

Scripture

Psalm 83 (NLT)

A psalm of Asaph.

- 1** O God, do not be silent!
Do not be deaf.
Do not be quiet, O God.
- 2** Don't you hear the uproar of your enemies?
Don't you see that your arrogant enemies
are rising up?
- 3** They devise crafty schemes against your
people; they conspire against your
precious ones.

- 4 “Come,” they say, “let us wipe out Israel as a nation. We will destroy the very memory of its existence.”
- 5 Yes, this was their unanimous decision.
They signed a treaty as allies against you -
- 6 these Edomites and Ishmaelites;
Moabites and Hagrites;
- 7 Gebalites, Ammonites, and Amalekites;
and people from Philistia and Tyre.
- 8 Assyria has joined them, too,
and is allied with the descendants of Lot.

- 9** Do to them as you did to the Midianites
and as you did to Sisera and Jabin at the
Kishon River.
- 10** They were destroyed at Endor,
and their decaying corpses fertilized the
soil.
- 11** Let their mighty nobles die as Oreb and Zeeb
did. Let all their princes die like Zebah and
Zalmunna,
- 12** for they said, “Let us seize for our own use
these pasturelands of God!”
- 13** O my God, scatter them like tumbleweed,
like chaff before the wind!

- 14** As a fire burns a forest
and as a flame sets mountains ablaze,
- 15** chase them with your fierce storm;
terrify them with your tempest.
- 16** Utterly disgrace them
until they submit to your name, O Lord.
- 17** Let them be ashamed and terrified forever.
Let them die in disgrace.
- 18** Then they will learn that you alone are called
the Lord, that you alone are the Most
High, supreme over all the earth.