



## KAPH

<sup>81</sup>My **soul** faints with longing for your **salvation**,  
but I **have put** my hope in your **word**.

<sup>82</sup>My eyes fail, **looking** for your **promise**;  
I **say**, "When will you **comfort** me?"

<sup>83</sup>Though I am **like** a wineskin in the **smoke**,  
I do not forget your **decrees**.

<sup>84</sup>How long must **your servant** wait?  
When will you **punish** my persecutors?

<sup>85</sup>The arrogant **dig pits** to **trap** me,  
contrary to your **law**.

<sup>86</sup>All your commands are **trustworthy**;  
**help me**, for I am being persecuted **without cause**.

<sup>87</sup>They almost **wiped me** from the earth,  
but I have **not forsaken** your precepts.

<sup>88</sup>In your unfailing love **preserve** my life,  
that I **may obey** the **statutes** of your mouth.

NOTE: The two symbols stand for the two different pronunciations of this letter /k/ and /kh/.

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but \_\_\_\_\_ my hope in your \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>82</sup>My eyes fail, \_\_\_\_\_ for your \_\_\_\_\_;  
\_\_\_\_\_, "When will you \_\_\_\_\_ me?"

<sup>83</sup>Though I am \_\_\_\_\_ a wineskin in the \_\_\_\_\_,  
I do not forget your \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>84</sup>How long must \_\_\_\_\_ wait?  
When will you \_\_\_\_\_ my persecutors?

<sup>85</sup>The arrogant \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ me,  
contrary to your \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>86</sup>All your commands are \_\_\_\_\_;  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ I am being persecuted \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>87</sup>They almost \_\_\_\_\_ from the earth,  
but I have \_\_\_\_\_ your precepts.

<sup>88</sup>In your unfailing love \_\_\_\_\_ my life,  
that \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of your mouth.

### ACTIVITIES:

1. How does the psalmist describe depression? Write it out, and look up any metaphors so you understand them.
2. Have you ever had anything like this experience? How would you describe your own experience(s)? Use metaphors.
3. What question does the psalmist ask? Look up Exodus 30:1-10, 34-38; Leviticus 16:12-13; Luke 1:8-11; Revelation 5:8-10; Revelation 8:3-4; Hebrews 7:25; 1 Peter 2:9; 1 Timothy 2:1-6; Psalm 141:2.
4. What is the cause of the psalmist's difficulties? (Hint: not just one verse). Stop and imagine it as if it is happening.
5. What does the psalmist hold on to right in the midst of the action? How does this help him in the present?
6. This psalm is to be sung or recited by all Israel. Does this psalm apply to Christians individually and as a body? How?