



# PRAY FOR CAMEROON

RESPONSIVE READINGS

## 2. Recognition of God's goodness: Psalm 1 — Psalm 25: 4-5ab, 8-9, 10, 14

**R: (1) To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.**

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me;  
teach me your paths,  
Guide me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are God my savior.

**R: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.**

Good and upright is the LORD;  
thus he shows sinners the way.  
He guides the humble to justice,  
and teaches the humble his way.

**R: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.**

All the paths of the LORD are kindness and constancy  
toward those who keep his covenant and his decrees.  
The friendship of the LORD is with those who fear him,  
and his covenant, for their instruction.

**R: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.**

## 4. Pray that nations will find peace in God: Psalm 4 — Psalm 72: 1b-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13

**R: (cf. 11) Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

O God, with your judgment endow the king,  
and with your justice the king's son;  
he shall govern your people with justice  
and your afflicted ones with judgment.

**R: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

Justice shall flower in his days,  
and profound peace, till the moon be no more.  
May he rule from sea to sea,  
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

**R: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

The kings of Tarshish and the Islands shall offer gifts;  
the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute.  
All kings shall pay him homage,  
all nations shall serve him.

**R: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out,  
and the afflicted when he has no one to help him.  
He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor;  
the lives of the poor he shall save.

**R: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

**6. Give thanks that God provides for our needs: Psalm 9b — Psalm 136: 1, 3, 16, 21-23, 24-26**

**R: God's love is everlasting.**

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,  
for his mercy endures forever;  
give thanks to the Lord of lords,  
for his mercy endures forever;  
who led his people through the wilderness,  
for his mercy endures forever.

**R: God's love is everlasting.**

Who made their land a heritage,  
for his mercy endures forever;  
the heritage of Israel, his servant,  
for his mercy endures forever;  
who remembered us in our abjection,  
for his mercy endures forever.

**R: God's love is everlasting.**

Who freed us from our foes,  
for his mercy endures forever;  
who gives food to all flesh,  
for his mercy endures forever;  
give thanks to the God of heaven,  
for his mercy endures forever.

**R: God's love is everlasting.**

**8. Confession: Psalm 5 — Psalm 51: 3-4, 5-6a, 12-13, 14, 17**

**R: (cf. 3a) Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness;  
in the greatness of your compassion wipe out my offense.  
Thoroughly wash me from my guilt;  
and of my sin cleanse me.

**R: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

For I acknowledge my offense,  
and my sin is before me always.  
"Against you only have I sinned,  
and done what is evil in your sight."

**R: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

A clean heart create for me, O God,  
and a steadfast spirit renew within me.  
Cast me not out from your presence,  
and your Holy Spirit take not from me.

**R: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

Give me back the joy of your salvation,  
and a willing spirit sustain in me.  
O Lord, open my lips,  
and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

**R: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

**10. Deliverance from evil: Psalm 6 — Psalm 91: 1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14**

**R:** (cf. 15b) **Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.**

You who dwell in the shelter of the Most High,  
who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,  
say to the LORD, "My refuge and fortress,  
my God, in whom I trust."

**R: Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.**

No evil shall befall you,  
nor shall affliction come near your tent.  
For God commands the angels  
to guard you in all your ways.

**R: Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.**

**12. Deliverance from evil: Psalm 6 — Psalm 91: 1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14 (continued)**

**R:** (cf. 15b) **Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.**

Upon their hands they shall bear you up,  
lest you dash your foot against a stone.  
You shall tread upon the asp and the viper;  
you shall trample down the lion and the dragon.

**R: Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.**

Because he clings to me, I will deliver him;  
I will set him on high because he acknowledges my name.  
He shall call upon me, and I will answer him;  
I will be with him in distress;  
I will deliver him and glorify him.

**R: Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.**

**14. Praise and recognition of God's control: Psalm 10 — Psalm 118: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23**

**R: (24) This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,  
for his mercy endures forever.  
Let the house of Israel say,  
"His mercy endures forever."

**R: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

**16. Praise and recognition of God's control: Psalm 10 — Psalm 118: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (continued)**

**R: (24) This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

"The right hand of the LORD is exalted;  
the right hand of the LORD has struck with power.  
I shall not die, but live,  
and declare the works of the LORD."

**R: *This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.***

The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone.  
By the LORD has this been done;  
it is wonderful in our eyes.

**R: *This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.***