

## Psalm 89:20-37<sup>iii</sup>

<sup>20</sup>I have found David my servant; \*  
with my holy oil have I anointed him.

<sup>21</sup>My hand will hold him fast \*  
and my arm will make him strong.

<sup>22</sup>No enemy shall deceive him, \*  
nor any wicked man bring him down.

<sup>23</sup>I will crush his foes before him \*  
and strike down those who hate him.

<sup>24</sup>My faithfulness and love shall be with him, \*  
and he shall be victorious through my Name.

<sup>25</sup>I shall make his dominion extend \*  
from the Great Sea to the River.

<sup>26</sup>He will say to me, 'You are my Father, \*  
my God, and the rock of my salvation.'

<sup>27</sup>I will make him my firstborn \*  
and higher than the kings of the earth.

<sup>28</sup>I will keep my love for him forever, \*  
and my covenant will stand firm for him.

<sup>29</sup>I will establish his line for ever \*  
and his throne as the days of heaven.

<sup>30</sup>If his children forsake my law \*  
and do not walk according to my judgments;

<sup>32</sup>If they break my statutes \*  
and do not keep my commandments;

<sup>33</sup>I will punish their transgressions with a rod \*  
and their iniquities with the lash;

<sup>34</sup>But I will not take my love from him, \*  
nor let my faithfulness prove false.

<sup>35</sup>I will not break my covenant, \*  
nor change what has gone out of my lips.  
<sup>36</sup>Once for all I have sworn by my holiness: \*  
'I will not lie to David.  
<sup>37</sup>His line shall endure for ever \*  
and his throne as the sun before me;  
<sup>38</sup>It shall stand fast for evermore like the moon, \*  
the abiding witness in the sky.'

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### **iii About Psalm 89:20-37**

Psalm 89 is a royal psalm comprised of a hymn praising God's power and faithfulness (vv. 1-18), a recapitulation of the covenant between God and David's descendants (vv. 19-37) and a lament praying for deliverance from enemies (vv. 38-52).