

Old Testament

- Psa 78:1** A Maskil of Asaph. Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth!
- Psa 78:2** I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old,
- Psa 78:3** things that we have heard and known, that our fathers have told us.
- Psa 78:4** We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.
- Psa 78:5** He established a testimony in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers to teach to their children,
- Psa 78:6** that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and arise and tell them to their children,
- Psa 78:7** so that they should set their hope in God and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments;
- Psa 78:8** and that they should not be like their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation, a generation whose heart was not steadfast, whose spirit was not faithful to God.
- Psa 78:9** The Ephraimites, armed with the bow, turned back on the day of battle.
- Psa 78:10** They did not keep God's covenant, but refused to walk according to his law.
- Psa 78:11** They forgot his works and the wonders that he had shown them.
- Psa 78:12** In the sight of their fathers he performed wonders in the land of Egypt, in the fields of Zoan.
- Psa 78:13** He divided the sea and let them pass through it, and made the waters stand like a heap.
- Psa 78:14** In the daytime he led them with a cloud, and all the night with a fiery light.
- Psa 78:15** He split rocks in the wilderness and gave them drink abundantly as from the deep.
- Psa 78:16** He made streams come out of the rock and caused waters to flow down like rivers.
- Psa 78:17** Yet they sinned still more against him, rebelling against the Most High in the desert.
- Psa 78:18** They tested God in their heart by demanding the food they craved.
- Psa 78:19** They spoke against God, saying, "Can God spread a table in the wilderness?"
- Psa 78:20** He struck the rock so that water gushed out and streams overflowed. Can he also give bread or provide meat for his people?"
- Psa 78:21** Therefore, when the LORD heard, he was full of wrath; a fire was kindled against Jacob; his anger rose against Israel,
- Psa 78:22** because they did not believe in God and did not trust his saving power.
- Psa 78:23** Yet he commanded the skies above and opened the doors of heaven,
- Psa 78:24** and he rained down on them manna to eat and gave them the grain of heaven.
- Psa 78:25** Man ate of the bread of the angels; he sent them food in abundance.
- Psa 78:26** He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens, and by his power he led out the south wind;
- Psa 78:27** he rained meat on them like dust, winged birds like the sand of the seas;
- Psa 78:28** he let them fall in the midst of their camp, all around their dwellings.
- Psa 78:29** And they ate and were well filled, for he gave them what they craved.
- Psa 78:30** But before they had satisfied their craving, while the food was still in their mouths,
- Psa 78:31** the anger of God rose against them, and he killed the strongest of them and laid low the young men of Israel.
- Psa 78:32** In spite of all this, they still sinned; despite his wonders, they did not believe.
- Psa 78:33** So he made their days vanish like a breath, and their years in terror.
- Psa 78:34** When he killed them, they sought him; they repented and sought God earnestly.

Psa 78:35 They remembered that God was their rock, the Most High God their redeemer.
Psa 78:36 But they flattered him with their mouths; they lied to him with their tongues.
Psa 78:37 Their heart was not steadfast toward him; they were not faithful to his covenant.
Psa 78:38 Yet he, being compassionate, atoned for their iniquity and did not destroy them; he restrained his anger often and did not stir up all his wrath.
Psa 78:39 He remembered that they were but flesh, a wind that passes and comes not again.
Psa 78:40 How often they rebelled against him in the wilderness and grieved him in the desert!
Psa 78:41 They tested God again and again and provoked the Holy One of Israel.
Psa 78:42 They did not remember his power or the day when he redeemed them from the foe,
Psa 78:43 when he performed his signs in Egypt and his marvels in the fields of Zoan.
Psa 78:44 He turned their rivers to blood, so that they could not drink of their streams.
Psa 78:45 He sent among them swarms of flies, which devoured them, and frogs, which destroyed them.
Psa 78:46 He gave their crops to the destroying locust and the fruit of their labor to the locust.
Psa 78:47 He destroyed their vines with hail and their sycamores with frost.
Psa 78:48 He gave over their cattle to the hail and their flocks to thunderbolts.
Psa 78:49 He let loose on them his burning anger, wrath, indignation, and distress, a company of destroying angels.
Psa 78:50 He made a path for his anger; he did not spare them from death, but gave their lives over to the plague.
Psa 78:51 He struck down every firstborn in Egypt, the firstfruits of their strength in the tents of Ham.
Psa 78:52 Then he led out his people like sheep and guided them in the wilderness like a flock.
Psa 78:53 He led them in safety, so that they were not afraid, but the sea overwhelmed their enemies.
Psa 78:54 And he brought them to his holy land, to the mountain which his right hand had won.
Psa 78:55 He drove out nations before them; he apportioned them for a possession and settled the tribes of Israel in their tents.
Psa 78:56 Yet they tested and rebelled against the Most High God and did not keep his testimonies,
Psa 78:57 but turned away and acted treacherously like their fathers; they twisted like a deceitful bow.
Psa 78:58 For they provoked him to anger with their high places; they moved him to jealousy with their idols.
Psa 78:59 When God heard, he was full of wrath, and he utterly rejected Israel.
Psa 78:60 He forsook his dwelling at Shiloh, the tent where he dwelt among mankind,
Psa 78:61 and delivered his power to captivity, his glory to the hand of the foe.
Psa 78:62 He gave his people over to the sword and vented his wrath on his heritage.
Psa 78:63 Fire devoured their young men, and their young women had no marriage song.
Psa 78:64 Their priests fell by the sword, and their widows made no lamentation.
Psa 78:65 Then the Lord awoke as from sleep, like a strong man shouting because of wine.
Psa 78:66 And he put his adversaries to rout; he put them to everlasting shame.
Psa 78:67 He rejected the tent of Joseph; he did not choose the tribe of Ephraim,
Psa 78:68 but he chose the tribe of Judah, Mount Zion, which he loves.
Psa 78:69 He built his sanctuary like the high heavens, like the earth, which he has founded forever.
Psa 78:70 He chose David his servant and took him from the sheepfolds;
Psa 78:71 from following the nursing ewes he brought him to shepherd Jacob his people, Israel his inheritance.
Psa 78:72 With upright heart he shepherded them and guided them with his skillful hand.

New Testament

- Rom 7:1** Or do you not know, brothers--for I am speaking to those who know the law--that the law is binding on a person only as long as he lives?
- Rom 7:2** For a married woman is bound by law to her husband while he lives, but if her husband dies she is released from the law of marriage.
- Rom 7:3** Accordingly, she will be called an adulteress if she lives with another man while her husband is alive. But if her husband dies, she is free from that law, and if she marries another man she is not an adulteress.
- Rom 7:4** Likewise, my brothers, you also have died to the law through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another, to him who has been raised from the dead, in order that we may bear fruit for God.
- Rom 7:5** For while we were living in the flesh, our sinful passions, aroused by the law, were at work in our members to bear fruit for death.
- Rom 7:6** But now we are released from the law, having died to that which held us captive, so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit and not in the old way of the written code.
- Rom 7:7** What then shall we say? That the law is sin? By no means! Yet if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. For I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, "You shall not covet."
- Rom 7:8** But sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of covetousness. For apart from the law, sin lies dead.
- Rom 7:9** I was once alive apart from the law, but when the commandment came, sin came alive and I died.
- Rom 7:10** The very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me.
- Rom 7:11** For sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, deceived me and through it killed me.
- Rom 7:12** So the law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.
- Rom 7:13** Did that which is good, then, bring death to me? By no means! It was sin, producing death in me through what is good, in order that sin might be shown to be sin, and through the commandment might become sinful beyond measure.
- Rom 7:14** For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin.
- Rom 7:15** For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate.
- Rom 7:16** Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good.
- Rom 7:17** So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.
- Rom 7:18** For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out.
- Rom 7:19** For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing.
- Rom 7:20** Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.
- Rom 7:21** So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand.
- Rom 7:22** For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being,
- Rom 7:23** but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.
- Rom 7:24** Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?
- Rom 7:25** Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.