

A Few Scriptures in Psalms and Proverbs Showing God's Concern for the Poor

Psalms 34:6

*This poor man cried and the Lord heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles.

Psalms 41:1

How blessed is he who considers the [poor]; The Lord will deliver him in a day of trouble.

Psalms 68:5, 9-10

A father of the fatherless and a judge for the widows, is God in His holy habitation.

You did shed abroad a plentiful rain, O God; You did confirm Your inheritance, when it was parched. Your creatures settled in it; You did provide in Your goodness for the poor, O God.

Psalms 72:1, 12-13

(Solomon's prayer for himself) Give the king Your judgments, O God, and Your righteousness to the king's son.

For he will deliver the needy when he cries for help, the afflicted also, and him who has no helper. He will have compassion on the poor and needy, and the lives of the needy he will save.

Psalms 107:41

But He sets the needy securely on the high away from affliction, and makes his families like a flock.

Psalms 109:31

For He stands at the right hand of the needy, to save him from those who judge his soul.

Psalms 112:1, 9

Praise the Lord! How blessed is the man who fears the Lord, . . .

He has given freely to the poor; his righteousness endures forever; his horn will be exalted in honor.

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Psalms 132:13, 15

For the Lord has chosen Zion; He has desired it for His habitation.
I will abundantly bless her provision; I will satisfy her needy with bread.

Proverbs 14:21

He who despises his neighbor sins, but happy is he who is gracious to the poor.

Proverbs 21:13

He who shuts his ear to the cry of the poor will also cry himself and not be answered.

Proverbs 22:9

He who is generous will be blessed, for he gives some of his food to the poor.

Proverbs 28:8

He who increases his wealth by interest and usury, gathers it for him who is gracious to the poor.

Proverbs 29:7

The righteous is concerned for the rights of the poor, . . .

Proverbs 31:10, 20

An excellent wife, who can find? . . .
She extends her hand to the poor; and she stretches out her hands to the needy.