

**WHAT IF ISRAEL PRAISED?** © 2012 DianaDee Osborne page 1 of 2  
*PSALM 79*

**LYRICS**

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dedicated to The God of ALL, 17 November 2012  
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TECHNICALLY, this song belongs in the "Amazing Psalms 'n' Promises" album.  
But it is HISTORY -- current, 21st century history. And fulfilled history of Israel's prayer.

*Part 2 melody is traditional hebrew Yigdal of Daniel Ben Judah.  
Verse 1 is based on Thomas Olivers' "The God of Abraham  
Praise" (Public Domain, CCLI #111149)*

1

What if Israel praised her God as  
Israel once PROMISED?

What if Israel raised one voice, and joined together in worshiping The LORD?

**What if Israel stopped sounding like all others?!**

**What if Israel remembered that God loves her?**

**INTERLUDE -- Scripture reading.**

**Oh, do not remember former iniquities against us! Let Your tender mercies come speedily to meet us, For we have been brought very low.** Help us, O God of our salvation, For the glory of Your name; And deliver us, and provide atonement for our sins for Your name's sake!

***Why should the nations say, "Where is their God?"***

Let there be known among the nations in our sight the avenging of the BLOOD of Your servants which has been shed. So **we, Your people and sheep of Your pasture**, will give You thanks forever. **We will show forth Your praise to all generations!**

*---Psalms 79 (New Living Translation)*

2

What if Israel once more prayed her Psalms?  
and cried as one Nation to LORD God?

What if she prayed Psalm 79, and told the World her strength IS in THE LORD GOD?

**What if Israel stopped sounding like all others?!**

**What if Israel declared her strength is LORD God?**

3 -- Hymn

The God of Abr'ham praise, Who reigns enthroned above.  
The Ancient of Eternal Days, and God of Love!

**Jehovah is His Name! The Only Great "I AM" !**

One day all nations SHALL bow to Him -- Israel's God.... THE One God.

4

What if every Israelite and Christian united in prayer to THE Lord God.

What if we prayed Psalm 79 and praised God as witness to our TRUST in Him?

**What if God's people stopped sounding like all others?!**

**Jews and Christians joined in worshiping the LORD God?**

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## PSALM 79

### 5 -- Hymn

The God of Abraham reigns and laughs at the nations  
who dare to think God *can't* exist to reign over them!

**YHWH** is His Name!

[pronounced *YahWay*]

The Creator of all things and nations.

One day all nations SHALL bow to Him -- Israel's God... THE One God.

### ENDING SCRIPTURE

Psalm 2: "Why do nations rage, and the people plot a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together against the LORD and against His anointed, saying 'let us break their bonds in PIECES and cast away their cords from us.' **He who sits** in the **heavens** shall **laugh**. The Lord shall hold them in derision. THEN He shall speak to them in His wrath. And distress them in His deep displeasure."

-- Psalm 2, verses 1-5 New KJV

### Song Story.

When I was began high school, all the "popular" girls had sweet high voices. I was anything but popular, so I figured I'd try to sound like them. At home -- making sure my little brother wasn't around to laugh at me! -- I'd practice talking with a light high voice.

#### **Not a successful experiment.**

As an adult, I learned something intriguing when I began playing piano at the nursing home's weekly worship service -- None of the hard-of-hearing people had any trouble hearing my deep throated voice even when I spoke normally. Even more intriguing:

In June 2006, I began daily prayers that God would improve my voice. Without me practicing enough to claim it was from anything but God's answering, my voice stretched from a low (bass) E (which I discovered while singing "Squeaky Wheel Praising") to a high F -- 26 half steps! Yet God still gives me a deep speaking voice that sounds so **soul-full when read-ing these sad scriptures of what we people do to Him**. Of how much we hurt Him. And ANGER Almighty God with human plottings to seek our selfish control over people.

**Song Story -- The Lyrics.** I "FOUND" Psalm **79: 9** just "in passing" looking for another verse. And I gasped with surprise and joy at the sudden insight from God: *The Nation of Israel ALREADY had a system of sacrifice for the atonement of sins. Yet through this Psalm **they are asking GOD -- not themselves -- to PROVIDE atonement of sins.***

Sacrifice is based on what we individuals can do.

Israel was prophetically praying this truth -- there is nothing that any human can do to **atone for sins**. Only God can. And God DID -- this verse is yet another prophecy of Jesus as the **ANSWER to Israel's prayer of Psalm 79.**