

Psalm 123

Title: Psalm 123

Part of v.1 in Hebrew A song of ascents, "to go up" to Jerusalem i.e. behold: the people (Worship)

Subject Object Verb ¹To You I lift up my eyes,
Subject Verb O You who are enthroned in the heavens! ← Palace of King
Preposition of sphere / location

Illustration

"Eyes" (4x)!

²Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master,
relationship: slave:master, maid:mistress
As the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,

Humble → relationship
* Defendant → hand
Expectant → eyes/look

Like slave: maid
Shift in Pronoun "I" to "you"

Grace (3x) Need

Temporal God's Timing

So our eyes look to the LORD our God,
(Until) He is gracious to us.

³Be gracious to us, O LORD, be gracious to us,

For we are greatly filled with contempt.

Deep inner Pain
from head to toe

Our soul is greatly filled
With the scoffing of those who are at ease,

And with the contempt of the proud,

Godly People Pained by:

- "Contempt" - they're despised
- "Scoffing" - mocked
- "ease" - those in power & position
- "Proud" - look down upon

Why? see "A song of Ascents"

* How do God's people respond? see verb in v.1a

- I. Who we look to for help: Sovereign King
- II. How we look for help: Slave:Master...
- III. What we need as help: Grace
- IV. Why we need help: Enemies
- V. Application