

Psalm 45 New American Standard Bible

A Song of Love.

My heart overflows with a good theme;

I address my verses to the King;

My tongue is the pen of a ready writer.

² You are fairer than the sons of men;

Grace is poured upon Your lips;

Therefore God has blessed You forever.

³ Gird Your sword on *Your* thigh, O Mighty One,
In Your splendor and Your majesty!

⁴ And in Your majesty ride on victoriously,

For the cause of truth and meekness *and* righteousness;

Let Your right hand teach You awesome things.

⁵ Your arrows are sharp;

The peoples fall under You;

Your arrows are in the heart of the King's enemies.

⁶ Your throne, O God, is forever and ever;

A scepter of uprightness is the scepter of Your kingdom.

⁷ You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness;

Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You

With the oil of joy above Your fellows.

⁸ All Your garments are *fragrant with* myrrh and aloes *and* cassia;

Out of ivory palaces stringed instruments have made You glad.

⁹ Kings' daughters are among Your noble ladies;

At Your right hand stands the queen in gold from Ophir.

¹⁰ Listen, O daughter, give attention and incline your ear:

Forget your people and your father's house;

¹¹ Then the King will desire your beauty.

Because He is your Lord, bow down to Him.

¹² The daughter of Tyre *will come* with a gift;

The rich among the people will seek your favor.

¹³ The King's daughter is all glorious within;

Her clothing is interwoven with gold.

¹⁴ She will be led to the King in embroidered work;

The virgins, her companions who follow her,

Will be brought to You.

¹⁵ They will be led forth with gladness and rejoicing;
They will enter into the King's palace.

¹⁶ In place of your fathers will be your sons;
You shall make them princes in all the earth.

¹⁷ I will cause Your name to be remembered in all generations;
Therefore the peoples will give You thanks forever and ever.

We will use five tools on our expedition that are built around five questions

What questions were provoked within you?

Did anything confuse you?

Did anything move you emotionally?

Did God instruct you to do something?

Did you gain any insight into God's character?

1. What is it for your heart to overflow?
2. How might that overflow be seen?
3. What is a good theme?
4. David has broken out into song - words with music that tell of how his heart is feeling and what it is full of.
5. He directs this love talk to the King of Kings. Can you imagine what it might be like to love a King in this way?
6. God is King, He has a Kingdom, and He is looking for worthy subjects.
7. The pen records inspiration spoken by David's tongue
8. 'God is fairer than the sons of men' - is this true?
9. Grace is poured out upon God's lips.
10. When we tell God stuff, he enjoys this offering of love.
11. Isn't it better to come to God with adoration, than to come to him having to say sorry for wrongdoing?
12. For anyone to receive blessing is a good thing, but to be blessed by God is a particularly good thing.
13. David's declaration of a great warrior in splendour and glory, enlightened his heart to even more adoration of God.
14. To make sense of the life we live and for it to be a worthy cause, it must contain meekness, truth and righteousness.
15. Learning from God is the ultimate privilege.
16. In God alone is where eternity is found.
17. God loves what is right and hates wickedness.

18. A sceptre is the authority to act.
19. What does 'therefore God, You are God' mean? How many gods are there?
20. Greatness is not 'cosmetic make-up', but truth exalts greatness.
21. What is the oil of joy?
22. Why does the sweet smell bring pleasure?
23. Why do instruments bring gladness of spirit?
24. The Christian life is full of choices to be made and letting go of things.
25. Who is the Kings daughter?
26. How can we be led into joy and gladness?
27. Legacies are important to Kings, because their desire is for what they have accomplished to continue.
28. What is your legacy to the generations to come?