

O God: Prayers of the Heart

I have called upon You, for You will hear me, [O God](#); Incline Your ear to me, and hear my speech. Psalms 17:6

Most often we find “O God”, “O LORD God”, and “O my God” in the Psalms. These are used in an intimate sense by those who know their God. They can be used as expressions of praise or explanations of who He is. In Immanuel sessions, we most often translate them into a childlike, “Jesus, I need help!”

Studies included in this article are: O God; O LORD God; O My God.

O God

Genesis 32:9 Then Jacob said, "[O God](#) of my father Abraham and God of my father Isaac, the LORD who said to me, ‘Return to your country and to your family, and I will deal well with you’

Numbers 12:13 So Moses cried out to the LORD, saying, "Please heal her, [O God](#), I pray!"

Numbers 16:22 Then they fell on their faces, and said, "[O God](#), the God of the spirits of all flesh, shall one man sin, and You be angry with all the congregation?"

Judges 16:28 Then Samson called to the LORD, saying, "O Lord GOD, remember me, I pray! Strengthen me, I pray, just this once, [O God](#), that I may with one *blow* take vengeance on the Philistines for my two eyes!"

1 Kings 8:26 "And now I pray, [O God](#) of Israel, let Your word come true, which You have spoken to Your servant David my father.

1 Chronicles 16:35 And say, "Save us, [O God](#) of our salvation; Gather us together, and deliver us from the Gentiles, To give thanks to Your holy name, To triumph in Your praise."

1 Chronicles 17:17 And *yet* this was a small thing in Your sight, [O God](#); and You have *also* spoken of Your servant's house for a great while to come, and have regarded me according to the rank of a man of high degree, O LORD God.

Nehemiah 6:9 For they all *were trying to* make us afraid, saying, "Their hands will be weakened in the work, and it will not be done." Now therefore, [O God](#), strengthen my hands.

Psalms 4:1 To the Chief Musician. With stringed instruments. A Psalm of David. Hear me when I call, [O God](#) of my righteousness! You have relieved me in *my* distress; Have mercy on me, and hear my prayer.

Psalms 5:10 Pronounce them guilty, [O God](#)! Let them fall by their own counsels; Cast them out in the multitude of their transgressions, For they have rebelled against You.

Psalms 10:12 Arise, O LORD! [O God](#), lift up Your hand! Do not forget the humble.

Psalms 16:1 A Michtam of David. Preserve me, [O God](#), for in You I put my trust.

Psalms 17:6 I have called upon You, for You will hear me, [O God](#); Incline Your ear to me, *and* hear my speech.

Psalms 25:22 Redeem Israel, [O God](#), Out of all their troubles!

Psalms 27:9 Do not hide Your face from me; Do not turn Your servant away in anger; You have been my help; Do not leave me nor forsake me, [O God](#) of my salvation.

Psalms 36:7 How precious *is* Your lovingkindness, [O God](#)! Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Your wings.

Psalms 42:1 To the Chief Musician. A Contemplation of the sons of Korah. As the deer pants for the water brooks, So pants my soul for You, [O God](#).

Psalms 43:1 Vindicate me, [O God](#), And plead my cause against an ungodly nation; Oh, deliver me from the deceitful and unjust man!

Psalms 43:4 Then I will go to the altar of God, To God my exceeding joy; And on the harp I will praise You, [O God](#), my God.

Psalms 44:1 To the Chief Musician. A Contemplation of the sons of Korah. We have heard with our ears, [O God](#), Our fathers have told us, The deeds You did in their days, In days of old:

Psalms 44:4 You are my King, [O God](#); Command victories for Jacob.

Psalms 45:6 Your throne, [O God](#), *is* forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness *is* the scepter of Your kingdom.

Psalms 48:9 We have thought, [O God](#), on Your lovingkindness, In the midst of Your temple.

Psalms 48:10 According to Your name, [O God](#), So *is* Your praise to the ends of the earth; Your right hand is full of righteousness.

Psalms 51:1 To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David when Nathan the prophet went to him, after he had gone in to Bathsheba. Have mercy upon me, [O God](#), According to Your lovingkindness; According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, Blot out my transgressions.

Psalms 51:10 Create in me a clean heart, [O God](#), And renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Psalms 51:14 Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, [O God](#), The God of my salvation, *And* my tongue shall sing aloud of Your righteousness.

Psalms 51:17 The sacrifices of God *are* a broken spirit, A broken and a contrite heart—These, [O God](#), You will not despise.

Psalms 54:1 To the Chief Musician. With stringed instruments. A Contemplation of David when the Ziphites went and said to Saul, "Is David not hiding with us?" Save me, [O God](#), by Your name, And vindicate me by Your strength.

Psalms 54:2 Hear my prayer, [O God](#); Give ear to the words of my mouth.

Psalms 55:1 To the Chief Musician. With stringed instruments. A Contemplation of David. Give ear to my prayer, [O God](#), And do not hide Yourself from my supplication.

Psalms 55:23 But You, [O God](#), shall bring them down to the pit of destruction; Bloodthirsty and deceitful men shall not live out half their days; But I will trust in You.

Psalms 56:1 To the Chief Musician. Set to "The Silent Dove in Distant Lands." A Michtam of David when the Philistines captured him in Gath. Be merciful to me, [O God](#), for man would swallow me up; Fighting all day he oppresses me.

Psalms 56:7 Shall they escape by iniquity? In anger cast down the peoples, [O God](#)!

Psalms 56:12 Vows *made* to You *are binding* upon me, [O God](#); I will render praises to You,

Psalms 57:1 To the Chief Musician. Set to "Do Not Destroy." A Michtam of David when he fled from Saul into the cave. Be merciful to me, [O God](#), be merciful to me! For my soul trusts in You; And in the shadow of Your wings I will make my refuge, Until *these* calamities have passed by.

Psalms 57:5 Be exalted, [O God](#), above the heavens; *Let* Your glory *be* above all the earth.

Psalms 57:7 My heart is steadfast, [O God](#), my heart is steadfast; I will sing and give praise.

Psalms 57:11 Be exalted, [O God](#), above the heavens; *Let* Your glory *be* above all the earth.

Psalms 58:6 Break their teeth in their mouth, [O God](#)! Break out the fangs of the young lions, O LORD!

Psalms 60:1 To the Chief Musician. Set to "Lily of the Testimony." A Michtam of David. For teaching. When he fought against Mesopotamia and Syria of Zobah, and Joab returned and killed twelve thousand Edomites in the Valley of Salt. [O God](#), You have cast us off; You have broken us down; You have been displeased; Oh, restore us again!

Psalms 60:10 *Is it* not You, [O God](#), *who* cast us off? And You, [O God](#), *who* did not go out with our armies?

Psalms 61:1 To the Chief Musician. On a stringed instrument. *A Psalm* of David. Hear my cry, [O God](#); Attend to my prayer.

Psalms 61:5 For You, [O God](#), have heard my vows; You have given *me* the heritage of those who fear Your name.

Psalms 63:1 A Psalm of David when he was in the wilderness of Judah. [O God](#), You *are* my God; Early will I seek You; My soul thirsts for You; My flesh longs for You In a dry and thirsty land Where there is no water.

Psalms 64:1 To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. Hear my voice, [O God](#), in my meditation; Preserve my life from fear of the enemy.

Psalms 65:1 To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. A Song. Praise is awaiting You, [O God](#), in Zion; And to You the vow shall be performed.

Psalms 65:5 *By* awesome deeds in righteousness You will answer us, [O God](#) of our salvation, *You who are* the confidence of all the ends of the earth, And of the far-off seas;

Psalms 66:10 For You, [O God](#), have tested us; You have refined us as silver is refined.

Psalms 67:3 Let the peoples praise You, [O God](#); Let all the peoples praise You.

Psalms 67:5 Let the peoples praise You, [O God](#); Let all the peoples praise You.

Psalms 68:7 [O God](#), when You went out before Your people, When You marched through the wilderness,
Selah

Psalms 68:9 You, [O God](#), sent a plentiful rain, Whereby You confirmed Your inheritance, When it was
weary.

Psalms 68:10 Your congregation dwelt in it; You, [O God](#), provided from Your goodness for the poor.

Psalms 68:24 They have seen Your procession, [O God](#), The procession of my God, my King, into the
sanctuary.

Psalms 68:28 Your God has commanded your strength; Strengthen, [O God](#), what You have done for us.

Psalms 68:35 [O God](#), *You are* more awesome than Your holy places. The God of Israel *is* He who gives
strength and power to *His* people. Blessed *be* God!

Psalms 69:1 To the Chief Musician. Set to "The Lilies." *A Psalm* of David. Save me, [O God](#)! For the waters
have come up to *my* neck.

Psalms 69:5 [O God](#), You know my foolishness; And my sins are not hidden from You.

Psalms 69:6 Let not those who wait for You, O Lord GOD of hosts, be ashamed because of me; Let not
those who seek You be confounded because of me, [O God](#) of Israel.

Psalms 69:13 But as for me, my prayer *is* to You, O LORD, *in* the acceptable time; [O God](#), in the multitude
of Your mercy, Hear me in the truth of Your salvation.

Psalms 69:29 But I *am* poor and sorrowful; Let Your salvation, [O God](#), set me up on high.

Psalms 70:1 To the Chief Musician. *A Psalm* of David. To bring to remembrance. *Make haste*, [O God](#), to
deliver me! Make haste to help me, O LORD!

Psalms 70:5 But I *am* poor and needy; Make haste to me, [O God](#)! You *are* my help and my deliverer; O
LORD, do not delay.

Psalms 71:12 [O God](#), do not be far from me; O my God, make haste to help me!

Psalms 71:17 [O God](#), You have taught me from my youth; And to this *day* I declare Your wondrous works.

Psalms 71:18 Now also when I *am* old and grayheaded, [O God](#), do not forsake me, Until I declare Your
strength to *this* generation, Your power to everyone *who* is to come.

Psalms 71:19 Also Your righteousness, [O God](#), *is* very high, You who have done great things; [O God](#), who *is*
like You?

Psalms 72:1 *A Psalm* of Solomon. Give the king Your judgments, O God, And Your righteousness to the king's Son.

Psalms 74:1 A Contemplation of Asaph. O God, why have You cast *us* off forever? *Why* does Your anger smoke against the sheep of Your pasture?

Psalms 74:10 O God, how long will the adversary reproach? Will the enemy blaspheme Your name forever?

Psalms 74:22 Arise, O God, plead Your own cause; Remember how the foolish man reproaches You daily.

Psalms 75:1 To the Chief Musician. Set to "Do Not Destroy." A Psalm of Asaph. A Song. We give thanks to You, O God, we give thanks! For Your wondrous works declare *that* Your name is near.

Psalms 76:6 At Your rebuke, O God of Jacob, Both the chariot and horse were cast into a dead sleep.

Psalms 77:13 Your way, O God, *is* in the sanctuary; Who *is* so great a God as *our* God?

Psalms 77:16 The waters saw You, O God; The waters saw You, they were afraid; The depths also trembled.

Psalms 79:1 A Psalm of Asaph. O God, the nations have come into Your inheritance; Your holy temple they have defiled; They have laid Jerusalem in heaps.

Psalms 79:9 Help us, O God of our salvation, For the glory of Your name; And deliver us, and provide atonement for our sins, For Your name's sake!

Psalms 80:3 Restore us, O God; Cause Your face to shine, And we shall be saved!

Psalms 80:7 Restore us, O God of hosts; Cause Your face to shine, And we shall be saved!

Psalms 80:14 Return, we beseech You, O God of hosts; Look down from heaven and see, And visit this vine

Psalms 82:8 Arise, O God, judge the earth; For You shall inherit all nations.

Psalms 83:1 A Song. A Psalm of Asaph. Do not keep silent, O God! Do not hold Your peace, And do not be still, O God!

Psalms 84:8 O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; Give ear, O God of Jacob! Selah

Psalms 84:9 O God, behold our shield, And look upon the face of Your anointed.

Psalms 85:4 Restore us, O God of our salvation, And cause Your anger toward us to cease.

Psalms 86:14 O God, the proud have risen against me, And a mob of violent *men* have sought my life, And have not set You before them.

Psalms 94:1 O LORD God, to whom vengeance belongs—O God, to whom vengeance belongs, shine forth!

Psalms 108:1 A Song. A Psalm of David. O God, my heart is steadfast; I will sing and give praise, even with my glory.

Psalms 108:5 Be exalted, O God, above the heavens, And Your glory above all the earth;

Psalms 108:11 *Is it not You, [O God](#), who cast us off? And You, [O God](#), who did not go out with our armies?*

Psalms 109:1 To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. Do not keep silent, [O God](#) of my praise!

Psalms 109:21 But You, [O GOD](#) the Lord, Deal with me for Your name's sake; Because Your mercy *is* good, deliver me.

Psalms 139:17 How precious also are Your thoughts to me, [O God!](#) How great is the sum of them!

Psalms 139:19 Oh, that You would slay the wicked, [O God!](#) Depart from me, therefore, you bloodthirsty men.

Psalms 139:23 Search me, [O God](#), and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties;

Psalms 140:7 [O GOD](#) the Lord, the strength of my salvation, You have covered my head in the day of battle.

Psalms 141:8 But my eyes *are* upon You, [O GOD](#) the Lord; In You I take refuge; Do not leave my soul destitute.

Psalms 144:9 I will sing a new song to You, [O God](#); On a harp of ten strings I will sing praises to You,

Isaiah 45:15 Truly You *are* God, who hide Yourself, [O God](#) of Israel, the Savior!

Daniel 2:23 I thank You and praise You, [O God](#) of my fathers; You have given me wisdom and might, And have now made known to me what we asked of You, For You have made known to us the king's demand.

Hebrews 1:8 But to the Son *He says*: "Your throne, [O God](#), *is* forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness *is* the scepter of Your Kingdom.

Hebrews 10:7 Then I said, 'Behold, I have come—In the volume of the book it is written of Me—To do Your will, [O God](#).'

Hebrews 10:9 Then He said, "Behold, I have come to do Your will, [O God](#)." He takes away the first that He may establish the second.

O LORD God

Genesis 24:12 Then he said, "[O LORD God](#) of my master Abraham, please give me success this day, and show kindness to my master Abraham."

Genesis 24:42 And this day I came to the well and said, '[O LORD God](#) of my master Abraham, if You will now prosper the way in which I go.'

Deuteronomy 3:24 [O Lord GOD](#), You have begun to show Your servant Your greatness and Your mighty hand, for what god *is there* in heaven or on earth who can do *anything* like Your works and Your mighty *deeds*?

Deuteronomy 9:26 Therefore I prayed to the LORD, and said: 'O Lord GOD, do not destroy Your people and Your inheritance whom You have redeemed through Your greatness, whom You have brought out of Egypt with a mighty hand.'

Judges 6:22 Now Gideon perceived that He *was* the Angel of the LORD. So Gideon said, "Alas, O Lord GOD! For I have seen the Angel of the LORD face to face."

Judges 16:28 Then Samson called to the LORD, saying, "O Lord GOD, remember me, I pray! Strengthen me, I pray, just this once, O God, that I may with one *blow* take vengeance on the Philistines for my two eyes!"

Judges 21:3 And said, "O LORD God of Israel, why has this come to pass in Israel, that today there should be one tribe *missing* in Israel?"

1 Samuel 23:10 Then David said, "O LORD God of Israel, Your servant has certainly heard that Saul seeks to come to Keilah to destroy the city for my sake."

1 Samuel 23:11 "Will the men of Keilah deliver me into his hand? Will Saul come down, as Your servant has heard? O LORD God of Israel, I pray, tell Your servant." And the LORD said, "He will come down."

2 Samuel 7:18 Then King David went in and sat before the LORD; and he said: "Who *am* I, O Lord GOD? And what is my house, that You have brought me this far?"

2 Samuel 7:19 And yet this was a small thing in Your sight, O Lord GOD; and You have also spoken of Your servant's house for a great while to come. *Is* this the manner of man, O Lord GOD?

2 Samuel 7:22 Therefore You are great, O LORD GOD. For *there is* none like You, nor *is there any* God besides You, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

2 Samuel 7:25 Now, O LORD God, the word which You have spoken concerning Your servant and concerning his house, establish *it* forever and do as You have said.

2 Samuel 7:28 And now, O Lord GOD, You are God, and Your words are true, and You have promised this goodness to Your servant.

2 Samuel 7:29 Now therefore, let it please You to bless the house of Your servant, that it may continue forever before You; for You, O Lord GOD, have spoken *it*, and with Your blessing let the house of Your servant be blessed forever.

1 Kings 8:53 For You separated them from among all the peoples of the earth *to be* Your inheritance, as You spoke by Your servant Moses, when You brought our fathers out of Egypt, O Lord GOD.

2 Kings 19:15 Then Hezekiah prayed before the LORD, and said: "O LORD God of Israel, *the One* who dwells *between* the cherubim, You are God, You alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth. You have made heaven and earth."

1 Chronicles 17:16 Then King David went in and sat before the LORD; and he said: "Who *am* I, O LORD God? And what is my house, that You have brought me this far?"

1 Chronicles 17:17 And *yet* this was a small thing in Your sight, O God; and You have *also* spoken of Your servant's house for a great while to come, and have regarded me according to the rank of a man of high degree, O LORD God.

1 Chronicles 29:18 O LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, our fathers, keep this forever in the intent of the thoughts of the heart of Your people, and fix their heart toward You.

2 Chronicles 1:9 Now, O LORD God, let Your promise to David my father be established, for You have made me king over a people like the dust of the earth in multitude.

2 Chronicles 6:17 And now, O LORD God of Israel, let Your word come true, which You have spoken to Your servant David.

2 Chronicles 6:41 Now therefore, Arise, O LORD God, to Your resting place, You and the ark of Your strength. Let Your priests, O LORD God, be clothed with salvation, And let Your saints rejoice in goodness.

2 Chronicles 6:42 O LORD God, do not turn away the face of Your Anointed; Remember the mercies of Your servant David.

2 Chronicles 20:6 And said: "O LORD God of our fathers, *are* You not God in heaven, and do You *not* rule over all the kingdoms of the nations, and in Your hand *is there not* power and might, so that no one is able to withstand You?"

Ezra 9:15 O LORD God of Israel, You *are* righteous, for we are left as a remnant, as *it is* this day. Here we *are* before You, in our guilt, though no one can stand before You because of this!

Psalms 31:5 Into Your hand I commit my spirit; You have redeemed me, O LORD God of truth.

Psalms 59:5 You therefore, O LORD God of hosts, the God of Israel, Awake to punish all the nations; Do not be merciful to any wicked transgressors. Selah

Psalms 69:6 Let not those who wait for You, O Lord GOD of hosts, be ashamed because of me; Let not those who seek You be confounded because of me, O God of Israel.

Psalms 71:5 For You are my hope, O Lord GOD; *You are* my trust from my youth.

Psalms 80:4 O LORD God of hosts, How long will You be angry Against the prayer of Your people?

Psalms 80:19 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; Cause Your face to shine, And we shall be saved!

Psalms 84:8 O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; Give ear, O God of Jacob! Selah

Psalms 88:1 A Song. A Psalm of the sons of Korah. To the Chief Musician. Set to "Mahalath Leannoth." A Contemplation of Heman the Ezrahite. O LORD, God of my salvation, I have cried out day and night before You.

Psalms 89:8 O LORD God of hosts, Who *is* mighty like You, O LORD? Your faithfulness also surrounds You.

Psalms 94:1 O LORD God, to whom vengeance belongs—O God, to whom vengeance belongs, shine forth!

Jeremiah 15:16 Your words were found, and I ate them, And Your word was to me the joy and rejoicing of my heart; For I am called by Your name, O LORD God of hosts.

Jeremiah 32:25 And You have said to me, O Lord GOD, "Buy the field for money, and take witnesses"! — yet the city has been given into the hand of the Chaldeans."

Ezekiel 37:3 And He said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" So I answered, "O Lord GOD, You know."

Amos 7:2 And so it was, when they had finished eating the grass of the land, that I said: "O Lord GOD, forgive, I pray! Oh, that Jacob may stand, For he *is* small!"

Amos 7:5 Then I said: "O Lord GOD, cease, I pray! Oh, that Jacob may stand, For he *is* small!"

Revelation 11:17 Saying: "We give You thanks, O Lord God Almighty, The One who is and who was and who is to come, Because You have taken Your great power and reigned."

O My God

1 Chronicles 11:19 And he said, "Far be it from me, O my God, that I should do this! Shall I drink the blood of these men *who have put* their lives *in jeopardy*? For at the risk of their lives they brought it." Therefore he would not drink it. These things were done by the three mighty men."

1 Chronicles 17:25 For You, O my God, have revealed to Your servant that You will build him a house. Therefore Your servant has found it *in his heart* to pray before You.

Ezra 9:6 And I said: "O my God, I am too ashamed and humiliated to lift up my face to You, my God; for our iniquities have risen higher than *our* heads, and our guilt has grown up to the heavens."

Nehemiah 13:14 Remember me, O my God, concerning this, and do not wipe out my good deeds that I have done for the house of my God, and for its services!

Nehemiah 13:22 And I commanded the Levites that they should cleanse themselves, and that they should go and guard the gates, to sanctify the Sabbath day. Remember me, O my God, *concerning* this also, and spare me according to the greatness of Your mercy!

Nehemiah 13:29 Remember them, O my God, because they have defiled the priesthood and the covenant of the priesthood and the Levites.

Nehemiah 13:31 And *to bringing* the wood offering and the firstfruits at appointed times. Remember me, O my God, for good!

Psalms 3:7 Arise, O LORD; Save me, O my God! For You have struck all my enemies on the cheekbone; You have broken the teeth of the ungodly.

Psalms 22:2 O My God, I cry in the daytime, but You do not hear; And in the night season, and am not silent.

Psalms 25:2 O my God, I trust in You; Let me not be ashamed; Let not my enemies triumph over me.

Psalms 38:21 Do not forsake me, O LORD; O my God, be not far from me!

Psalms 40:8 I delight to do Your will, [O my God](#), And Your law *is* within my heart.

Psalms 40:17 But I *am* poor and needy; *Yet* the Lord thinks upon me. You *are* my help and my deliverer; Do not delay, [O my God](#).

Psalms 42:6 [O my God](#), my soul is cast down within me; Therefore I will remember You from the land of the Jordan, And from the heights of Hermon, From the Hill Mizar.

Psalms 59:1 To the Chief Musician. Set to "Do Not Destroy." A Michtam of David when Saul sent men, and they watched the house in order to kill him. Deliver me from my enemies, [O my God](#); Defend me from those who rise up against me.

Psalms 71:4 Deliver me, [O my God](#), out of the hand of the wicked, Out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.

Psalms 71:12 O God, do not be far from me; [O my God](#), make haste to help me!

Psalms 71:22 Also with the lute I will praise you—*And* Your faithfulness, [O my God](#)! To You I will sing with the harp, O Holy One of Israel.

Psalms 83:13 [O my God](#), make them like the whirling dust, Like the chaff before the wind!

Psalms 102:24 I said, "[O my God](#), Do not take me away in the midst of my days; Your years *are* throughout all generations."

Daniel 9:18 [O my God](#), incline Your ear and hear; open Your eyes and see our desolations, and the city which is called by Your name; for we do not present our supplications before You because of our righteous deeds, but because of Your great mercies.

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