

PSALM 116

- v. 1 – I have loved, (1 word – אֶהְבֵּתִי)
because (1 word – כִּי)
Yahweh is hearing my voice, my supplications. (5 words – יִשְׁמַע יְהוָה אֶת - קוֹלִי תַחֲנוּנָי
- v. 2 – Because He has turned His ear to me, (4 words – כִּי - הִטָּה אָזְנוֹ לִי)
so throughout my days I will call. (2 words – וּבְיָמַי אֶקְרָא)
Synonymous Parallelism
- v. 3 – The cords of death encompassed me, (3 words – אֶפְפוּנֵי חַבְלֵי - מוֹת)
and the distresses of Sheol have found me, (3 words – וּמִצָּרֵי שְׁאוֹל מְצָאוּנִי)
distress and trouble I am finding. (3 words – צָרָה וְיָגוֹן אֲמָצֵא)
Synonymous Parallelism
- v. 4 – So on the name of Yahweh I am calling, (3 words – וּבְשֵׁם - יְהוָה אֶקְרָא)
I pray, O Yahweh, (You) deliver my soul. (4 words – אָנָּה יְהוָה מַלְטָה נַפְשִׁי)
- v. 5 – Gracious is Yahweh and righteous, (3 words – חַנּוּן יְהוָה וְצַדִּיק)
and our God is showing compassion. (2 words – וְאֱלֹהֵינוּ מְרַחֵם)
- v. 6 – Yahweh is guarding the simple-minded, (3 words – שׁוֹמֵר פְּתָאִים יְהוָה)
I was brought low and He came to my aid. (3 words – דָּלוּתִי וְלִי יְהוֹשִׁיעַ)
- v. 7 – (You) return, O my soul, to your resting places, (3 words – שׁוּבוּבִי נַפְשִׁי לְמִנוּחַיִכִי)
for Yahweh has brought ripeness upon you. (4 words – כִּי - יְהוָה גָּמַל עָלַיִכִי)
- v. 8 – For You have delivered (2 words – כִּי חִלַּצְתָּ)
my soul from death, (2 words – נַפְשִׁי מִמָּוֹת)
my eyes from tears, (4 words – אֶת - עֵינַי מִן - דְּמָעָה)
my feet from stumbling. (3 words – אֶת - רַגְלֵי מִדְּחִי)
- v. 9 – I am walking before Yahweh, (3 words – אֶתְהַלֵּךְ לִפְנֵי יְהוָה)
in the lands of the living ones. (2 words – בְּאֶרְצוֹת הַחַיִּים)
- v. 10 – I believed, even when I am saying, (3 words – הֶאֱמַנְתִּי כִּי אֲדַבֵּר)
"I, I am bowed down exceedingly." (3 words – אָנֹכִי עָנִיתִי מְאֹד)
- v. 11 – I, I said in my alarm, (3 words – אָנֹכִי אָמַרְתִּי בְּחַפְזִי)
"Every man is a liar." (3 words – כָּל - הָאָדָם כֹּזֵב)
- v. 12 – What shall I pay back to Yahweh, (3 words – מָה - אֲשִׁיב לַיהוָה)
(for) all of His benefits upon me? (3 words – כָּל - תַּגְמוּלוֹתָי עָלַי)

- v. 13 – A cup of salvations I will raise, (3 words – בּוֹס - יְשׁוּעוֹת אֲשָׂא)
and on the name of Yahweh I will call. (3 words – וּבִשְׁם יְהוָה אֶקְרָא)
- v. 14 – My vows to Yahweh I will repay, (3 words – נִדְרֵי לַיהוָה אֲשַׁלֵּם)
in the presence now of all of His people. (4 words – נִגְדָה - נָא לְכָל - עַמּוֹ)
- v. 15 – Precious in the eyes of Yahweh, (3 words – יָקָר בְּעֵינֵי יְהוָה)
(is) the death in regard to His covenant love ones. (2 words – הַמּוֹתָה לְחֶסֶד־יָדָיו)
- v. 16 – Ah now, O Yahweh, (2 words – אָנָּה יְהוָה)
because (1 word – כִּי)
I am Your servant, (2 words – אֲנִי עַבְדְּךָ)
I am Your servant, the son of Your maidservant, (4 words – אֲנִי עַבְדְּךָ בֶן - אִמָּתְךָ)
You have loosed in regard to my bonds. (2 words – פָּתַחְתָּ לְמוֹסְרֵי)
- v. 17 – To You I will sacrifice a sacrifice of thanksgiving, (4 words – לָךְ - אֲזַבַּח זֶבַח תּוֹדָה)
and on the name of Yahweh I will call. (3 words – וּבִשְׁם יְהוָה אֶקְרָא)
- v. 18 – My vows to Yahweh I will repay, (3 words – נִדְרֵי לַיהוָה אֲשַׁלֵּם)
in the presence now of all of His people. (4 words – נִגְדָה - נָא לְכָל - עַמּוֹ)
- v. 19 – In the courts of the house of Yahweh, (3 words – בְּחַצְרוֹת בַּיִת יְהוָה)
in your midst, O Jerusalem. (2 words – בְּתוֹכְכִי יְרוּשָׁלַם)
- (You [p.]) praise Yah / Hallelu Yah, (2 words – הַלְלוּ יְהִ)

Broader Structure:

vv. 1-6 – Calling on Yahweh
vv. 7-14 – Resting in Yahweh
vv. 15-19 – Sacrificing to Yahweh
Hallelujah

vv. 1-9 – I Love
vv. 10-14 – I Will Lift Up
vv. 15-19 – I Will Offer
Hallelujah

vv. 1-4	vv. 1-7
vv. 5-14	vv. 8-14
vv. 15-19	vv. 15-19

Hallelujah

vv. 1-4 – Remembered Anguish
vv. 5-11 – Remembered Mercy
vv. 12-19 – Fervent Gratitude
Hallelujah

vv. 1-2 – He Heard Me
vv. 3-4 – Save Me From Death
vv. 5-6 – God Protects The Unwary
vv. 7-9 – God Saved Me From Death
vv. 10-11 – Trust in God
vv. 12-14 – The Cup of Salvation
vv. 15-16 – Costly is The Death of God's Servants
vv. 17-19 – Vows & Thank Offerings
Hallelujah

A – vv. 1-2 – Thanksgiving
 B – v. 3 – The Need For Deliverance
 C – vv. 4-6a – God The Deliverer
A¹ – vv. 6b-7 – Thanksgiving
 C¹ – vv. 8-11 – God The Deliverer
 B¹ – vv. 12-14 – Vows of Thanksgiving
 C¹¹ – vv. 15-16 – God The Deliverer
A¹¹ – vv. 17-19 – Vows of Thanksgiving
Hallelujah

Yahweh – 15x
Yah – 1x
Elohim – God – 1x
2nd Person (You, Your) referring to Yahweh – 8x
3rd Person (He, His, Him) referring to Yahweh – 7x
Total: 32x

1st Person, Singular (I, me, my) – 38x
1st Person, Plural (we, us, our) – 1x – v. 5
2nd Person, Singular (You, your) – 3x