

PRAYING PSALM 86

“Bow down Your ear, O Lord, and hear me; for I am poor and needy” (Psalm 86:1).

This psalm is in three parts: 1. PRAYER FOR GOD’S ATTENTION (1-7). Hear me. Be merciful to me. Rejoice the soul of Your servant. Give ear to my prayer. 2. PRAISE FOR GOD’S UNIQUENESS (8-13). Among the gods there is none like You. All nations shall come and worship before You. You are great. You do wondrous things. You alone are God. Great is Your mercy. You have delivered my soul from the abode of the dead. 3. PLEA FOR GOD’S DELIVERANCE (14-17). The proud have risen against me. Turn to me, and have mercy on me. Give Your strength. Show me a sign for good.

This is a prayer for when you believe God isn’t listening. When you think God is not paying attention, just call out for Him to hear you. Once you have beseeched God, consider who He is. Tell Him there is no one like Him . Tell Him you are relying on His greatness. Remind Him that if He can deliver you from hell, He can do anything. Then plead for His mercy and strength. Don’t be afraid to ask God for a sign that He hears you.