Psalm 106

Confession of National Sin and Plea for Regathering of the Diaspora


A1 INTRODUCTORY PRAISE AND PLEA 106:1-5

B1 Praise to Yahweh 106:1-2

C1 The Call to Praise 106:1a

D1 {1} Praise the LORD!

D2 Oh give thanks to the LORD,

C2 The Reasons for Praise 106:1b

D1 for He is good;

D2 For His lovingkindness is everlasting.

C3 The Limitations of Praise 106:2

D1 {2} Who can speak of the mighty deeds of the LORD,

D2 Or can show forth all His praise?

B2 The Blessedness of Those Who Practice Justice and Righteousness 106:3

C1 Justice: {3} How blessed are those who keep justice,

C2 Righteousness: Who practice righteousness at all times!

B3 The Psalmist's Plea for Yahweh's Salvation 106:4-5

C1 For Personal and National Favor 106:4

D1 For personal and national remembrance: {4} Remember me, O LORD, in Your favor toward Your people;

D2 For personal salvation: Visit me with Your salvation,

C2 To Enjoy the Success of Yahweh's Nation 106:5

D1 Witnessing: {5} That I may see the prosperity of Your chosen ones,

D2 Rejoicing: That I may rejoice in the gladness of Your nation,

D3 Glorifying: That I may glory with Your inheritance.
A2 THE SINS OF ISRAEL 106:6-43

B1 The Present Sin of Israel 106:6

C1 6 We have sinned like our fathers,

C2 We have committed iniquity, we have behaved wickedly.

B2 The Past Sins of Israel 106:7-43

C1 Their Rebellion by the Red Sea 106:7-12

D1 The failure of the forefathers at the Red Sea 106:7

E1 Their lack of perception: 7 Our fathers in Egypt did not understand Your wonders;

E2 Their amnesia: They did not remember Your abundant kindnesses,

E3 Their rebellion: But rebelled by the sea, at the Red Sea.

D2 Yahweh's salvation 106:8-11

E1 For His own purposes 106:8

F1 For His name's sake: 8 Nevertheless He saved them for the sake of His name,

F2 To reveal His power: That He might make His power known.

E2 Through the Red Sea 106:9

F1 Drying it up: 9 Thus He rebuked the Red Sea and it dried up,

F2 Leading Israel through: And He led them through the deeps, as through the wilderness.

E3 From Egypt 106:10-11

F1 From Pharaoh: 10 So He saved them from the hand of the one who hated them, 106:10a

F2 From the enemy: And redeemed them from the hand of the enemy. (106:10b) 106:10b-11

G1 Covered by water: 11 The waters covered their adversaries;

G2 Completely: Not one of them was left.
D3  Israel's response 106:12
   E1  Faith: 12 Then they believed His words;
   E2  Praise: They sang His praise.

C2  Their Craving in the Wilderness 106:13-15
D1  Their failure 106:13
   E1  Forgetting: 13 They quickly forgot His works;
   E2  Not waiting: They did not wait for His counsel,
D2  Their sin 106:14
   E1  Lusting: 14 But craved intensely in the wilderness,
   E2  Tempting: And tempted God in the desert.
D3  Elohim's discipline 106:15
   E1  Granting: 15 So He gave them their request,
   E2  Destroying: But sent a wasting disease among them.

C3  The Envy of Dathan and Abiram 106:16-18
D1  The objects of their envy 106:16
   E1  Moses: 16 When they became envious of Moses in the camp,
   E2  Aaron: And of Aaron, the holy one of the LORD,
D2  The shocking discipline 106:17-18
   E1  The earth opened up, destroying 106:17
      F1  Dathan: 17 The earth opened and swallowed up Dathan,
      F2  Abiram: And engulfed the company of Abiram.
   E2  A fire destroyed 106:18
      F1  Blazing: 18 And a fire blazed up in their company;
      F2  Consuming: The flame consumed the wicked.
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C4 Their Idolatry of the Golden Calf in Horeb 106:19-23

D1 The failure of Israel 106:19-22

E1 Their idolatry 106:19

F2 Making a calf: 19 They made a calf in Horeb
F2 Worshiping a statue: And worshiped a molten image.

E2 Their absurdity 106:20

F1 Trading the glory of God: 20 Thus they exchanged their glory
F2 For a grass-eating ox image: For the image of an ox that eats grass.

E3 Their forgetfulness 106:21-22

F1 Of Elohim their Savior: 21 They forgot God their Savior, 106:21a
F2 Performer of miracles 106:21b-22

G1 In Egypt 106:21b-22a

H1 Who had done great things in Egypt, 106:21b

H2 22 Wonders in the land of Ham 106:22a

G2 By the Red Sea: And awesome things by the Red Sea. 106:22b

D2 The retaliation of Elohim: 23 Therefore He said that He would destroy them, 106:23a

D3 The intervention of Moses 106:23b

E1 Standing in the breach: Had not Moses His chosen one stood in the breach before Him,

E2 Deflecting wrath: To turn away His wrath from destroying them.
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C5  Their Failure to Enter the Promised Land  106:24-27

D1  The analysis of their failure  106:24-25

E1  \{24\}  Then they despised the pleasant land;

E2  They did not believe in His word,

E3  \{25\}  But grumbled in their tents;

E4  They did not listen to the voice of the LORD.

D2  God's terrible oath:  \{26\}  Therefore He swore to them  106:26-27

E1  That He would cast them down in the wilderness,

E2  \{27\}  And that He would cast their seed among the nations

E3  And scatter them in the lands.

C6  Their Spiritual and Physical Adultery at Baal-Peor  106:28-31

D1  Their sin  106:28

E1  \{28\}  They joined themselves also to Baal-peor,

E2  And ate sacrifices offered to the dead.

D2  God's response  106:29

E1  Anger:  \{29\}  Thus they provoked Him to anger with their deeds,

E2  Deadly plague:  And the plague broke out among them.

D3  The intervention of Phinehas  106:30

E1  Intervention:  \{30\}  Then Phinehas stood up and interposed,

E2  Cessation:  And so the plague was stayed.

D4  The benefit to Phinehas  106:30

E1  Credited righteousness:  \{31\}  And it was reckoned to him for righteousness,

E2  Forever:  To all generations forever.
C7  Their Provocation at the Waters of Meribah  106:32-33

D1  Their provoking God to wrath:  {32} They also provoked Him to wrath at the waters of Meribah,

D2  The judgment upon Moses:  So that it went hard with Moses on their account;

D3  The rebellion of the people:  {33} Because they were rebellious against His Spirit,

D4  The rashness of Moses' speech:  He spoke rashly with his lips.

C8  Their Failure to Destroy the Canaanites and Their Cyclical Rebellion and Deliverance  106:34-46

D1  Their failure to destroy the peoples  106:34

E1  {34} They did not destroy the peoples,

E2  As the LORD commanded them,

D2  Their mingling with the nations  106:35

E1  {35} But they mingled with the nations

E2  And learned their practices,

D3  Their serving of idols  106:36

E1  {36} And served their idols,

E2  Which became a snare to them.

D4  Their sacrifice of their sons and daughters  106:37-38

E1  Their sacrifice to demons:  {37} They even sacrificed their sons and their daughters to the demons, 106:37

E2  Their shedding of innocent blood  106:38

F1  {38} And shed innocent blood,

F2  The blood of their sons and their daughters,

F3  Whom they sacrificed to the idols of Canaan;

F4  And the land was polluted with the blood.

D5  Their filthy prostitution  106:39

E1  Their uncleanness:  {39} Thus they became unclean in their practices,

E2  Their prostitution:  And played the harlot in their deeds.
D6  The angry discipline of Yahweh  106:40-42

E1  The outbreak of His anger  106:40

F1  {40} Therefore the anger of the LORD was kindled against His people

F2  And He abhorred His inheritance.

E2  His discipline by using foreign nations  106:41-42

F1  The control of the nations:  {41} Then He gave them into the hand of the nations,

F2  The rule of the hateful:  And those who hated them ruled over them.

F3  The oppression of the enemies:  {42} Their enemies also oppressed them,

F4  The power of their subjugation:  And they were subdued under their power.

D7  The recurring cycle of deliverance, rebellion, oppression, and deliverance  106:43-46

E1  Yahweh's repeated deliverance:  {43} Many times He would deliver them;  106:43a

E2  Their recurring rebellion  106:43b

F1  Rebellion:  They, however, were rebellious in their counsel,

F2  Iniquity:  And so sank down in their iniquity.

E3  The compassion of Yahweh  106:44-46

F1  Seeing their distress:  {44} Nevertheless He looked upon their distress

F2  Hearing their cry:  When He heard their cry;

F3  Remembering His covenant:  {45} And He remembered His covenant for their sake,

F4  Relenting because of His loyal love:  And relented according to the greatness of His lovingkindness.

F5  Granting compassion:  {46} He also made them objects of compassion In the presence of all their captors.
A3  PLEA AND BLESSING  106:47-48

B1  Plea for Restoration  106:47

   C1  For Salvation:  \{47\} Save us, O LORD our God,
   C2  For Regathering:  And gather us from among the nations,
   C3  Permitting Worship
       D1  Thanksgiving:  To give thanks to Your holy name
       D2  Praise:  And glory in Your praise.

B2  Pronouncement of Blessing  106:48

   C1  The Object of Blessing:  \{48\} Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel,
   C2  The Eternity of Blessing:  From everlasting even to everlasting.
   C3  The Unanimity of the Blessors:  And let all the people say, "Amen."
   C4  The Content of the Blessing:  Praise the LORD!