IMPOSITION OF ASHES

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*Antiphon*

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*Psalm 90*

O Lord, you have **been our refuge,** [5]

from generation to **generation.**

BbBefore the moun**tains were born,**

 Cor the earth or the world **were brought forth,**

you are God, from **age to age.**

You turn man **back to dust**, [5]

and say, “Return, O chil**dren of men.”**

 BbTo your eyes a **thousand years**

C are like yesterday, **come and gone,**

or like a watch **in the night.**

You sweep them away **like a dream,**

like grass which is fresh **in the morning.**

In the morning it sprouts **and is fresh;**

by evening it wi**thers and fades.**

Indeed, we are consumed **by your anger;**

we are struck with terror **at your fury.**

You have set our guilt be**fore you,**

our secrets in the light **of your face.**

All our days pass away **in your anger.**

Our years are consumed **like a sigh.**

Seventy years is the span of **our days,**

or eighty if **we are strong.**

And most of these are **toil and pain.**

They pass swiftly and **we are gone.**

Who understands the power of **your anger?**

Your fury matches the **fear of you.**

Then teach us to num**ber our days,**

that we may gain wis**dom of heart.**

Turn back, O LORD! **How long?**

Show pity **to your servants.**

At dawn, fill us with your **merciful love;**

we shall exult and rejoice **all our days.**

Give us joy for the days of our **affliction,**

for the years when we looked **upon evil.**

Let your deed be seen **by your servants,**  [5]

and your glorious power **by their children.**

Bb  Let the favor of the Lord our God **be upon us;**

Cgive success to the work **of our hands.**

O give success to the work **of our hands.**

***Psalm 103***

The LORD is compassion*-****ate and* gracious,**

slow to anger and ***rich in* mercy.**

He will not always ***find* fault;**

nor persist in his ang-***er* forever.**

He does not treat us according ***to our* sins,** [6]

nor repay us according ***to our* faults.**

For as the heavens are high a***bove the* earth,**

so strong his mercy for ***those* *who fear* him.**

As far as the east is from ***the* west,**

so far from us does he remove ***our trans*gressions.**

As a father has compassion ***on his* children,**

the LORD’s compassion is on ***those who* fear him.**

For he knows of what we ***are* made;**

he remembers that ***we are* dust.**

Man, his days ***are like* grass;**

he flowers like the flower ***of the* field.**

The wind blows, and it is ***no* more,**

and its place never sees it ***a*-gain.**

But the mercy of the LORD is***ever*-lasting** [5]

upon those who hold ***him in* fear,**

Bb upon children’s child***ren his* justice,**

C  for those who ***keep his* covenant,**

and remember to fulfill ***his com*mands.**

***Psalm 51***

Do not cast me away ***from your* presence;**

take not your holy spir***it from* me.**

Restore in me the joy of your ***sal*vation;**

sustain in me a ***willing spi*rit.**

My sacrifice to God, a***broken* spirit:** [5]

a broken and ***humbled* heart,**

**Bb** O God, you ***will not* spurn.**

 C In your good pleasure, show fav***or to* Sion;**

rebuild the walls ***of Je*rusalem.**

*Hosea 6:6*

I want a loving heart more than sacrifice,

 Knowledge of my ways more than Holocausts.



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