

Chesed in the Psalms

The Psalmists (primarily David) knew much of God's great love! They were caught up with it. The word "Chesed" is used in the Psalms (Strongs 2617) over 120 times. Below is a list of nearly all the usages of the word from the NIV, which I have highlighted. The Psalmists never used it to express their love for God, but rather to express their excitement about God's love!

Following the directions for "Concordance Praying," this can be a powerful tool to help people engage more deeply with God because of His great love.

5:7 But I, by your **great mercy**, will come into your house; in reverence will I bow down toward your holy temple.

6:4 Turn, O LORD, and deliver me; save me because of your **unfailing love**.

13:4 my enemy will say, "I have overcome him," and my foes will rejoice when I fall. 5 But I trust in your **unfailing love**; my heart rejoices in your salvation.

17:7 Show the wonder of your **great love**, you who save by your right hand those who take refuge in you from their foes.

18:50 He gives his king great victories; he shows **unfailing kindness** to his anointed, to David and his descendants forever.

21:7 For the king trusts in the LORD; through the **unfailing love** of the Most High he will not be shaken.

23:6 Surely goodness and **love will follow me** all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

25:6 Remember, O LORD, your **great mercy and love**, for they are from of old. 7 Remember not the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways; **according to your love** remember me, for you are good, O LORD.

25:10 **All the ways of the LORD are loving** and faithful for those who keep the demands of his covenant.

26:2 Test me, O LORD, and try me, examine my heart and my mind; 3 for **your love is ever before me**, and I walk continually in your truth.

31:7 **I will be glad and rejoice in your love**, for you saw my affliction and knew the anguish of my soul.

31:16 Let your face shine on your servant; save me in your **unfailing love**.

31:21 Praise be to the LORD, for he showed his **wonderful love** to me when I was in a besieged city.

32:10 Many are the woes of the wicked, but the LORD'S **unfailing love surrounds** the man who trusts in him.

33:5 The LORD loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his **unfailing love**.

33:18 But the eyes of the LORD are on those who fear him, on those **whose hope is in his unfailing love**,

33:22 **May your unfailing love rest upon us**, O LORD, even as we put our hope in you.

36:5 **Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens**, your faithfulness to the skies.

36:7 **How priceless is your unfailing love!** Both high and low among men find refuge in the shadow of your wings.

36:10 **Continue your love to those who know you**, your righteousness to the upright in heart.

40:10 I do not hide your righteousness in my heart; I speak of your faithfulness and salvation. I do not conceal **your love** and your truth from the great assembly.

11 Do not withhold your mercy from me, O LORD; **may your love** and your truth always **protect me**.

42:8 By day **the LORD directs his love**, at night his song is with me - a prayer to the God of my life.

44:26 Rise up and help us; **redeem us because of your unfailing love**.

48:9 Within your temple, O God, **we meditate on your unfailing love**.

51:1 Have mercy on me, O God, **according to your unfailing love**; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.

52:8 But I am like an olive tree flourishing in the house of God; **I trust in God's unfailing love for ever and ever**.

57:3 He sends from heaven and saves me, rebuking those who hotly pursue me; Selah **God sends his love** and his faithfulness.

57:10 **For great is your love, reaching to the heavens**; your faithfulness reaches to the skies.

59:9 O my Strength, I watch for you; you, O God, are my fortress, 10 **my loving God**.

59:16 But I will sing of your strength, in the morning **I will sing of your love**; for you are my fortress, my refuge in times of trouble.

17 O my Strength, I sing praise to you; you, O God, are my fortress, **my loving God**.

61:7 May he be enthroned in God's presence forever; **appoint your love** and faithfulness to **protect him**.

62:11 One thing God has spoken, two things have I heard: that you, O God, are strong, 12 **and that you, O Lord, are loving.** Surely you will reward each person according to what he has done.

63:3 Because **your love is better than life,** my lips will glorify you.

66: 20 Praise be to God, **who has not** rejected my prayer or **withheld his love from me!**

69:13 But I pray to you, O LORD, in the time of your favor; **in your great love, O God, answer me with your sure salvation.**

69:16 **Answer me, O LORD, out of the goodness of your love;** in your great mercy turn to me.

77:8 **Has his unfailing love vanished forever?** Has his promise failed for all time?

85:7 **Show us your unfailing love,** O LORD, and grant us your salvation.

85:10 **Love and faithfulness meet together;** righteousness and peace kiss each other.

86:5 You are forgiving and good, O Lord, **abounding in love to all who call to you.**

86:13 **For great is your love toward me;** you have delivered me from the depths of the grave.

86:16 **Turn to me and have mercy on me;** grant your strength to your servant and save the son of your maidservant.

88:11 Is **your love** declared in the grave, your faithfulness in Destruction?

89:1 **I will sing of the LORD'S great love forever;** with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations.

2 **I will declare that your love stands firm forever,** that you established your faithfulness in heaven itself.

89:14 Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; **love and faithfulness go before you.**

89:24 **My faithful love will be with him,** and through my name his horn will be exalted.

89:28 **I will maintain my love to him forever,** and my covenant with him will never fail.

89:32 I will punish their sin with the rod, their iniquity with flogging; 33 but **I will not take my love from him,** nor will I ever betray my faithfulness.

89:49 O Lord, **where is your former great love,** which in your faithfulness you swore to David?

90:14 **Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love,** that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

92:1 It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High, 2 **to proclaim your love in the morning** and your faithfulness at night,

94:18 When I said, "My foot is slipping, " **your love, O LORD, supported me.**

98:3 **He has remembered his love** and his faithfulness to the house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

100:5 For the LORD is good and **his love endures forever**; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

101:1 **I will sing of your love** and justice; to you, O LORD, I will sing praise.

103:2 Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits - 3 who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, 4 who redeems your life from the pit and **crowns you with love** and compassion,

103:8 The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, **abounding in love.**

103:11 **For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love** for those who fear him;

103:17 **But from everlasting to everlasting the LORD'S love is with those who fear him,** and his righteousness with their children's children

106:1 Praise the LORD. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; **his love endures forever.**

106:7 When our fathers were in Egypt, they gave no thought to your miracles; they did not **remember your many kindnesses**, and they rebelled by the sea, the Red Sea.

106:44 But he took note of their distress when he heard their cry; 45 for their sake he remembered his covenant and **out of his great love he relented.**

107:1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; **his love endures forever.**

107:8, 15, 21, 31 Let them give thanks to the LORD for his **unfailing love** and his wonderful deeds for men,

107:43 Whoever is wise, let him **heed these things and consider the great love** of the LORD.

108:4 **For great is your love**, higher than the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies.

109:21 But you, O Sovereign LORD, deal well with me for your name's sake; **out of the goodness of your love, deliver me.**

109:26 Help me, O LORD my God; **save me in accordance with your love.**

117:2 For **great is his love toward us**, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD.

118:1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; **his love endures forever.** 2 Let Israel say: "His love endures forever." 3 Let the house of Aaron say: "His love endures forever." 4 Let those who fear the LORD say: "His love endures forever."

118:29 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; **his love endures forever.**

119:41 May your **unfailing** love come to me, O LORD, your salvation according to your promise;

119:64 **The earth is filled with your love,** O LORD; teach me your decrees.

119:76 May your **unfailing** love be my comfort, according to your promise to your servant.

119: 88 **Preserve my life according to your love,** and I will obey the statutes of your mouth.

119:124 **Deal with your servant according to your love** and teach me your decrees.

119:149 **Hear my voice in accordance with your love;** preserve my life, O LORD, according to your laws.

119:159 See how I love your precepts; **preserve my life, O LORD, according to your love.**

130:7 O Israel, put your hope in the LORD, for with the LORD is **unfailing** love and with him is full redemption.

136:1-24 **His love endures forever.**

138:2 **I will bow down** toward your holy temple **and will praise your name for your love** and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.

138:8 The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me; **your love, O LORD, endures forever** - do not abandon the works of your hands.

143:8 **Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love,** for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul.

143:12 **In your unfailing love, silence my enemies;** destroy all my foes, for I am your servant.

144:2 **He is my loving God and my fortress,** my stronghold and my deliverer, my shield, in whom I take refuge, who subdues peoples under me.

145:8 The LORD is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and **rich in love.**

147:10 His pleasure is not in the strength of the horse, nor his delight in the legs of a man; 11 the LORD delights in those who fear him, who **put their hope in his unfailing love.**