A Psalm Of National Anger

Psalm 83

1 A psalm of Asaf
2 God, do not You be silent.
   Do not be still.
   Do not be quiet, God.
3 For, indeed, Your enemies roar.
   Those who hate You have lifted up their heads.
4 They connive in secret against Your people.
   They take counsel against Your treasure.
5 They say, “Let us go and wipe them out from being a nation
   so that the name of Israel never be mentioned again.”
6 Indeed they have put their hearts together.
   They have cut a covenant even against You. —
7 The tents of Syrians and the Saudis,
   Yemenis and Iranians,
8 Hamas, Islamic Jihad, and Tanzim,
   the Palestinian Authority and the dwellers of Lebanon.
9 The Iraqis too have joined them;
   they are the arm of the sons of Lot. Selah.
10 Do to them as You did to Midian,
    to Sisera and Yavin at the stream of Kishon.
11 They were destroyed at Ein Dor.
    They were dung for the land.
12 Make their leaders as ‘Orev and Ze’ev.
    all their chiefs as Zevah and Tsalmuna’.
13 For they have said,
    “We shall inherit for ourselves the gardens of God.”
14 Oh, God
   make them as tumbleweed!
as straw blown before the wind!
15 As fire burns a forest,
   as flames consume a mountainside,
16 so should You pursue them in Your windstorm
   and confound them in Your tempest!
17 Fill their faces with humiliation
   so that they seek Your Name, Lord!

18 Let them be ashamed and confounded forever!
   And let them be disgraced and destroyed!
19 So that they know that You, Your Name, Lord, are alone,
   far above all creation.