

PSALM 86

A prayer of David.

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1. Turn to me, O LORD, and heed me;
 see how poor I am, how need - y.
 I who serve You con - stant - ly
 trust in You to res - cue me.
 Guard my life, show me Your fa - vour,
 for You are my God and Sav - iour.
 Lord, Your ser - vant's joy re - new,
 for I lift my soul to You.

2. You forgive us our transgressions
 in your mercy and compassion;
 You abound in love and grace.
 In my woes I seek Your face.
 You, O LORD, will hear my pleading.
 There's no power Yours exceeding.
 You, O God, how great You are,
 great Your deeds beyond compare!

3. All the *nations will adore You*;
they will *come and bow before You*,
bringing *glory to Your name*,
for none *equals You in fame*.
Lord *supreme in might and splendour*,
glorious are Your works of wonder;
glorious is Your heavenly throne.
You are *God – yes, You alone*.

4. Teach me, *in Your ways direct me*;
in Your *truth, O LORD, instruct me*.
Let it *be my heart's one aim*
to *revere Your holy name*.
Thankful *for Your grace and favour*,
I will *praise Your name forever*.
In Your *love You came to save*
me, *Your servant, from the grave*.

5. See the *proud pursue and hound me*;
those who *seek my life surround me*.
They for *You have no regard*.
But in *You I trust, O Lord*.
You are *rich in love and favour*,
slow to *anger, patient ever*;
boundless is Your faithfulness.
Pity me in my distress.

6. Strengthen *me in my affliction*;
grant Your *servant Your protection*.
You whom *I rely upon*,
rescue *me, Your handmaid's son*.
Give me *proof of Your great favour*;
show my *foes You are my Saviour*.
Shame them *all and let them see*
how You *help and comfort me*.