

## PSALM 120-122

Psalms 120-134 are entitled "A Song of Degrees", or *ascents*. These are considered \_\_\_\_\_ Psalms: It seems most probable they were designed for the use by the people when going \_\_\_\_\_ to Jerusalem on the festival occasions (Exodus 34:24; De 16:16), \_\_\_\_\_ times a year. David appears as the author of four, Solomon of one (Ps 127:1), and the other ten are anonymous.

**PSALM 120** A Song of degrees (ascent, going up).

"The author had been grievously defamed and had been tortured into bitterness by the false charges of his persecutors, and here is his appeal to the great Arbiter of right and wrong, before whose judgment-seat no man shall suffer from slanderous tongues." *Treasury of David*, Charles Spurgeon

- I. The psalmist prays to God in a time of distress **Vs 1-2**
  - A. **Distress**-trouble, \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. Caused by others \_\_\_\_\_ about him **Vs 2**
  - C. **Deliver**-rescue, \_\_\_\_\_ me away
- II. The psalmist describes God's \_\_\_\_\_ on the enemy **Vs 3-4**
  - A. **What shall be done**-what will God do to \_\_\_\_\_ your lying
  - B. The retribution will be painful and \_\_\_\_\_
    - 1. **Sharp arrows of the warrior**-\_\_\_\_\_ and destructive
    - 2. **Coals of the broom tree**-the wood used for fires because it burned for a \_\_\_\_\_ period
- III. The psalmist \_\_\_\_\_ his dwelling place **Vs 5-7**
  - A. Among a people who are war-minded while he is \_\_\_\_\_-minded **Vs 5-6**
  - B. Among a people who misconstrue his statements because they do not \_\_\_\_\_ with him **Vs 7**  
Cf. **Vs**

### 2-3

**PSALM 121** A Song of degrees.

- I. Assurance of \_\_\_\_\_ in travel to Jerusalem **Vs 1**
  - A. Jerusalem sat on a \_\_\_\_\_ and one traveled "up to Jerusalem" **Vs 1a**
  - B. Jerusalem was considered the place where one went to \_\_\_\_\_ with God **Vs 1b**
- II. Assurance of God and his \_\_\_\_\_ **Vs 2-4**
  - A. Firm \_\_\_\_\_ in the Lord because of his power over creation **Vs 2**
  - B. Firm confidence in the Lord being ever \_\_\_\_\_ of the circumstances of his people **Vs 3-4**
- III. Assurance of God's protection from the \_\_\_\_\_ **Vs 5-6**
  - A. Corporate (**Vs 4**), and \_\_\_\_\_ protection **Vs 5**
  - B. The journey to Jerusalem required walking or riding out in the \_\_\_\_\_ elements
  - C. Protection from the harm that may come from \_\_\_\_\_ to the elements **Vs 6**
- IV. Assurance of God's protection from all \_\_\_\_\_ that may come near us **Vs 7-8**
  - A. \_\_\_\_\_ protection **Vs 7**
  - B. \_\_\_\_\_ protection **Vs 8**

**PSALM 122** A Song of degrees of David.

- I. God's city a place of many \_\_\_\_\_ **Vs 1-3**
  - A. **House of the Lord**-\_\_\_\_\_
  - B. Joy at the thought of going to Jerusalem **Vs 1**
    - 1. A \_\_\_\_\_ place **Vs 2**
    - 2. A well laid out (\_\_\_\_\_) city **Vs 3**
- II. God's city was the \_\_\_\_\_ gathering place for Israel to come and worship God **Vs 4**
- III. God's city was the place where Israel's \_\_\_\_\_ king dwelt **Vs 5**
- IV. God's city was a place that needed the protection and \_\_\_\_\_ of God **Vs 6-8**
- V. God's city was a place where \_\_\_\_\_ could be found **Vs 9**