



**NO
OTHER
gODS**

— *30 Days of Worship* —

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— *Baal / Protection / Hands* —

READ

Psalm 47

*¹ Come, everyone! Clap your hands!
Shout to God with joyful praise!*

*² For the Lord Most High is awesome.
He is the great King of all the earth.*

*³ He subdues the nations before us,
putting our enemies beneath our
feet.*

*⁴ He chose the Promised Land as our
inheritance,
the proud possession of Jacob's
descendants, whom he loves.*

Interlude

*⁵ God has ascended with a mighty
shout.*

*The Lord has ascended with
trumpets blaring.*

*⁶ Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises!*

*⁷ For God is the King over all the
earth.*

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Praise him with a psalm.

*⁸ God reigns above the nations,
sitting on his holy throne.*

*⁹ The rulers of the world have
gathered together
with the people of the God of
Abraham.*

*For all the kings of the earth belong
to God.*

He is highly honored everywhere.

REFLECT

Is there a situation in which you currently feel vulnerable or defenseless? Describe it to the Lord.

What would bring you security?
What would help you feel sheltered and protected?

Which phrases in Psalm 47 remind you of God's position as ultimate protector?

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Verse 7 says God has authority and he reigns over all. Are there any ways you look to other people or other things for this power in your situation? Are you tempted to worship this Baal?

RESPOND

God loves a good round of applause. Verse one shows it. Clapping hands is an almost universal sign of approval dating back to the dawn of humanity. Some of the oldest historical references to applause used in this way are found in the scriptures.

Grab some headphones, click the following link, and get ready to use your God-given imagination.

Crowd Cheering:

<https://tinyurl.com/y8x6nu2m>

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While you hear this crowd cheering, take a few minutes to do the following:

- Imagine the nations applauding for God. Your home country and your country of ministry.
- In light of Psalm 47:1, Clap along for a bit and feel what it's like to clap so long that your hands begin to sting.
- Shout some praises like it says in verse 5: God, You're my protector! You're my security! I'm not defenseless! You have my back! You are the Lord Most High! You are highly honored everywhere!