

# PSALM 61

**To the choirmaster: with stringed instruments. Of David.**

<sup>1</sup> Hear my cry, O God,  
listen to my prayer;  
<sup>2</sup> from the end of the earth I call to you  
when my heart is faint.

Lead me to the rock  
that is higher than I,  
<sup>3</sup> for you have been my refuge,  
a strong tower against the enemy.

<sup>4</sup> Let me dwell in your tent forever!  
Let me take refuge under the shelter of your wings! *Selah*

<sup>5</sup> For you, O God, have heard my vows;  
you have given me the heritage of those who fear your name.

<sup>6</sup> Prolong the life of the king;  
may his years endure to all generations!  
<sup>7</sup> May he be enthroned forever before God;  
appoint steadfast love and faithfulness to watch over him!

<sup>8</sup> So will I ever sing praises to your name,  
as I perform my vows day after day.

## A Psalm for When You Are Worn Out

Psalm 61

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The superscription gives instructions to community worship leaders

1. God is \_\_\_\_\_ needed  
FOCUS a plea for God to pay attention  
The psalmist feels far from God  
\_\_\_\_\_, he calls to God (see also Psalm 102)  
Every emotion can be brought to God
2. God comes close  
ROCK a natural summit, a rugged mountain \_\_\_\_\_  
TOWER purpose-built for security and \_\_\_\_\_  
TENT a hospitable, \_\_\_\_\_ welcome for guests  
WINGS close, personal and \_\_\_\_\_ protection  
(see also Psalm 57:1)
3. God hears  
Confidence dawns on the desperate worshipper \_\_\_\_\_  
He has a heritage / inheritance with all God-fearing people  
“unlimited and \_\_\_\_\_” (Kidner)  
(see also Psalm 37:11, 29 and Matthew 5:5)
4. God reigns  
God’s king will \_\_\_\_\_ reign (is this David?)  
God’s king endures to all generations  
God’s king is enthroned \_\_\_\_\_ ( see Isaiah 9:6)  
**The Messiah is King Jesus** “sad hearts weep no more”  
(see also Daniel 7:27 and Revelation 22:5)

As long as God’s steadfast love and faithfulness last toward Christ  
For that long, I will \_\_\_\_\_ praises to His name every day.