

## PSALM 115

Here we have a psalm contrasting the heathen idols with Yahweh, the God of Israel.

- 1 Not to us, O YAHWEH, not to us, but to Your name give glory because of Your lovingkindness, because of Your truth.
- 2 Why should the nations say, "Where, now, is their God?"
- 3 But our God is in the heavens; He does whatever He pleases.
- 4 Their idols are silver and gold, the work of man's hands.
- 5 They have mouths, but they cannot speak; they have eyes, but they cannot see;
- 6 they have ears, but they cannot hear; they have noses, but they cannot smell;
- 7 they have hands, but they cannot feel; they have feet, but they cannot walk; they cannot make a sound with their throat.
- 8 Those who make them will become like them, everyone who trusts in them.
  
- 9 O Israel, trust in YAHWEH; He is their help and their shield.
- 10 O house of Aaron, trust in YAHWEH; He is their help and their shield.
- 11 You who fear YAHWEH, trust in YAHWEH; He is their help and their shield.
- 12 YAHWEH has been mindful of us; He will bless us;  
He will bless the house of Israel; He will bless the house of Aaron.
- 13 He will bless those who fear YAHWEH, the small together with the great.
- 14 May YAHWEH give you increase, you and your children.
- 15 May you be blessed of YAHWEH, maker of heaven and earth.
  
- 16 The heavens are the heavens of YAHWEH, but the earth He has given to the sons of men.
- 17 The dead do not praise YAHWEH, nor do any who go down into silence;
- 18 but as for us, we will bless YAHWEH from this time forth and forever. Praise YAHWEH!

### PRAYER

*Yahweh, our great and mighty God, who is like you? Who else can know the thoughts of man before they are uttered? Is there any other god who knows when a man rises up and when he sits down? And who is there beside you who knows not only the day of a man's birth and the day of his death, but who has created him as well? No, there is only one omniscient, omnipresent, and omnipotent God, and Yahweh is his name. Receive our adoration and gratitude, and may our love for you increase daily until we are gathered by the Lord Jesus Christ to dwell with you, the triune God, for all eternity. Amen.*