust in (God)

Psa. 64:2, “Hide me from the secret plots of the wicked, from the rebellion of the workers of iniquity,”

סתר *satar*

**hif imperf 2 masc
sing**

**“to hide, conceal”
the noun describes
a hiding place or
shelter**

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**סֵתֶר (sēter)
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**יְרֻשָׁה (y^erūshshâ) comm fem sing constr
possession, inheritance**

**Psa. 61:6, “You will prolong the king’s life,
his years as many generations.”**

**4. David asserts that he will praise God
and fulfill His vows. Psa. 61:7–8**

Psa. 61:7, “He shall abide before God forever. Oh, prepare mercy and truth, which may preserve him!”

**יָשָׁב *yashav* qal imperf 3
masc sing jussiveM
to sit, dwell**

Psa. 61:8, “So I will sing praise to Your name forever, that I may daily perform my VOWS.”

Psa. 23:6, “Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.”