

Said quietly (in a whisper)

Who am I, dust and ashes, of worm and maggot, vanity and emptiness, that I should have the privilege of standing in prayer before the great and the awesome King; high and exalted, great and awesome is His name; the King of kings, the Holy One Blessed be He; the Cause of all Causes the Primal Cause. Nevertheless, it is because of His great mercies and His kindnesses that He has mercy upon his creatures, and desires the prayers and pleas of His servants, as it is said: The LORD is near to all who call Him, to all who call Him with sincerity Psalm 145:16. He fulfills the wishes of those who fear Him; He hears their cry and delivers them Psalm 145:19. All mankind comes to You, You who hear prayer Psalm 65:3. Happy are those who dwell in Your house; they forever praise You Psalm 84:5.

Come, let us bow down and kneel, kneel before the LORD our maker Psalm 95:6.

Take my prayer as an offering of incense, my upraised hands as an evening sacrifice. O LORD, set a guard over my mouth, a watch at the door Of my lips Psalm 141:2 - 3. O LORD, open my lips, and let my mouth declare Your praise Psalm 51:10. My mouth shall utter the praise of the LORD, and all creatures shall bless His holy name forever and ever Psalm 145:21.

O LORD, hear my prayer; let my cry come before You Psalm 102:2.

Send forth Your light and Your truth; they will lead me; they will bring me to Your holy mountain, to Your dwelling-place Psalm 43:3.