

Psalm 123ⁱⁱⁱ

¹To you I lift up my eyes, *

to you enthroned in the heavens.

²As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, *

and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,

³So our eyes look to the LORD our God, *

until he show us his mercy.

⁴Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy, *

for we have had more than enough of contempt,

⁵Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, *

and of the derision of the proud.

ⁱⁱⁱ About Psalm 123

This psalm is a lament in which the psalmist expresses confidence in God by the analogy of an attentive servant watching a master and hoping for a favor to be given. The psalmist hopes for an end to the contempt and humiliating insults that the arrogant now heap on them.