

# Psalm 144

**Psalms 144:1-4** [New King James] *“Blessed be the LORD my Rock, Who trains my hands for war, and my fingers for battle, my lovingkindness and my fortress, my high tower and my deliverer, my shield and the One in whom I take refuge, Who subdues my people under me. LORD, what is man, that You take knowledge of him? Or the son of man, that You are mindful of him? Man is like a breath; his days are like a passing shadow.”*

**These opening verses speak of the greatness of the Creator God who at last had secured King David on his throne, ascribing all the glory to God and views with nothing but wonder the fact that he has been the recipient of such favours.**

**Then in contrast David looks at the insignificance and insubstantiality of human beings, who can never deserve or accomplish their own salvation.**

David reminds us that human life is very short when contrasted to the Eternal God who had no beginning and will have no end, [Hebrews 7:1-3; Revelation 1:8; Revelation 21:6; Revelation 22:13]. Human life is but a *“passing shadow,” “a mist that appears for a little while then vanishes,”* [James 4:13-14].

Because of this we should live for the Creator God to re-educate [Romans 12:2] and remould our lives, [Isaiah 64:8] not waste our lives by selecting goals and activities that have no lasting value.

**Romans 12:1** [NIV] *“Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God, this is your spiritual act of worship.”*

**Offering our lives to the Creator God to use as He will, this is the only way we can make our lives worthwhile, purposeful and meaningful now, and receive the gift of eternal life from the Creator God, [Romans 6:23].**

**Psalms 144:5-11** [New King James] *“Bow down Your heavens, O LORD, and come down; touch the mountains, and they shall smoke. Flash forth lightning and scatter them; shoot out Your arrows and destroy them. Stretch out Your hand from above; rescue me and deliver me out of great waters, from the hand of foreigners, whose mouth speaks lying words, and whose right hand is a right hand of falsehood. I will sing a new song to You, O God; on a harp of ten strings I will sing praises to You, the One who gives salvation to kings, Who delivers David His servant from the deadly sword. Rescue me and deliver me from the hand of foreigners, whose mouth speaks lying words, and whose right hand is a right hand of falsehood,”*

Though David was enthroned by wonderful acts of the Creator God for him, he still needed divine help.

**Psalms 144:12** [New King James] *“That our sons may be as plants grown up in their youth; that our daughters may be as pillars, sculptured in palace style;”*

David looks forward in prayer to the glorious future that the Creator God is preparing for all humanity, by asking for blessings on his own family. Sons that are soundly rooted in God’s way of life, [Proverbs 22:6; Proverbs 13:24; Hebrews 12:9-11].

**Daughters “pillars” pointing to giving stability to a family [house] in the position of wife and mother that is the well-ordered stability in society as a whole, [Proverbs 31:10-31].**

**Psalms 144:13-14** [New King James] *“That our barns may be full, supplying all kinds of produce; that our sheep may bring forth thousands and ten thousands in our fields; that our oxen may be well laden; that there be no breaking in or going out; that there be no outcry in our streets.”*

*“Breaking in or going out”* refers to disease and miscarriage among the herds.

**Psalms 144:15** [New King James] *“Happy are the people who are in such a state; happy are the people whose God is the LORD!”*

**This is the key to the blessings listed, a right relationship with the Creator God, [Micah 4:1-5].**

**Such physical blessings will only come to all humanity after the Second Coming of Jesus Christ to rule all the earth, so these verses could be prophetic.**

**Amos 9:13-15** [New King James] *“‘Behold, the days are coming,’ says the LORD, ‘When the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him who sows seed; the mountains shall drip with sweet wine, and all the hills shall flow with it. I will bring back the captives of My people Israel; they shall build the waste cities and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and drink wine from them; they shall also make gardens and eat fruit from them. I will plant them in their land, and no longer shall they be pulled up from the land I have given them,’ says the LORD your God.”*

**All this will be the result of people obeying the true Creator God and worshipping Him only, not other idols or religious leaders.**

The Creator God expects our belief in Him and obedience to His way of life to penetrate all areas of our conduct.