Psalm 132

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1. Remember David's troubles, Lord, How the Lord he swore, And vowed a vow to Jacob's God, To keep for ever more. I will not come within my house, Till I have found out for the Lord A place to sit thereon: An house for Jacob's God to be An habitation. We heard of it at Ephrathah,

2. Unto Thy resting place: Both Thou and the ark of Thy strength, The presence of Thy grace. Refuse not, Lord, I say: The face of Thine anointed, Lord, Nor turn Thy face away.

3. We will assay and go in now, His tabernacle there: Before His footstool to fall down, Upon our knees in fear. Arise, O Lord, arise, I say, Unto Thy rest ing place: Both Thou and the ark of Thy strength, The presence of Thy grace.

4. Let all Thy priests be clothed, Lord, With truth and righteousness: Let all Thy saints and holy men Sing all with joyfulness. And for Thy servant David's sake, The face of Thine anointed, Lord, Nor turn Thy face away.

5. The Lord to David swore in truth, And will not shrink from it: Saying the fruit of Thy body Upon Thy seat shall sit. And if thy sons Thy covenant keep, Then shall their sons forever sit Upon thy princely throne.

6. The Lord Himself hath chose Zion, And loves therein to dwell: Saying, this is my resting place, I love and like it well. And I will bless with great increase Her victuals everywhere: And I will satisfy with bread The needy that be there.

7. Yea, I will deck and clothe her priests With my salutation: And all her saints shall sing for joy Of my protection. There will I surely make the horn Of David for to bud: For I have there ordained for mine A lantern bright and good.