**Psalm 84**

**1**How lovely is your dwelling place,  
    Lord Almighty!  
**2**My soul yearns, even faints,  
    for the courts of the Lord;  
my heart and my flesh cry out  
    for the living God.  
**3**Even the sparrow has found a home,  
    and the swallow a nest for herself,  
    where she may have her young—  
a place near your altar,  
    Lord Almighty, my King and my God.  
**4**Blessed are those who dwell in your house;  
    they are ever praising you.

**5**Blessed are those whose strength is in you,  
    whose hearts are set on pilgrimage.  
**6**As they pass through the Valley of Baka,  
    they make it a place of springs;  
    the autumn rains also cover it with pools.  
**7**They go from strength to strength,  
    till each appears before God in Zion.

**8**Hear my prayer, Lord God Almighty;  
    listen to me, God of Jacob.  
**9**Look on our shield,[[e](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+84&version=NIV#fen-NIV-15269e)] O God;  
    look with favor on your anointed one.

**10**Better is one day in your courts  
    than a thousand elsewhere;  
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God  
    than dwell in the tents of the wicked.  
**11**For the Lord God is a sun and shield;  
    the Lord bestows favor and honor;  
no good thing does he withhold  
    from those whose walk is blameless.

**12**Lord Almighty,  
    blessed is the one who trusts in you.