

WISDOM'S VOICE ACROSS THE DESERTⁱ

10. For I released you from their bondage long ago, so open wide your mouth, I myself will satisfy your deepest needs.”
11. But, even there, on that first meeting ground, you did not hear, nor did you listen well.
12. So, I let hardness in your hearts become your guide. You followed it instead of me through desert lands.
13. O my people, my beloved ones, if you would have only learned to hear, then you could have walked in in such a different way.
14. I would easily have made your enemies flee from you, to become as nothing instead of overlords.
15. And those who block your path would have simply disappeared or come to stand before your feet in shame.
16. And even now, if you will, I myself can make you bread; I myself your longing for earth's sweetest food, with honey I so carefully extracted from the rock.

ⁱⁱ NOTE:

In this Psalm the prophetic voice of wisdom is given expression. The active intelligence of the divine wisdom has given the people guidance, and is now teaching them based upon that experience. This is to be a people who learns from past experience, and therefore continues to grow.

MEDITATION:

Each person on earth has the opportunity to listen within and learn from experience, for the same divine voice of wisdom is available to those who will hear. This is expressed over and over again in the Hebrew Scripture both in the Psalms and in Proverbs.

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