O SHEPHERD OF ISRAEL

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a flock; thou that dwellest *between* the cherubims, shine forth. Psalms 80:1 (KJV)

I find myself in a place where I feel it is necessary to call upon The Lord. O Shepherd of Israel would you “turn us again, O God, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.” Our nation is filled with immorality; men desiring men and women desiring women. Abortion is being glorified and disguised as women’s health and women’s rights over her own body. O Thou who dwellest between the cherubims would you break our hearts over our sinful condition. It is so evident that we are not on the right path as a nation because there are so many today who have no self-control whether it be over their sexual desires; their language or their emotions. It is nothing for people to steal, kill, envy and hate. People do not even blink when one man takes another man’s wife. Marriage is no longer sacred for many people today. This is not just in the world but in our churches. Gentle Shepherd would you shine forth that we might see you and give us the desire in our hearts to follow you. We need to pasture on righteousness. Let us drink from the water that will fill us with your Spirit and goodness?

Lord, we are in a downward slide when it comes to true Godliness. There is a generation of people that seem to have no real knowledge of you. Many of our institutions of higher learning refuse to mention your name unless it is in vain. The professors of many of our universities are teaching relative truth and anything goes. The liberal agenda is now in school; in the homes; in Washington and in many of denominations and churches. Our only hope is if you will turn us again. O Shepherd you can turn us in the right direction. Surely we don’t see you as we should because we are going the wrong way. You can turn us toward you. You have done it before and you can do it again.

Many of our governmental leaders seem to only care about themselves. Grant us wisdom as we have opportunity to vote on those who are running for office. You had David in the wings waiting for your time for him to take the throne. God, show us those who you have had in waiting. May this be the time for them to take their place? May you shine forth through them? Here we stand Lord a people needing you more right now than at any other time in the history of our country. Please do not forsake us for we really, really need you?

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a flock; thou that dwellest between the cherubims, shine forth. Amen.

Yours in Christ,

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