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Daily Reflections

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THE LORD'S PROMISE IS EFFECTIVE

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Responsorial Psalm

*Give thanks to the LORD, invoke his name;
make known among the nations his deeds.
Sing to him, sing his praise,
proclaim all his wondrous deeds.*

*Glory in his holy name;
rejoice, O hearts that seek the LORD!
Look to the LORD in his strength;
seek to serve him constantly.*

*You descendants of Abraham, his servants,
sons of Jacob, his chosen ones!
He, the LORD, is our God;
throughout the earth his judgments prevail.*

*He remembers forever his covenant
which he made binding for a thousand generations—
Which he entered into with Abraham
and by his oath to Isaac.*

PSALM 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9

Reflection

This psalm begins with the invitation to praise God’s “wonderous deeds.” What follows is the reminder that God is steadfast in remembering the promised covenant with the descendants of Abraham – *binding for a thousand generations!* Acknowledging the God who is actively involved with Israel and who keeps the Divine promises is the foundation of this psalm.

The first stanza begins by recognizing the relationship of Israel to their God. It begins within a posture of gratitude, then moves to a declaration of God’s presence and active involvement benefitting the community. Thanks and praise encircle their relationship with the faithful LORD of their lives.



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For Prayer

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