**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.