

Psalm 130^{iv}

Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD; LORD, hear my voice; *
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss, *

O Lord, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you; *

therefore you shall be feared.

I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him; *

in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the LORD, more than watchmen for the morning, *

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O Israel, wait for the LORD, *

for with the LORD there is mercy;

With him there is plenteous redemption, *

and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins

^{iv} About Psalm 130

This psalm is a lament, a plea for deliverance from unspecified trouble. The psalmist makes an implicit confession of sin (vv. 1-3), puts his trust in the Lord and exhorts the community to do likewise. This psalm is also called the “De profundis” (from the Latin translation of its opening words, out of the depths). It is one of the seven traditional penitential psalms and has often been set to music.