

PRAYING PSALM 82

“God stands in the congregation of the mighty; He judges among the gods” (Psalm 82:1).

This psalm concerns the unjust judges of Israel. God is seen as judging them for their injustice. 1. JUDGMENT OF THE JUDGES (1-7). “Mighty ones” comes from Elohim, plural for gods. God indicted them, because they showed partiality to the wicked (2). They spoke without knowledge (revelation) or understanding (5). They were called children of the most high (6). However, they shall die like men, i.e., they weren’t really gods (7). 2. THE JUDGE OF THE JUDGES (8). God is acknowledged as the universal judge. He will justly judge those who have judged unjustly.

Jesus sarcastically referred to these unjust judges as gods (John 10:34-38), because they used their authority to misrepresent God. One day those who stand in place of God will be judged for misrepresenting His justice, by perverting their God-given authority to rule unjustly. When you pray against injustice, you pray against those who have arrogated to themselves power and authority that only God has. One day these “gods” will stand before the Almighty and answer for their crimes. Keep praying. Your prayers will be answered.