

PRAYING PSALM 121

“Behold, He who keeps Israel shall neither slumber or sleep” (Psalm 121:4).

The theme is God’s protection over His people Israel. This assures Israel will be kept until the Lord delivers them from their enemies at His second coming. 1. DIVINE HELP PROCLAIMED (1-2). Where does my help come from? From the Lord. 2. DIVINE HELP PROMISED (3-8). The Lord is their keeper. The Lord will preserve them from the evil that would otherwise destroy them. How long? “From this time forward and even forevermore.”

The only one who can help Israel is God, and He will. His protection is not only proclaimed; it is promised, thus secured by His covenant with Abraham. The Abrahamic covenant was reestablished through Isaac and Jacob, and passed on to their descendants. Their royal inheritance was promised to David. Jesus is the promised King who will preserve it. The existence of the Jews is nothing short of a miracle. There is no human reason for them to still be here. Since approximately 2100 B.C. Israel has fought for her life, including the Babylonian captivity and the Holocaust. The land called Palestine today (which means Philistine) has been under constant harassment and attacks since Israel became a nation on May 14, 1948. They have been exiled and scattered through the centuries, yet they remain a people. Although they have been exiled and absorbed into the nations of the world, the land is still theirs. When you pray for Israel’s survival, you are praying God’s will. When you pray against Israel’s enemies, you are praying God’s will. When you pray for Christ’s return, you are praying for God to restore Israel and make them the leading nation in the world, which they will be in Christ’s Millennial Kingdom. When you pray for Israel, you are praying for God’s chosen people. Keep praying for Israel!