

OUR HELP IS IN THE NAME OF THE LORD, THE
MAKER OF HEAVEN AND EARTH. PSALM 124:8

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Everlasting Father, You love Your people. When we see no solution, You have one long since planned. We know You will help Your people in a wonderful way.

Israel's help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth, for whom nothing is too hard, and who has a plan for His beloved chosen people.

Your people will worship You in awe when they see You fulfilling Your purposes. Though the way leads through darkness, fear and distress, You will never abandon Your beloved people. They are the apple of Your eye. You are their God and Father. You have declared, 'I am Israel's Father' (JEREMIAH 31:9; SEE EXODUS 4:22). You will let Your people experience this again today if, in the depths of suffering, they put their trust in You.

You have a great task in store for Your people, who are yet to be a blessing to all nations. Amen.



YOU ARE A PEOPLE HOLY TO THE LORD YOUR GOD.
THE LORD YOUR GOD HAS CHOSEN YOU OUT OF ALL
THE PEOPLES ON THE FACE OF THE EARTH TO BE HIS
PEOPLE, HIS TREASURED POSSESSION. DEUTERONOMY 7:6

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Everlasting, almighty God, from all the nations of the world You have chosen Israel to be Your very own. You chose them not for their numbers, as they are one of the smallest nations, but because they are dear to You; and because You love Your people, O eternal God, You cannot bear to see them in such great suffering.

O Father in Heaven, we cry to You, for You are a Father. Look upon Your people, Your children. See how they are oppressed on all sides. Even when they have done no wrong, they are given the blame. Loving Father, how that must grieve Your heart, for they are Your beloved people, who are yet to be of significance to the whole world. Protect Your people, deliver them from their enemies.

Make Your goodness known to them, come to their aid. Kindle in the hearts of Your people the flame of hope in the darkness now engulfing them, O Father of compassion and God of all comfort. Amen.

O LORD, GOD OF OUR FATHERS, ARE YOU NOT
THE GOD WHO IS IN HEAVEN? YOU RULE OVER
ALL THE KINGDOMS OF THE NATIONS. POWER AND
MIGHT ARE IN YOUR HAND, AND NO ONE CAN
WITHSTAND YOU. 2 CHRONICLES 20:6

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Loving Father, create in Your people the faith that You will bring them through. You are the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Today as of old You forgive sin, and help Your people. You will not allow them to be destroyed.

Father, You see how Your people Israel are hated by all those who hate You. You suffer with Your people. We pray that those who try to destroy Your people will actually drive them to You.

Father, Your people are surrounded by mortal enemies. We pray that their fear will not cast them into despair, but cause them to seek Your face in prayer.

Father, may You have the comfort of seeing Your people take refuge in Your heart.



Father, kindle in them the flame of faith by Your Spirit. In their distress help them to put their trust in You, their God, the God of Israel, who – as they know and proclaim – does miracles. Amen.



YOU HAVE ESTABLISHED YOUR PEOPLE ISRAEL AS YOUR VERY OWN FOREVER, AND YOU, O LORD, HAVE BECOME THEIR GOD. 2 SAMUEL 7:24

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Lord, bless Israel, Your people, beloved and chosen by You out of all nations but now exposed to hatred and living in fear of death.

Your heart goes out to Your people when You see the fury of those determined to destroy Israel.

We now declare the words of blessing Moses once pronounced over Israel: 'Blessed are you, O Israel!

Who is like you, a people saved by the LORD? He is your shield and helper and your glorious sword. Your enemies will cower before you, and you will trample down their high places.' DEUTERONOMY 33:29

Litany of Blessing for Israel

Lord, bless Israel, the people You love, and watch over Your Land of Promise with a fatherly eye.



Lord, bless Israel, the people You love, by fulfilling Your eternal purposes for them speedily and by guiding them on to the glorious destiny You have in store for them.



Lord, bless Israel, the people You love. Give them a new awareness of their calling, and help them to live up to it.



Lord, bless Israel, the people you love. Keep them from feeling overwhelmed by their sufferings. May Your Spirit enkindle them to fervent prayer and repentance.



Lord, bless Israel, the people You love, so that they look to You alone for peace and refuge.

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Prayers for Israel

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I AM ISRAEL'S FATHER, AND EPHRAIM IS MY FIRSTBORN SON ... IS NOT EPHRAIM MY DEAR SON, THE CHILD IN WHOM I DELIGHT? THOUGH I OFTEN SPEAK AGAINST HIM, I STILL REMEMBER HIM. THEREFORE MY HEART YEARNS FOR HIM; I HAVE GREAT COMPASSION FOR HIM. JEREMIAH 31:9, 20

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O Father, Your people are in deep distress, persecuted and terrorized, filled with fear and dread.

We cry to You. Hear our prayer and in Your mercy remember that Israel is Your first-born son, the people You have chosen out of all the nations of the world.

O Father of mercy,
You cannot but send help.
Israel's help comes from You,
who made heaven and earth.
What Your Word says will come to pass.
Amen.

