



### Psalm 124 – March 1-15, 2017

*<sup>1</sup>If the LORD had not been on our side— let Israel say—<sup>2</sup>if the LORD had not been on our side when people attacked us, <sup>3</sup>they would have swallowed us alive when their anger flared against us; <sup>4</sup>the flood would have engulfed us, the torrent would have swept over us, <sup>5</sup>the raging waters would have swept us away. <sup>6</sup>Praise be to the LORD, who has not let us be torn by their teeth. <sup>7</sup>We have escaped like a bird from the Fowler's snare; the snare has been broken, and we have escaped. <sup>8</sup>Our help is in the name of the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.*

**The Lord God, Jehovah Mefalti, is our Great Deliverer!** One commentary says: "The danger was so great, their helplessness was so manifest, and the deliverance was so clearly the work of God, that it was proper to say that if this had not occurred, ruin would have been inevitable and entire. God suffers the enemies of his people sometimes to prevail very far against them, that his power may be seen the more in their deliverance. Happy the people whose God is Jehovah, a God all-sufficient."

#### Suggested Prayer Focuses:

- Let us meditate on the Lord's faithfulness to us individually and corporately. Thank Him for His power to deliver us from sin, self and from all evil. Ask the Lord to point out areas of self-confidence, dependence upon others, or "looking to Egypt" for help – let us put our whole confidence and trust in Him to deliver us so that He would get all the glory. Repent where we have been impatient in the waiting. Rejoice that He is for us! Heb 10:35-36 Psalm 108:12
- In leading up to Herrnhut, let us agree with God's Word that says in our old human nature there 'dwells no good thing'. Let us then come together as pure, humble and contrite vessels that the Lord can fill, so that He receives all the glory for what **He accomplishes!** Romans 7:18, Isaiah 42:8, 2 Tim 2:20-21, Isaiah 57:15
- Pray for the Jewish people, that the Lord would deliver them individually and as a nation. Pray that they would behold their God, the Messiah Jesus Christ, who is their Mighty Deliverer, and repent, becoming completed Jews. Isaiah 40:9, Romans 11:26

**Prayer:** Father, you said that in this world we would have tribulation (John 16:33) but to be of good cheer because you have already overcome the world. Even in temptation you always make a way of escape so that we can endure (1 Cor 10:13) Thank you for giving us comfort in our pain and calming our fears. You set us free from every evil trap and snare! We declare that you are our Mighty Deliverer and that you rescue us from all evil and bring us safely to the place where you dwell.  
2 Tim 4:18; Psalm 140:1; 2 Cor 4:16-18