

Israel's Redeemer and Remnant Psalm 1 - 41

Revelation of the Divine Ruler Psalm 1 - 8

Psalm 1 / Road To Riches / Pathway To Prosperity

Introduction - Two Groups [1] Blessed [2] Blighted

We should make God's -----

[1] WAY our supreme aim

[2] WORD our absolute law

[3] WILL our one desire

[I] THE BLESSED MAN / THE GODLY MAN V 1 - 3

1. The Conduct To Be Manifest - His Path....

He is separated from the world 1:1

A. He does not listen to the ungodly man

His counsel comes from the right source

B. He does not linger with the sinful man

His companions come from the right source

C. He does not laugh at the scornful man

His course comes from the right way

2. The Choice To Be Made - His Pleasure

He is satisfied with the Word 1:2

A. God's Word has captured his full affection

[a] His delight in the Word "delight"

[b] His desire for the Word "meditate"

[c] His devotion to the "Word" "day & night"

B. God's Word has claimed his full attention

3. The Character To Be Molded - His Prosperity

He is situated by the waters 1:3

A. Strength B. Steadfastness C. Stability

1. Unfading Foliage 2. Unfailing fruit

Consider his 1. Prominence 2. Permanence

3. Position 4. Productivity

5. Propriety 6. Perpetuity

7. Prosperity

[II] THE BLIGHTED MAN / THE GODLESS MAN V 4-6

1. He is Driven / Conquered v - 4

2. He is Doomed / Condemned v - 5

3. He is Damned / Consigned v - 6

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Psalm 2A - Psalm 2:1-6

The Violence of Disobedience in The Wicked

As Prophet He is The Conveyor of God's Word

As Priest He is The Conductor of God's Worship

As Potentate He is The Controller of God's World

[I] REVOLT OF THE NATIONS 2:1-3

God's Guilty Subjects / An Angry Conspiracy

1. The Foes Who Resent The King

A. The Fact of Rebellion

B. The Formality of their Rebellion

2. The Fierceness of their Opposition

A. The Force of their Rebellion

B. The Fury of their Rebellion

This form of rebellion was / [is]

[a] Determined [b] Deliberate

[c] Defying [d] Definite

3. The Folly of their Revolution

A. The Focus of Rebellion

B. The Foolishness of their Revolting

[a] Unreasonable [b] Useless

[c] Unsuccessful

[1] Against the Person of God

[2] Against the Precepts of God

[II] REACTION OF THE LORD 2:4-6

God's Great Scorn / An Awful Condemnation

1. He Speaks in Derision 2:4

His laughter / It is comical to Him

2. He Speaks in Displeasure 2:5

God shows His displeasure

3. He Speaks in Determination 2:6 [His disclosure]

His Anointed has been Appointed He will not be

Disappointed / For all of man's technology and talents /

For all of science and skill - Man still

Remains mere mortal and compared to God ??

No wonder God laughs!

Psalm 2:7-12

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Psalm 2:7-12 The Victory of Exaltation of The Son

[I] THE REIGN OF THE KING 2:7-9

The Frustrator of Rebellion

God's Glorious Son / An Almighty Conqueror

1. His Sonship 2:7 A Unique Relation

A. Jesus was eternally the Son of God

B. Jesus was incarnately the Son of God

C. Jesus was manifestly the Son of God

D. Jesus was gloriously the Son of God

2. His Sovereignty 2:8 Universal Possession

He is sovereign

3. His Severity 2:9 Unsparing Administration

Certain and Complete Destruction for all who resist and revolt

Sovereign and Successful Deliverance for all who repent and receive

[II] THE RECOMMENDATION TO THE NATIONS 2:10-12

The Forgiveness for Rebellion

God's Gracious Spirit / An Appealing Conclusion

1. The Counsel of the King ought to be heeded 2:10

Urged to pause long enough to think

A. Take warning

B. Withdraw from impossible situations

2. Our Conduct before the King ought to be holy 2:11

3. Our Conversation to the King ought to bring happiness

2:12 An invitation is extended and

Blessings await those who will respond

Ps 3: Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

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Psalm 3 Guarded by God / God is our Guard

A time in the life of David

[I] DAVID'S TRIAL 2:1-2 The Problem

The Pressure of David's Foes

1. The increase of these foes 2:1a

2. The insurrection of these foes [agitation] 2:1b

3. The inference of these foes [supposition] 2:2

A. His enemies just keep multiplying

B. They just keep manipulating

[II] DAVID'S TRUST 2:3-4 The Protection

The Protecting of David's God

1. David's Assurance in God

A. God is his shield

B. God is his glory

C. God is his uplifter

D. God is his refuge

2. David's Appeal to God

A. His confidence in prayer

B. His control in prayer

C. His conviction in prayer

[III] DAVID'S TRIUMPH 2:5-8 The Prospect

The Prosperity of David's Life

1. The Peace 2:5-6

Supreme peace coming from

A. Faithfulness 2:5

B. Fearlessness 2:6

2. The Power 2:7

Superior power - Coming from

A. Plea / Arise O Lord save me

B. Personal / O MY God

3. The Pardon 2:8

Saviour's pardon / bringing forth

A. Hope B. Happiness

Ps 4: / Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

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Psalm 4 Wholesome Words / Spectacular Speech

This Psalm speaks to all of us / Spoke to those

[a] Penitent Sinners [b] Pilgrim Saints

There are notes of sadness found here

There are notes of gladness found here

There are notes of madness found here

Three classifications of people dealt with

**[I] There are Words of Encouragement to the Believing
4:1,2,8**

1. God set him free / Personal Salvation 4:1

A. The boldness of David's faith

B. The blessings of remembered mercy

C. The burden of present wickedness

2. God made him glad / Practical Salvation

A. From trusting his promises

B. From depending on his presence

C. From leaning upon his power

3. God made him safe / Purposed Salvation

A. David's confidence

B. David's conviction

C. David's contentment

[II] There are Words of rebuke to the Unbelieving

1. Reminders of offerings for sin

A. The burnt offering / Speaks of Christ's Passion

B. The meal offering / Speaks of Christ's Perfection

C. The peace offering / Speaks of Christ's Presence

Personal Godliness will result in personal goodness

2. Restraints about opportunities to sin

The people guilty of sinning areA. Practicing ridicule

B. Loving vanity C. Seeking falsehood

[III] There are Words of Entreaty to the Anxious

1. Stand 4:4 / 2. Speak 4:4 / 3. Sacrifice 4:5

A. There is the tragedy of a joyless life 4:6

B. There is the triumph of a joyful life 4:7

Perfect peace that becomes personal peace....

Psalm 5: / Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

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**Psalm 5 Praying with Purpose / Purposeful Prayer
Petitions**

[I] DAVID ASKS GOD TO LISTEN 5:1-7

David Desires to Discuss

1. The Situation 5:1-4 He knows that

A. God is a hearing God 5:1-3

[1] Holy Boldness helps

[2] Heavy Burdens help

[3] Harmony in the beginning helps

B. God is a holy God 5:4

2. The Sinner 5:5-6

A. The sinner has no foundation

B. The sinner has no future

[II] DAVID ASKS GOD TO LEAD 5:8-9

1. Entreaty is found in this Psalm

A. The cry of prayer 5:1-3

B. The consuming power 5:4-6

C. The consciousness of pardon 5:7-8

2. Enthusiasm is found

A. Counsel of pride 5:9-10

B. Chorus of praise 5:11

C. Crown of preservation

3. Expectation found here

A. This prayer is personal

B. It is passionate / Earnest praying leads

C. It is pointed / to effective practice

D. It is prospective

[III] DAVID ASKS GOD TO LEGISLATE 5:10-12

1. The destruction of the rebel 5:10

2. The delight of the redeemed 5:11-12

A. No foe can daunt him 5:11

B. No fear can haunt him 5:12

[1] God is his shepherd

[2] God is his shield

[3] God is his song

Psalm 6:1-7 / Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

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Psalm 6:1-10 From Trouble to Triumph Through Prayer

Psalm 6:1-7 deals with Trouble

Psalm 6:8-10 Deals with Triumph

[I] AN APPEAL OF ANXIETY 6:1-5

The Sense of Divine Displeasure

1. God's displeasure against sin

A. Chastisement for perfecting

B. Condemnation for punishing

C. Correction for purifying

2. David's desire for strength

A. In the spiritual sense

B. In the physical sense

C. In the moral sense

[II] AN ANGUISH WHICH IS AWFUL 6:6-7

Scourge of Dangerous Disease

1. His plight

A. Weariness sets in

B. Weeping follows

C. Wasting then comes

2. His plea

A. For the showing of mercy

B. For the sparing of life

C. For the strength of God

[III] THE ANSWER OF ASSURANCE 6:8-10

Scoffing's of Disgusting Despisers

1. Conditions

A. Perpetrators are admonished

B. Prayers are answered

C. Persecutors are ashamed

2. Confidence

A. His fears are stilled

B. His foes are stopped

C. His faith is strengthened

Ps Ch 7:1-10 / Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

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Psalm 7 The Cry From A Slandered Saint

Psalm 7:1-10 The Justifier of The Believing One

[I] DAVID'S DEVOTION 7:1-5

1. David is Trusting in 7:1-2

He Trusts and Prays

A. His Extreme Need / B. His Entreaty for Rescue

C, His Expression of Confidence

David Confesses his Condition

2. David is Triumphant in 7:3-5

A. His positive assurance of intercession

David repudiates the charge of

[1] Duplicity [2] Depravity

B. His personal ascription of innocence

But Lord I have done the opposite

[II] DAVID'S DESIRE 7:6-8

His Desire for seeing God judge.....

1. The Sinner 7:6-7

Arise / Awake - God come in anger / Already decided

2. The Saint / Defend us God / Our problems persist

[III] DAVID'S DEFENSE 7:8-10

God's judgments in principle...

The righteous should leave their defense in the hands of God

Those who invoke judgment must also submit to judgment

Wickedness works to its own undoing

Our pattern prayer

1. Recognize God has a purpose

2. Realize its not always our purpose

3. Respond to God's guidance in accordance to His purpose

Perfect peace comes from personal permission of His purpose in and through our lives.

Ps 7:11-17 / Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

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Psalm 7 The Cry of a Slandered Saint

Psalm 7:11-17 The Judgment of the Sinning One

[I] DAVID'S DISCERNMENT 7:11-16

1. Sin in its peril is like a bondage 7:11-13

A. Divine admonition 7:11

God is angry with the wicked

A constant - continual nature

B. Divine amnesty 7:12

Repentance brings restoration

C. Divine arsenal 7:12-13

God's armory is ready for battle / We have

{1} Application for justice 7:6-8

{2} Anticipation of justice 7:9-10

{3} Administration of justice 7:11-13

2. Sin in its process is like a birth 7:14

The father of sin may be Satan and IS

But the mother of sin is self -

It is born within.....

3. Sin in its plan is like a bait 7:15

A. The plot is devised

B. The pit is dug

This is not in a moment of pressure nor passion

But pre-meditated - planned.....

**This is one who considers the best way to ruin
or revile another AND then carries out that plan**

4. Sin in its punishment is like a boomerang 7:16

It always comes back to haunt you

[II] DAVID'S DELIGHT 7:17

Joy for the Saint God is the God of....

1. Covenant His Promises

2. Control His Power

3. Circumstances His Praise

Ps 8: / Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

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Psalm 8 The Climax of a Champion / Crown of Creation

[I] TEACHING AND TRAINING 8:1-3

1. The position of the Lord 8:1

A. The extent of the Lord

B. The excellence of the Lord

2. The providence of the Lord 8:2-3

A. Opposition to His providence

B. Outcome of His providence

[II] TESTIMONY AND TESTING 8:4-8

1. The power of the Lord HE is

A. Revealed as conqueror

B. Recognized as creator

2. The presence of the Lord It is a mystery

A. That He would come to us as He does

He is more interested in people than in places

He is interested in us more than the universe

B. That He would care for us as He does

[1] Consideration [2] Incarnation

[3] Regeneration [4] Glorification

[III] TRUTH AND TRIUMPH

1. The purpose of the Lord

A. The mystery of man

B. The mastery of man

2. The portion of the Lord

A. Associated with repentance

B. Activating reverence

Behaviour follows Belief / Reverence follows Repentance

Ps 9:1-8 / Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

9 - 15 Response of the Despised Remnant

Psalm 9: Jehovah is Judge

Psalm 9:1-8 The Praise and Power of God's Presence

[I] INTENTION / The Delight of The Prophet 9:1-2

Praise for The Person of God

1. Praise the Lord freely "I will"

A. For His Words

B. For His Works

2. Praise the Lord fully

Praising in spite of problems

Singing in spite of suffering

[II] INTERVENTION / The Destruction of The Beast 9:3-6

**His presence brings peace to His people BUT
panic to His foes**

1. The Lord's presence 9:3-4

A. The time of His throne / Present Tense

B. The thrill of His throne / Position

God is faithful to His own

2. The Lord's power 9:5-6

God is rant to those who are not His

His destruction will be

A. Personal

B. Permanent

C. Proper

[1] Those who trust are redeemed

[2] Those who reject are ruined

[III] INTIMATION / The Dawn of His Reign 9:7-8

1. The Lord's invincible majesty 9:7

2. The Lord's inviolate ministry 9:8

Expectation of justice and fairness

Equality for all / The Safety of The Saints

Ps 9:9-20 / Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

Psalm 9-15 Response of The Despised Remnant

Psalm 9 Jehovah is Judge

**Psalm 9:9-20 The Preparation and Prevailing Over
The Provokers of God**

The Sorrows of Sinners

[I] THE DURATION OF TERROR 9:9-14

1. The Place of Refuge 9:9-10 Safety

2. The Period of Rejoicing 9:11 Singing

3. The Process of Retribution 9:12-14 Sorrow

A. Confidence that is Certain

B. Destitution and Death

C. Destruction and Despair

D. Ceasing of Conditions

[II] THE DAY OF THE LORD 9:15-18

The Tribulation will come to an end

This is something that needs to be

1. Perceived 9:15-16

Whatsoever one sows that shall they reap

This is a law of truth for the soil

And also for the soul

Justice may not always be obvious nor swift

But it will always come sooner or later

2. Proclaimed 9:17-18

God's attitude toward the nations 9:17

God's attitude toward the needy 9:18

Poverty abounds today but one day

it will be abolished

[III] THE DOCTRINE OF THIS PSALM 9:19-20

Today there is possibly more arrogance

More resentment / than ever before

More retaliation than in history

Man may have become very CLEVER

CRAFTY - CRUEL But still man simply

Remains mortal man -

But Our God Is God and will be forever...

Ps 10:1-11 / Israel's Redeemer and Remnant
Psalm 9-15 Response of The Despised Remnant
Psalm 10 The Ways of The Wicked
Psalm 10:1-11 The Lord is Concealed
When The Wicked Flourish / The Wicked Man's
[I] INFIDELITY 10:1-3 Notice his
1. Advantages / Seeming Blessings 10:1
In Chastisement God seems far away
2. Arrogance / Sinful Behaviour 10:2
Pride -/- His character and career
In pride the wicked persecute
3. Attitude / Scornful Boasts 10:3
Exposed others and boasts of it
[II] INDIFFERENCE 10:4-6
1. Stubborn Bias 10:4
2. Spiritual Blindness 10:5
3. Swelling Bigotry 10:6
A. Self Confident B. Self Secure
[III] INDIGNATION 10:7-11
1. Spoken Blasphemies 10:7
A. His reckless character has resulted in
B. His ruthless conduct due to
C. His ravaging cause
2. Secret Brutalities 10:8-10
A. Lawless bandit His cruelty
B. Lurking beast His confidence
C. Luring bully His cunning
3. Sin's Blindness 10:11
Man without God becomes nothing more
than a blinded beast

Ps 10:12-18 / Israel's Redeemer and Remnant
Psalm 9-15 Response of The Despised Remnant
Psalm 10 The Ways of The Wicked
Psalm 10:12-18 The Lord is Crowned / Intercession
[I] WHAT THE WICKED FORGET 10:12-15
The Lord is Concerned
1. God's eye is on the wicked
A. The wicked man's scornfulness 10:12-13
Ridicule - Persistent in unbelief
B. The wicked man's spitefulness 10:14
Resentment - Despising - Detesting
and Exploiting all weakness
C. The wicked man's sinfulness 10:15
Rejection - Promoting evil
2. God's eye is on the willing
A. All those who are willing to respond
B. All those who are willing to repent
C. All those who are willing to receive
[II] WHAT THE WICKED FACE 10:16-18
The Lord is crowned
1. The Lord will subdue the heathen 10:16
He will reign as King
2. The Lord will support the helpless 10:17-18
[III] WHAT THE WICKED WILL FIND
They will discover God's truth
The truth of His coming
1. His coming is sure He will return
2. His coming shall be sudden
3. His coming will be selective For His own....

Ps11 / Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

Psalm 9-15 Response of The Despised Remnant

Psalm 11 The Triumph of Trust

1 - Delight in The Lord v 1

2 - Dwelling of The Lord v 4a

3 - Discovery by The Lord v 4b-5

4 - Destruction from The Lord v 6

5 - Devotedness to The Lord v 7

[I] CONFESSIO / The Fearlessness of Faith

Fear is Conquered 11:1-3

Intimidation

1. David's Determined Trust 11:1

2. David's Developing Troubles 11:2-3

A. Answer of the Psalmist

B. Advice of his Friends

[II] CONFIDENCE / The Foundation of Faith

Facts are Considered 11:4-6

Interrogation

1. The Authority of God

Where The Lord Sits 11:4a

2. The Administrator of Justice

What The Lord Sees 11:4b-5

3. The Action of The Lord

What The Lord Sends 11:6

[III] CONCLUSION / The Fruit of Faith

Faith is Confessed 11:7

Inspiration

1. Attribute of Righteousness

2. Approval of Righteousness

The Righteous have

A. Taken Refuge in God Past

B. Are Enduring Testing Present

C. Shall Behold His Face Prospect

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Psalm 9-15 Response of The Despised Remnant

Psalm 12: Prayer and Promise

The Deceitful Darkness of Depravity / Three Voices Here

1. The Saint 12:1-3

2. The Sinner 12:4

3. The Saviour 12:5

The Words of The Wicked are.....

A. Flattering B. False C. Fanatical

The Words of The Lord are.....

A. Pure B. Proven C. Preserved

[I] Problems of a fierce nature bring out the appeal of David

Notice 12:1-4

1. The man of guile is gone from the earth 12:1

2. The man of guile is great 12:2-4

A. His deceitfulness 12:2

B. His downfall 12:3

C. His defiance 12:4

[II] The Prayer of a fervent nature brings out the assurance

of David Notice 12:5-6

1. The greatness of this assurance

2. The guarantee of this assurance

3. The grace of this assurance

[III] The Promise from a faithful nature provides the armor of David Notice 12:7-8

1. The nature of his armor 12:7

2. The need for his armor 12:8

The perfection of the Word and The preservation of The righteous in spite of The prevailing corruption!

Psalm 13 / Israel's Redeemer and Remnant 1-41
 Psalm 9-15 Response of The Despised Remnant
 Psalm 13 Singing succeeds Sighing
 From sighing to singing
 A. A sorrowful Heart 13:1-2
 B. A sleeping Heart 13:3-4
 C. A singing Heart 13:5-6
 [I] SORROW 13:1-2
 The expression of pain at apparent delay
 1. The Seeming Abandonment 13:1
 It seemed as though God had
 A. Forgotten about him
 B. Forsaken him
 2. The Sorrowful Abasement 13:2
 He has been brought low by his
 A. Inner Feelings / Feelings vs Faith
 B. Intense Foes / Enemies !!
 [II] SUPPLICATION 13:3-4
 The entreaty of prayer in acute distress
 He seems to be trying to inform God that he is
 1. Overwhelmed by his emotions 13:3
 2. Overcome by his enemies
 Prayer is always
 A. Essential but not always enlightening
 to The Lord / He already knows
 B. Experiential but not always experienced
 in our lives / But always possible
 [III] SONG 13:5-6
 The exultation of praise in anticipated
 deliverance / He can now sing because of
 1. God's Salvation 13:5
 Salvation through grace / not works -
 2. God's Sufficiency 13:6
 God not only provides salvation for us
 through His grace / But Also
 God produces sufficiency for us through
 that same grace

Psalm 14 / Israel's Redeemer and Remnant 1-41
 Psalm 9-15 Response of The Despised Remnant
 Psalm 14 The Ruined Race / Man's Depravity
 [I] SENSUALITY / HUMAN CORRUPTION 14:1-3
 Universal Contamination
 1. Accuse
 A. The Case Presented / Man is guilty
 B. The Cause Presented / Man is a sinner by nature
 [a] In his innermost being
 [b] In his iniquitous behavior
 2. Attest
 A. The Called Witness
 [a] The Person [b] The Perception
 B. The Conviction Witnessed
 [a] The Conclusion Reached / Conviction because of his
 [1] Departure in belief / { doctrine departure }
 [2] Defilement of body
 [3] Depravity in background { depraved character }
 [b] The Condition Realized / Dead in sins
 [II] STRUGGLES / HEARTLESS OPPRESSION 14:4-6
 Unholy Conduct
 1. The Summation of man
 A. Ignorance Doubts
 B. Iniquity Doctrine
 2. The Situation of man
 A. His intolerance
 B. His indifference
 [III] SATISFACTION / HOLY ASPIRATION 14:7
 Unmistakable Conclusion
 1. Sudden and Unexpected
 A. Hope comes breaking through
 B. Help is on its way
 C. Happiness surfaces above circumstances
 D. Harmony develops within God's people
 2. Satisfying and Un-explainable
 Satisfaction that goes beyond explanation
 A Peace that passes man's comprehension..

Psalm 15 / Israel's Redeemer and Remnant 1-41
Psalm 9-15 Response of The Despised Remnant
Psalm 15 Standard for Saints / Fellowship Fitness
Security is Recognized / Sincerity is Required
Service is Rendered
[I] A PRAYER IS IMPLIED 15:1
The Fervent Appeal Involves David's Worship
1. Residence
A. Location / Place of God's Residence
Tabernacle ----- Hill
B. Length / Permanence of God's Residence
Abide ----- Dwell
2. Reverence
A. Phony Worship can seem to be serious / solemn
B. Permanent Worship is true and tested
It is either TRUE or FALSE
[II] A PATTERN IS INDICATED 15:2-4
The Fitting Answer Includes David's Walk
1. His Workings
A. Perfect Walk / Uprightly / Maturity
B. Practical Work / Righteous / Ministry
C. Positive Word / Truth / Message
2. His Wordings
A. Secret Words
B. Spoken Words
[1] Restrained 15:3a
[2] Righteous 15:3b
[3] Respectful 15:4a
[4] Reliable 15:4b
[III] A PROMISE IS IMPARTED 15:5
The Final Assurance Indicates David's Ways
1. Fair Ways
2. Fixed Ways In all of his Worship
In all of his Walk In all of his Ways

Psalm # 21 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant
Psalm 16 - 41 Record of The Divine Redeemer
Psalm 16 Pilgrim's path
[I] The Practice and Preservation of The Godly Man
Psalm 16:1-4
1. Living in the Lord's Presence 16:1-2
2. Living for the Lord's People 16:3
3. Living by the Lord's Precepts 16:4
A. Prayer of Faith
B. Profession of Faith
C. Partnership of Faith
D. Pledge of Faith
[II] The Position and Portion of The Godly Man
Psalm 16:5-8
1. In The Lord Communion
A. Provision of Faith 16:5a
B. Possessions of Faith 16:5b
2. In The Land Contentment
A. Proceeds of Faith 16:6
B. Praise of Faith 16:7
3. In This Life Confidence
A. Purpose of Heart 16:8a
B. Presence of Power 16:8b
Vision and Victory
Compassion and Communion
Standing and Stability
[III] The Potential and Prospect of The Godly Man
Psalm 16:9-11
1. Comfort 16:9
A. Preversion of the judge / B. Preservation from death
2. Confidence 16:10
A. Protection in Life / B. Pathway of Life
3. Conviction 16:11
A. Perfection of Bliss / B. Permanence of Pleasures
[a] Pleasures of sin for the wicked Heb 11:25
[b] Pleasures of life for the worldly Luke 8:14
[c] Pleasures for evermore for the wise Psalm 16:11

Psalm # 22 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

Psalm 16 - 41 Record of The Divine Redeemer

Psalm 17 Prayer for Protection / Preaching Prayer

Gethsemane

[I] LORD / HEAR ME 17:1-6

1. The Petition for Justice / Lord examine me 17:1-2

2. The Purpose in Restraint / Lord exonerate me 17:3-4

Lord You Know My.....

A. Wishes 17:3a

B. Words 17:3b

C. Works 17:4

3. The Prayer for Guidance / Lord exercise me 17:5-6

[II] LORD / HIDE ME 17:7-9

Lord You Know How To Be

1. Merciful 17:7a

2. Mighty 17:7b

3. Moved 17:8-9

[III] LORD / HELP ME 17:10-15

1. Passion for Defense 17:10-12

2. Plea for Deliverance 17:13-14

3. Prediction of Delight 17:15

Lord I Am Going To....

A. Tell You about my circumstances 17:10-12

B. Trust You in my circumstances 17:13-15

[a] Lord see me 17:10-12

[b] Lord save me 17:13-14

[c] Lord satisfy me 17:15

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Psalm # 23 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

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Psalm 18 # 1 v 1-19 Contented Worshipper

Personal Praise

God is our Defender and Deliverer / Through Christ we are -

[a] Saved [b] Safe [c] Steadfast

[I] EXPRESSIONS OF DIVINE PRAISE 18:1-6

Trusting Person 18:1-3

Travailing Person 18:4-6

1. Praise

A. Stability Rock

B. Security Fortress

C. Saviour Deliverer

D. Situation Trust

E. Strength

F. Shield High Tower

2. Prayer

A. Prayer Resolved 18:3

B. Praise Rendered

C. Protection Realized

[II] EXPERIENCE OF DIVINE POWER 18:7-19

We saw David's Peril in Verses 4 - 5

His Prayer v - 6

His Appeal 6a

His Assurance 6b

Now God's Answer 7-19

Here it's God's Protection

David's enemies / his foes are three fold

1. Private Saul / 2. Public Sin

3. Personal Satan

A. God sends us into the storms

B. God sees us in the storms

C. God saves us in the storms God delivers

**His persecuted saints from perilous straits
into perfect security**

Not always personal safety but security

Psalm # 24 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

Psalm 16-41 Record of The Divine Redeemer

**Psalm 18:20-50 God's Gentleness / Gracefulness /
Goodness**

[I] CONFIDENT WARRIOR 18:20-31

1. Example of Divine Procedure 18:20-24

His Authority

A. The Cause of The Storm 18:4-6 / Strong Appeal

B. The Coming of The Storm 18:7-15 / Sudden Advent

C. The Consequence of The Storm 18:16-19

Satisfying Answer

2. Essence of Divine Protection 18:25-27

His Activity

A. The Providential side of a victorious life 18:7-19

B. The Personal side of a victorious life 18:20-45

3. Explanation of Divine Principles 18:25-31

His Ability

A. Pitiful Man 18:25a

B. Perfect Man 18:25b

C. Pure Man 18:26a

D. Perverse Man 18:26b

Our attitude determines God's activity

and His activity is the result of His ability

His Way / Work / Word is perfect

[II] CONVINCING WITNESS 18:32-50

1. The Example of Divine Processes 18:32-45

A. Equipment for victory 18:32-36

Reclaiming the kingdom for God

Specific acknowledgment

B. Experience of victory 18:37-42

Ruling the kingdom with God

Surpassing achievement

C. Effect of victory 18:43-45

Restoring the kingdom to God

Special activity

2. Exaltation of Divine Preservation 18:46-50

Psalm 1 - 42 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

Psalm 16 - 41 Record of The Divine Redeemer

Psalm 19 God's Glory Declared

[I] GOD REVEALS HIMSELF / THE GLORY OF GOD

Psalm 19: 1 - 6

He Speaks in the Skies / His Word is Perfect

No Sun / Darkness / Desolation / Death

His Word is [1] Complete [2] Convincing

[3] Correct [4] Clear [5] Clean

[6] Consistent

1. It is an unmistakable witness 19:1

2. It is an untiring witness 19:2

3. It is an understandable witness 19:3-6

[II] GOD REVEALS HIMSELF / THE GOODNESS

OF GOD Psalm 19:7-11

He Speaks in the Scriptures / His Word is Precious

1. It Challenges us 19:7

A. Powerful Challenge

B. Plain Challenge

2. It Cheers us 19:8

A. Pleasing

B. Pure

3. It Changes us 19:9-11

A. Permanent

B. Precious

C. Preventive

[III] GOD REVEALS HIMSELF / THE GRACE OF GOD

Psalm 19:12-14

He Speaks in the Soul / His Word is Powerful

1. It Cleanses us It keeps us from folly

2. It Corrects us It keeps us in fellowship

Grace to Purge / Preserve / Perfect

His world reveals His glory and greatness

His word reveals His praise and profit

His work reveals His purifying and preserving

Behold and Believe

Wonder and Worship

Psalm 1-41 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

Psalm 16-41 Record of The Divine Redeemer

Psalm 20 Blessings Before Battle

[I] AN ADDRESS TO THE KING 20:1-5

The People Desire Help From Their Leaders

They want him to be one who is.....

1. Looking to God 20:1-3

A. Encouraging Fact 20:1 / B. Energizing Force 20:2

His Divine Benediction / Our Dutiful Response

[1] Prayerfully in touch with God 20:1

[2] Powerfully in touch with God 20:2

[3] Properly in touch with God 20:3

2. Listening to God 20:4-5 / So That he Might

A. Plan the Battle 20:4 / B. Pursue the Battle 20:5

[II] AN ASSURANCE OF THE KING 20:6-8

The Prince Desires Help From The Lord

1. The Truth He Expresses 20:6

2. The Trust He Exercises 20:7

3. The Triumph He Expected 20:8

If we desire an expectation of triumph we must follow this process

Truth implanted in our hearts followed by trust

in Christ yields triumph

A. Enduring Faith 20:7

[1] Deliverance from our foes through the name

[2] Defiance of our foes in the name

[3] Defense against our foes by the name

B. Enchained Foe 20:8

God Loved Us / Loosed Us / and

Lifts Us

[III] AN APPEAL FOR THE KING 20:9

The Psalmist Desires Help For His Life

1. Total Dedication of Self

2. Total Deliverance from Sin

3. Total Dependence on Saviour

Psalm # 27 / Psalm 21

Psalm 1 - 41 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

Psalm 16-41 Record of The Divine Redeemer

Psalm 21 Blessing After Battle

Christian Warfare and Christian Worship go Together

[I] THE SECRET OF THE KINGS STRENGTH 21:1-7

Expositional

1. The Secret is Disclosed 21:1-2

A. Praise Because of Salvation 21:1

The publication of strength

B. Prayer Brings Satisfaction 21:2

The proof of satisfaction

2. The Secret is Discussed 21:3-7

The King's secret strength results in

A. Provision Bestows Security

B. God's Sovereignty is Beheld

C. Salvation is the Benefit

3. The Secret Strength can be Discovered

It is available for our lives

[II] THE SUFFICIENCY OF THE KINGS STRENGTH

Experiential 21:8-13

1. Punishment Breaks into Sorrow 21:8-12

A Kingdom Based on the Power of God

A. God's Power to Discover His Foes 21:8

B. God's Power to Destroy His Foes 21:9-12

[1] In a passionate way

[2] In a permanent way

[3] In a purposeful way

2. Power Blossoms into Song 21:13

A Kingdom Based on the Preeminence of God

3. Praise Blesses Our Souls

We must Involve Ourselves in Praise

Warfare is a Reality / Worship is a Right

Psalm 1 - 41 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant
Psalm 16-41 Record of The Divine Redeemer
Psalm 22:1-21 From Gloom to Glory
The Cry of Despair Messiah's Grief
His Agonizing Prayer Woe's Emphasized
The Terrible Reality of Calvary / Its Pain and Prayer
Forsaken by Sovereignty Scorned by Sinners
Heartbroken by Sin Pierced by Soldiers
Forsakenness 22:1-2 Fellowship 22:3
Faithfulness 22:4-5 Fate 22:6-8
Degradation v 6-7 Dependence v 8
[I] ABANDONED BY THE LORD 22:1-6
1. The Gulf Between Christ and.....
A. The holiness of God 22:1-3
[1] Our Approach / Prayer 22:1-2
[2] Our Assurance / Power 22:3
B. The holiest of men 22:4-6
[1] The argument 22:4-5
[2] The acknowledgment 22:6
[II] ABHORED BY MEN 22:7-18
1. The Contempt of Men 22:7-10
Their Ridicule v 6-8
2. The Cruelty of Men 22:11-17
Their Rage v 12-13
3. The Callousness of Men 22:18
Their Ruthlessness v 16-18
[III] ABUSED BY SATAN 22:19-21
1. The Reproached One v 6
2. The Rejected One v 7
3. The Requesting One v 19
A. Destruction v 1
B. Darkness v 2
C. Derision v 7
but D. Deliverance v 20
Soul - Suffering / The Skill of the enemy
Satan's Presence and Power But He that is within us is
Greater / The Holy Spirit!

Psalm # 29 / Psalm 22 - 2
Psalm 1 - 41 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant
Psalm 16 - 41 Record of The Divine Redeemer
Psalm 22:22-31 The Gloom of The Crown
Found in the Gloom of The Cross
Messiah's Glory / Worship Emphasized
His Abounding Praise / Praise and Promise
The Consolation of Deliverance
The Tremendous Results of Calvary
Prayer gives way to Praise
Sorrow is accompanied by Song
[I] THE LORD AS PRIEST 22:22-26
1. The Promise / His Resurrection 22:22
A. The risen one 22:22a
B. The rejoicing one 22:22b
What a declaration
2. The Praise / His Return 22:23-26
A. His return is sure
B. His return will be sudden
C. His return will be superlative
[II] THE LORD AS PRINCE 22:27-31
1. The Power 22:28
He is acclaimed as king 22:27-29
A. Converting 22:27
B. Controlling 22:28
C. Contending 22:29
2. The Proclamation 22:30-31
He is proclaimed as king
A. The ruling one 22:28-30
B. The righteous one 22:31
Declaration turns to Dominion /
All Powerful One for us
Its Our Dependence

Psalm # 30 / Psalm 23

Psalm 1 - 41 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant
Psalm 16 - 41 Record of The Divine Redeemer
Psalm 23 The Shepherd Song
Psalm 22 The Shepherd Crucified on Cross
Psalm 23 The Shepherd Caring for Sheep
Psalm 24 The Shepherd Coming in Clouds

[I] THE SECRET OF HAPPY LIFE 23:1-3

My Supplies / The happy life has its

- 1. Roots in a magnificent Spiritual Relationship**
- 2. Results in a magnificent Spiritual Reality**

The Good Shepherd

A. Shares His Life With Us / B. Gives His Life For Us
C. Puts His Life In Us / [a] A Relationship / My Shepherd
[b] A Relief -/ [c] A Refreshment
[d] A Renewal [e] A Regulation

[II] THE SECRET OF A HAPPY DEATH 23:4-5

My Safety - [a] The Tomb [b] The Table / In Verse # 4

- 1. Contentment in Our Life**

The assurance of the Lord's Presence and
His Protection

- 2. Courage for Our Life / 3. Consolation through His**
Life

- 4. Comfort for Living and Preparation for Dying**

In Verse # 5 We Find

- 1. Prosperity / May not be material prosperity**
- 2. Purity / Found in His righteousness**
- 3. Plentifulness / Not in self but in Him**

[III] THE SECRET OF A HAPPY STERNITY 23:6

God Takes Care of Us He takes Care of Our

- 1. Frality 2. Foes 3. Future**

Preservation Prospect Permanence / IN HIM I FIND

- 1. Rest v 2 2. Refreshment v 2**
- 3. Restoration v 3 4. Regulation v 3**
- 5. Rescue v 4 6. Reassurance v 4**
- 7. Reception v 4 8. Rejoicing v 5**
- 9. Retainers v 6 10. Residence v 6**

Psalm # 23 / Psalm 23:4

Psalm 1 - 41 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant
Psalm 16 - 41 Record of The Divine Redeemer
Psalm 23 The Shepherd Song
Psalm 23: 4 Journey of Life

The Psalmist Understood some things about Life

Begin a life in verse # 1 with God as Shepherd

And end life in verse # 6 In The House of The Lord

Connects to John 14:1-6 / Our Mansions

In the 23 rd Psalm We Find.....

- [1] Rest [2] Refreshment [3] Restoration**
- [4] Regulation [5] Rescue [6] Reassurance**
- [7] Reception [8] Rejoicing**
- [9] Retainers [10] Residence**

This Journey of Life begun in verse # 1 and

Ending in verse # 6 has verse # 4 between

This verse contains 5 important concepts -----

[1] THE PATHWAY ON WHICH WE TRAVEL

"the valley of the shadow od death"

A DREADED PATHWAY

[2] THE PROSPECT THAT IS BEFORE US

"through" Never left in / OUT OF

A DESIRED PATHWAY

[3] THE PERSON WHO GOES WITH US

"for you are with me"

A DELIVERED PATHWAY

[4] THE PERIL WE OVERCOME

"fear no evil"

A DELIGHTFUL PATHWAY

[5] THE PROTECTION WE ENJOY

"you shall comfort me"

A DEPENDENT PATHWAY

Psalm 1 - 41 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant
Psalm 16 - 41 Record of The Divine Redeemer
Psalm 24 Coming Conqueror
[1] The Creation 24:1-2
[2] The Cleansing 24:3-4
Clean Hearts / Attitudes
Clean Hands / Actions
[3] The Compensation 24:5-6
[4] The Coming 24:7-10
[I] THE LORD'S CLAIM /
CREATIVE POWER OF GOD 24:1-2
CONCERNING HIS WORLD
1. God is The Proprietor
2. God is The Preserver
3. God is The Production
He is Master of His people
[II] THE LORD'S CALL 24:3-6
CLEANSING PARDON OF GOD
CONCERNING HIS WORSHIPPERS
A question is asked v 3-4
Answered in verse 5-6
1. Solemn Consideration 24:3
2. Searching Conditions 24:4-6
3. Submissive Confession
Christlikeness of
[1] Life [2] Longings [3] Language
[III] THE LORD'S COMING
CONQUERING PRINCE OF GOD 24:7-10
1. His Approach 24:1-6
2. His Arrival 24:7-10
A. Undisputed Victory
B. Universal Sovereignty
[1] The Charge 24:7
[2] The Challenge 24:8-9
[3] The Claim 24:10
[a] The first challenge 24:7-8
[b] The Further challenge 24:9-10

Psalm 1 - 41 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant
Psalm 16 - 41 Record of The Divine Redeemer
Psalm 25 - 39 The Remnant
Psalm 25:1-14 David's Plea / His Prayer Concerning
[1] Mercies of His Faithful God
[2] Miseries of His own Soul / [3] Malignity of His Foes
[I] DAVID'S CONCERN AS A BELIEVER 25:1-7
1. Lord Protect Me / Trust 25:1-3
An appeal for deliverance / Fragrance of Faith
2. Lord Pilot Me / Guidance 25:4-5
A. Wanting to be led 25:4 / B. Willing to be led 25:5a
C. Waiting to be led 25:5b
3. Lord Pardon Me / Affirmation of Grace 25:6-7
[II] DAVID'S CONFIDENCE AS A BELIEVER 25:8-14
We approach God's Guidance / Follow His Grace
1. The Priorities of Guidance 25:8-9
A. One Must be Saved 25:8
B. One Must be Submissive 25:9
2. The Principles of Guidance 25:10-11
A. Consecration 25:10 / B. Confession 25:11
David seeks pardon
3. The Prerequisites of Guidance 25:12-14
A. Right Attitude toward the Lord 25:12-13
David enjoys peace
B. Right Attitude toward His Word 25:14
[1] Acknowledgment of Sin
[2] Assurance of Salvation
[1] The Prayer v 1-3
[a] Trust v 1-2 / [b] Transgress v 3
[2] The Plea v 4-7
[a] Direction v 4 / [b] Detainment v 5
[c] Deliverance v 6-7
[3] The Pardon
[a] Sin / [b] Scope
[4] The Promise
[a] Secret / [b] Showing

Psalm 1 - 41 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant
Psalm 16 - 41 Record of The Divine Redeemer
Psalm 25 - 39 The Remnant
Psalm 25 - B 25:15-22 David's Plight
[I] HOW HE PROCEEDED TO EVALUATE HIS PLIGHT
25:15-19

- 1. His Difficulty 25:15**
Absalom's plots were cleverly and cunningly laid
His plans were working in deception
- 2. His Desolation 25:16**
Lonely and Humbled / Lost respect caused by sin
- 3. His Distress 25:17**
Agony of heart had overtaken him
- 4. His Disgrace 25:18**
Terrible sins of his past
Tragic sinful condition haunts him
- 5. His Danger 25:19**
Only a small group remained faithful to David

[II] HOW HE PLANNED TO EVADE HIS PLIGHT
25:20-22

- 1. As a Person 25:20-21**
No matter how dark and desperate his situation
He had determined that he would trust God
And do so simply in taking refuge in God
- 2. As a Prince 25:22**
 - A. Redeemed from bondage by purchase**
 - B. Redeemed from bondage by power**
 - C. Redeemed from bondage by a person**

Psalm 1 - 41 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant
Psalm 16 - 41 Record of The Divine Redeemer
Psalm 25 - 39 The Remnant
Psalm 26:1-12 Search Me O God
Boasting without Bragging
Confession of sin in Chapter 25
Profession of sincerity in Ch 26
Detachment from / Attachment to
[I] REQUEST 26:1-3

- 1. A Divinely Open Life 26:1-2**
 - A. Sincerity of Purpose 26:1 / B. Conformity of Practice 26:2**
 - 2. A Divinely Obedient Life 26:3**
Overflow in Praise

[II] REJOICING 26:4-8

[a] Shunning the society of the sinful / 26:4-5
[b] Seeking the service of the sanctuary / 26:6-8

- 1. A Divinely Overcoming Life 26:4-6**
 - A. The Principle of Separation 26:4-5**
 - B. The Principle of Sanctification 26:6**
Worship should be followed by Witness
Make public what God has done in private
- 2.. A Divinely Overflowing Life 26:7-8**
Overflowing in the direction of
 - A. Praising The Lord 26:7a**
 - B. Proclaiming The Lord 26:7b**
 - C. Pursuing The Lord 26:8**

[III] REJOICING 26:9-12

- 1. A Divinely Obstructed Life 26:9-10**
Three - fold description of the wicked
 - A. Planned Murder / B. Perpertrated Crimes**
 - C. Perverted Justice**
- 2. A Divinely Ordered Life 26:11-12**
 - A. Purpose 26:11 / B. Position 26:12**

[1] Faithful to the fight / [2] faithful to the faith
[3] Faithful to the finish

Psalm 27:1-6 Faith Versus Fear

Psalm of Sunshine and Shade / Faith Soars - Faith Sinks

To Stay close to God is to learn more about God & enjoy

[a] Light which dispels darkness

Darkness vanishes in the light

[b] Liberty which delivers from distress

Distress gives way to liberty

[c] Life which defeats death

Death is swallowed up in the Victory of Christ

Religion focuses on creeds - programs

Emphasises "DO" or Our Works

Christianity focuses on Christ - person

Emphasises "DONE" or His Works

27:1-6 TRUSTING ON THE HIGHLANDS OF FAITH

[I] DAVID'S INTELLIGENT DELIGHT IN THE LORD

27:1-3 - Confidence in God / Rejoicing Confidence

This confidence begins with Conviction by Holy Spirit

Continues with Conversion through Faith in Christ

Consummates in Confidence / Assurance

Assurance not arrogance

This is Faith's testimony

1. Defense / Personal Dealings 27:1

A. The guidance of God / Shinning

B. The grace of God / Salvation

C. The guardian of God / Strebghth

2. Deliverance / Past Dealings 27:3

3. Dependence / Promised Dealings 27:4

Psalm 27:1-6 / Faith versus Fear

[II] DAVID'S INTENSE DESIRE FOR THE LORD

27:4-6 - Communion with God / Revealed Concern

This is Faith's Testing - Desire to enjoy

1. The presence of the Lord in His house 27:4

A. Deliberate passion to dwell with the Lord

B. Daily passion of delight in the Lord

C. Discerning passion of desire to learn

[a] This was david's request 27:4 / [b] This was his

reason 27:5 / [c] Then the result 27:6

2. The protection of their Lord in His house 27:5-6

A. Hide Me 27:5

[a] Sheltered in time of troubles

[b] Secure in time of problems

[c] Steadfastness in time of persecutions

B. Help Me 27:6

[a] His hand for safety

[b] His wings for shelter

[c] Himself for satisfaction

[1] Forgiveness 27:1

[a] Salvation [b] Strength [c] Security

[2] Fearlessness 27:2-3

[a] Protection [b] Peace [c] Prosperity

[3] Favor 27:4

[a] Desire and need [b] Divine nature

[c] Dedication is necessary

[4] Foundation 27:5-6

[a] Provision [b] Power [c] Praise

Psalm 1 - 41 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant
Psalm 16 - 41 Record of The Divine Redeemer
Psalm 25 - 39 The Remnant
Psalm 27:7-14 Trembling on the Lowlands of Fear
David wanted a fresh experience of

[I] THE GRACE OF GOD 27:7-10
Compassion of God
1. How repentant he was 27:7-8
2. How rejected he felt 27:9-10
He felt rejected by his
A. Father in Heaven 27:9
B. Family on earth 27:10
He needed the assurance of

[a] God's face v 8 [b] God's fellowship v 9
[c] God's favor v 10

[II] THE GUIDANCE OF GOD 27:11-12
Control by the Lord God / David needed
1. Direction for his pathway 27:11
2. Deliverance on his pathway 27:12

[III] THE GOODNESS OF GOD 27:13-14
Comfort from God
1. The trust element in focus
This is what saved him / Gave him support 27:13
2. The time element in focus /
This is what strengthened him
Gave him strength 27:14
[a] Assurance v 13 [b] Advice v 14
[1] Future 27:7-9
[a] Plea v 7 [b] Pleasure v 8 [c] Prayer v 9
[2] Forsaken 27:10-12
[a] Adoption [b] Attitude [c] Action
[3] Fainting 27:13-14
[a] Power [b] Prayer [c] Praise

Psalm 1-41 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant
Psalm 16-41 Record of The Divine Redeemer
Psalm 25-39 The Remnant
Psalm 28 Intense Intercession
The Integrity of The Righteous / The Iniquity of The Wicked
Confidence in God leads to a craving for God
Prayer is a Problem Solver

[I] THE REQUEST 28:1-5
1. David's Invocation 28:1-2
A. Invocation / A wailing heart 28:1
[a] A Prayer is advanced / [b] A Person is addressed
[c] A Painful alternative
B. Supplication / A waiting heart 28:2
[a] Desire [b] Determination
David wanted or Sought for
[a] The Word of God 28:1 / [b] A Word from God 28:2
2. David's Invitation / Accusation 28:3-5
A. Their Description 28:3
Treachery against each other
David pleads " deliver me " There is no
[a] Rest [b] Rules [c] Restraint
B. Their Destiny 28:4-5
Trifling with God / Destroy them
[a] Unrighteously 28:4 / [b] Reasonably 28:5

[II] THE RESULT 28:6-9
1. Exultation / A note of praise 28:6-7
A. Prayer is answered 28:6 / B. Power is acquired 28:7a
C. Praise is acknowledged 28:7b
[a] He has been heard 28:6 / [b] He has been helped 28:7
2. Meditation / A note of prayer 28:8-9
A. Prayer for pardon "save" / B. for prosperity "bless"
C. Prayer for provision "feed" / D. for protection "lift"
A prayer that they might know
[a] The strength of God 28:8 / [b] The salvation of God 28:9a
[c] The satisfaction of God 28:9b

Psalm 1-41 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant
Psalm 16-41 Record of The Divine Redeemer
Psalm 25-39 The Remnant
Psalm 29 Rainbows in Storm Clouds
He rides upon the Storm / Terrific Thunderstorms
The first rumblings of the storm over the Mediterranean
Sea Verses 3-4
The fierce raging of the storm over Lebanon v 5-6
The final results of the storm over the desert v 7-9
Powerful Throne / Practical Theme
[I] THE LORD'S PRE-EMINENCE 29:1-2
The direction of the heavenly throng
Greatness and Glory / Summons to be saved
1. Honor v 1-2a God is great
2. Holiness v 2b God is glorious
[II] THE LORD'S POWER 29:3-9
The description of the heavenly thunderstorm
1. Over the sea / The Lord's dealing with the natural man
The voice of pervading 29:3-4
2. Over Lebanon / The Lord's dealing with the spiritual man
The voice is powerful 29:5-6
3. Over the wilderness / The Lord's dealing with the carnal man
The voice is penetrating 29:7-9
A. The visible approach 29:3 / B. The violent outburst 29:4-6
C. The vivid lightening 29:7 / D. The vast sweep 29:8-9a
E. The vibrant chorus 29:9
[III] THE LORD'S PEOPLE 29:10-11
The declaration of the happy theme
1. God's government 29:10
Experiencing His sovereignty
His mighty power
2. God's gifts / His grace 29:11
Experiencing His sufficiency
His majestic peace

Psalm 30 Joy comes in the Morning
Thanksgiving and Testimony
Singing in the Storm / From Bondage to Blessing
A song of [1] Victory v 1 [2] Vitality v 2-3
[3] Verity v 9 [4] Vision v 12
[I] DAVID'S PROTECTION 30:1-3 / Gratitude for Deliverance
1. Healing v 1 From scornful men v 1
2. Health v 2-3 From serious maladies v 2-3
A. Resolve B. Reasons C. Results
[II] DAVID'S PRAISE 30:4-5 / Grounds for Praise
1. For God's Character 30:4
A. The singers 4a B. The song 4b
2. For God's Compassion 30:5
A. The sequel B. The contrast
[1] Anger and Favor [2] Evening and Morning
[3] A Moment and A Life Time [4] Weeping and Joy
A Morning song follows the Night's sorrows
[III] DAVID'S PRESUMPTION 30:6-7
Grace for self confidence
1. His Spiritual Pride is Remembered v 6-7
A. What he had felt v 6-7a B. What he had forgotten v 7 b
2. His Spiritual Pride Rebuked 30:7b
[IV] DAVID'S PRAYER 30:8-10
Guidance through prayer
1. His approach v 8 2. His appeal v 9
3. His application v 10
In prosperity he boasted of his strength v6
In adversity he doubted his strength v8
In perplexity he borrowed strength v10
[V] DAVID'S PROCLAMATION 30:11-12 / Gladness for sorrow
1. How greatly his life had been changed v11
Both inward and outward evidence
2. How gloriously his life had been channeled v12
God turned grief into gladness / Panic into peace
Sorrow into song / Bondage into Blessing

Psalm 31:1-13

Psalm 1 - 41 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

Psalm 16-41 Record of The Divine Redeemer

Psalm 25-39 The Remnant

Psalm 31:1-13 A Time of Trouble

The Rise and fall of Emotions

Gloom and Glory / Prayer and Praise

Many of the Psalms deal with Troubles / Trials

Tests and Triumphs

[I] REFUGE / SALVATION AND STRENGTH 31:1-4

1. His Appeal / His Desire

Deliver Me / Defend Me

Lead Me / Guide Me / Redeem Me

2. His Assurance / His Defense

A Danger verse 4

[II] REJOICING / SUBMISSION AND SONG 31:5-8

1, The Redeemed Man 31:5

2. The Righteous Man 31:6

3. The Rejoicing Man 31:7-8

A. Civil Liberty is Primary

B. Religious Liberty is Precious

C. Spiritual Liberty is Priceless

God is [1] Merciful v 7a

[2] Mindful v 7b [3] Masterful v 8

[III] REPINING / SORROW AND SHARING 31:9-13

1. The Completeness of David's Grief 31:9-10

A. David's Confidence / "In You O Lord"

B. David's Committal / "Into Your Hand"

C. David's Confession / "Now"

[1] Encompassing Grief 31:9

[2] Endless Greed 31:10

2. The Cause of David's Grief 31:11-13

Scorned / Scoffed / Shunned / Scandaled

A. He was forsaken 31:11

B. He was forgotten 31:12

C. He was fearful 31:13

But God had not forsaken him nor forgotten him

Psalm 1 - 41 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

Psalm 16-41 Record of Divine Redeemer

Psalm 25 - 39 The Remnant

Psalm 31:14-24 A Time of Triumph

1. Salvation in His Power 31:2

2. Shining of His Person 31:16

3. Secret of His Presence 31:20

4. Strength from His Promise 31:23

5. Song of His Protection 31:24

[I] SUPPLICATION AND SCORN / REGRET 31:14-18

1. The Prayer for Victory / Deliverance 31:14-16

2. The Plea for Vengeance / Dependence 31:15-18

[II] SAFETY AND SYMPATHY / RECOVERY 31:19-22

1. The goodness of God / Protection 31:19

2. The greatness of God / Preservation 31:20

3. The graciousness of God / Precious 31:21-22

A. How wonderful He is 31:21

B. How wicked man is 31:22

[III] SWEETNESS AND STABILITY / RECOGNITION 31:23-24

1. Exhortation - Love for the Lord is urged 31:23

A. Proposals are made

B. People are addressed

2. Explanation - Loyalty to the Lord is urged 31:24

A. Preservation of the faithful is reason for loyalty

B. Punishment of the forward is reason for loyalty

Gloom has turned into glory in the hearts of God's people

Begins in tears from trouble / Ends in testimony of triumph

Begins in prayer for assistance / Ends in praise for assurance

Deliverance has come through distress

Psalm 32:1-11 Forgiveness / Full and Free

Rest of Restoration / Regret of Rebellion

David's Confession 32:3-7 / Ways of Restoration

David's Conviction 32:10 / Warning against Rebellion

[I] SIN AS SEEN BY THE SINNER 32:1-7

1. Comfort 32:1-2

The pleasure we feel when sin is cleansed

When guilt is met by grace and followed by gladness

Sin is a.....

A. Defiance v 1a B. Defeat v 1b

C. Distortion v 2a D. Deception v 2b

2. Condition 32:3-4

The penalty we face when sin is concealed

David had a.....

A. Past Life / Healthy and Happy - Then sin enters

Affliction now haunts the man

B. Present Life / Sin is uncovered

Acknowledgment of his sinfulness

3. Confession 32:5

The pardon we find when sin is confessed

Confession brings Cleansing

4. Communion 32:6-7

The path we follow when sin is conquered

The power of.....

A. Prayer v 6 B. Peace v 7

C Praise v 7c

[II] SIN AS SEEN BY THE SAVIOUR 32:8-11

1. The Counsel 32:8-9

To be taught by the Lord we must be right with Him

We need to be

A. Guided by the directing hand of God

B. Governed by the divine hand of God

2. The Conclusion 32:10-11

A. Contentious / Calamities and Chastisements

B. Righteous / Guarded v 10 / Guided v 11

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Psalm 16-41 Record of The Divine Redeemer

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Psalm 33:1-9 THE LORD'S PRAISE AND POWER

[I] HIS PRAISE / A UNITED TRIBUTE 33:1-3

1. The Call to Praise / Worship

A. God deserves our best in Worship

B. God demands our best Worship / Rejoice

[1] Pleasure / Happy 33:1

[2] Playing instruments to honor Him 33:2

[3] Praising / Enjoying 33:3

We are to Praise Him

[a] Thankfully 33:1

[b] Thoroughly 33:2

[c] Thoughtfully 33:3

2. The Cause for Praise

A. God has saved us / Delivered us

B. God is sustaining us / Delivering us

C. God will satisfy us / Deliver us

Provides for us / Protects us

[II] HIS POWER / A UNIVERSAL TESTIMONY 33:4-9

1. The Character of God 33:4-5

Character is displayed by Words and Works

A. The WORD is the promise

B. The WORK is the performance

2. The Creation of God 33:6-9

A. The Moral Power of His Word 33:4-5

B. The Manifest Power of His Word 33:6-7

C. The Moving Power of His Word 33:8

D. The Matchless Power of His Word 33:9

The power of His Word is displayed in the

performance of His Work

Resulting in The Production of His Witness /

His Word / His Work and His Witness is

Productive / Perfect / Permanent

Psalm 33:10-22 The Lord's Providence and His People

[I] HIS PROVIDENCE / UNEQUALED TRIUMPH 33:10-19

[a] The Counsels of God 33:10-11

[b] The Choosing of God 33:12-15

[c] The Converting of God 33:16-19

1. The Nations and their Decision 33:10-12

A. Those who rebel at God's Word 33:10-11

[1] Some reject [2] Some refuse

[3] Some rebel

B. Those who respond to God's Word 33:12

[1] Some receive [2] Some rejoice

[3] Some have regrets

2. The Nations and their Destinies 33:13-19

The Lord looks at their

A. Communities 33:13-14

B. Characteristics 33:15

C. Conflicts 33:16-17

D. Calamities 33:18-19

[II] HIS PEOPLE / UNUSUAL TRUST 33:20-22

1. The Reliance / Help for the saved 33:20

A. Merciful hand of God

B. Mighty hand of God

2. The Rejoicing / Happiness of the sustained 33:21

A. His Compassion fails not / His Love

B. His Completion fails not / His Loyalty

3. The Request / Hope of the Satisfied 33:22

A. Grace for tasks of life

B. Mercy for transgressions in life

C. Peace in the midst of trials through life

Plans - 10-11

People - 12

Place - 13-15

Problem - 16-17

Protection - 18-19

Prayer - 20

Peace - 21

Plea - 22

Psalm 1 - 41 Israel's Redeemer and Remnant

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Psalm 25-39 The Remnant

Psalm 34 The Goliaths of Gath / A Song of The Saved

1 Samuel 22:2 Everyone in Distress / Everyone in Debt

**Everyone Discontented gathered unto Him and Became
A Captain Over Them**

[I] THE TESTIMONY DAVID SHARED 34:1-10

1. His Praise / The Praise is Given 34:1-6

Given A. Freely B. Frequently

[1] What he resolved 34:1-3

[2] What he remembered 34:4-6

[a] His danger - I was lost 34:4

[b] His discernment - I looked 34:5

[c] His deliverance - Liberated 34:6

Instead of the blush of shame / The brightness of joy

Instead of the shudder of fear / The Song of Victory

2. His Protection 34:7-10

A. What he realized

[1] Prayer is essential

[2] Prayer is effective

B. What he received

[1] God's protection 34:7

[2] God's provision 34:8-10

[II] THE TRUTH DAVID SPOKE 34:11-22

1. The Summons 34:11

2. The Subject 34:12

3. The Sermon 34:13-20

[a] Listen to his exposition 34:13-16

[1] Watch your words 34:13

[2] Watch your walk 34:14

[3] Watch your works 34:15

[b] Learn from his example 34:17-22

Psalm 34:11-22 # 1

The Countenance of a Good Man

34:11-13 The Life of a good man is rich and meaningful

It is a life of blessedness

[1] Freedom from fear is found in his relationship with God

[2] Released from the grip of sinful and selfless fears

[3] Consciousness of God's closeness

[4] Awareness of God's presence

[5] A devoted desire to please God

[6] Sensitivity to God's guidance / To extend life one must

LEARN HOW TO TAME THE TONGUE 34:13

A longer life made possible by a shorter tongue

Proverbs 13:3

A deceitful tongue shortens life for three reasons

[I] IT IS A DENOUNCEMENT OF RIGHT 34:13b

"and thy lips from speaking guile" Ezekiel 33:19

Doing wrong instead of doing right

1. Does not preserve life / does not extend life

2. It does pervert life styles

3. It does poison - corrupts - defiles

Good living is not found in deceitful intentions but is in

Divine Interventions Psalm 40:11c

We must [a] Learn [b] Look for [c] Labor in

Love and Live for TRUTH!

[II] IT IS A DENIAL OF RELIGION 34:13a

" Evil " James 1:26 / Prov 11:19 / John 14:6

1. Temptations come

2. Testing is real

3. Tribulations haunt us BUT we can be Triumphant!

[III] IT IS A DEVICE OF RUIN 34:13a

"keep thy tongue from evil" Failure??

1. Deprives one of peace of mind

2. A Deadly poison - Infecting others

3. Destroys lives Ps 101:5

Psalm 34:11-22 # 2 The Longevity of a Good Man

The Countenance of a Good Man 34:14

One Must Learn To Tame The Tongue # 1 and also

One Must Learn To Turn From Temptation

"Depart from Evil" Negative - Legalism: Religious Restrictions

Christianity: Righteous Liberty / Positive - "and do good"

The Positives outweigh the Negatives / Freedoms -

Liberties

The question is - How to turn from temptations?

[I] THE SIN WE MUST SHUN 34:14a "depart from evil"

In order to say "NO" to sin we must...

1. Remember The Approach of Temptation

No one is exempt / Rom 7:21 "PAUL"

We can be waylaid by wickedness unless we watch

Temptation comes to the best but offers the worst

2. Recognize The Areas of Temptation

So many and of such a wide range / Varsity

[a] Esau yielded to temptation of hunger

[b] Achan to temptation of monetary gain

[c] Eve to the pleasure of sight

3. Resist The Agent of Temptation / Not Easy

4. Remove The Advantage of Temptation

Stay clear of some situations

5. Rely on The Almighty in Temptation

"IT is difficult to sin while Praying"

[II] THE SERVICE WE MUST SEEK 34:14b "and do good"

One does good because there is a desire to do so

We do what we want to if we truly want to

1. Follow the example of the Saviour

2. Fulfill the expectations of the Scriptures

God's Word clearly defines and describes the details of Scriptural Expectations concerning Believers

3. Furnish the evidence of Saintliness

Not perfection - glorification - exaltation in self BUT

We are "saints" / As such our lives should portray

Saintliness - Godliness in all our lifestyle.....

The Longevity of a Good Man # 3

The Countenance of a Good Man Ps 34:11-22

Verse 14c & d We must learn to

- 1. Tame The Tongue**
- 2. Turn from Temptation and now # 3**
- 3. Toil for Tranquility v 14**

"seek peace and pursue it" Live in peace

Everyone seeks peace / But few find it --- It is Possible

This peace which David speaks of involves....

[I] THE PERSON OF PEACE / HE is

- 1. The Creator of Peace**
- 2. The Channel of Peace**

The fear of man is terror / Fear of God is tranquility...

Not found in 'programs' / 'plans' / 'policies' But

It is found in A PERSON

[II] THE PICTURE OF PEACE 14c Paintings of Peace?

Peace in the Presence of Storms / Conflicts / Problems

[III] THE PLACE OF PEACE Inward Calm - Until one has

Peace in His/Her heart - They will not find true peace

It is a heart condition / not dependent on circumstances

[IV] THE PURSUIT OF PEACE 14d Pursue / Chase

Seek peace / Hunt for / Follow peace / never stop

Pursue this peace / Possess this peace

- 1. Discovered by faith Romans 5:1**

Peace is not found in the flesh / But in faith

- 2. Defined by forgiveness**

As HE forgives us / We are to forgive others

- 3. Demonstrated by forbearance Eph 4:2 / Col 3:13**

Giving out "peace of mind" can be costly

- 4. Derived by fruitfulness Gal 5:22 Fruit of Spirit**

Produced through the Spirit

- 5. Determined by following Lev 26:3 & 6**

Are we promoters of peace? Peace makers?

The Longevity of a Good Man / Psalm 34:11-22

The Countenance of a Good Man

Verse 15 We must learn the first three ----

And also we must learn to

TALK TO THE TRINITY - Prayer

- 1. In the Spirit The ability to pray**

- 2. Through the Son The access in prayer**

- 3. To the Father The answer to prayer**

Prayer is guided by the Spirit to glorify The Son and it is granted by the prayer Prayer makes a difference

Hezekiah / Jonah Three Concepts / or Reasons

[I] THE LORD LOOKS AT HIS PURITY V 15a

Not our Righteousness but His Righteousness

The Result of a Relationship with God.

The eyes of the Lord are on the Righteous

- 1. To grace his soul / To shower goodness**

- 2. To guide his steps / He directs us**

- 3. To guard his stance / To keep us / Protection and Preservation**

- 4. To guarantee his sufficiency / Provision**

[II] THE LORD LISTENS TO HIS PRAYERS V 15b

His eyes are always on us

His ears are always open to us

He will respond by doing what is best for us

[III] THE LORD LIBERATES FROM HIS PROBLEMS

34:17

God is able and capable of deliverance for us

- 1. In the time of temptation**

- 2. From the threat of trouble**

- 3. From the triumph of the tomb**

- 4. From the temper of transgressors**

God's eyes are acquainted with the saint

His ears are alert to our supplications

His energy is available to save.....

THE LONGEVITY OF A GOOD MAN # 5

The Countenance of A Good Man Ps 34:11-22

From 34:11-22 We learn Message # 1,2,3,4 AND

Now from Verse 18 TOUCH WITH TEARS

Nearness to God is A Necessity for having a Good Life!

Friendship with God is superior to fellowship with man.

Consider - God is closer to some than others! WHY?

[I] THE BROKENNESS GOD APPROACHES 18A

A broken heart is our best method for approach

God comes close to those who cry - Our tears bring

Him near - Some seem to think Christianity should be

experienced without emotion.... But God does

approach an expression of emotion - [brokenness]

1. A stripping of self in involved in this....

2. A sorrow for sin -/- Both David and Peter wept!

They both remembered - and so should we

A. The Calling from the Lord

B. The Closeness to the Lord

C. Conversations with the Lord

D. Cautions from the Lord

Their sinfulness broke their hearts / So should our's

3. A sympathy for souls

4. A similarity to the Saviour

5. A suitability for service

6. A sensitivity to the Spirit

[II] THE BLESSING GOD APPLIES 18B

1. Redemption Attitude of repentance

2. Revival Renewal -/- Remorse

3. Rejoicing A heavenly gladness

holy grief - sorrow

Begin our Service with Sorrow -/- End it with Smiles

Remorse -/- Repentance brings Revival and Rejoicing

THE LONGEVITY OF A GOOD MAN / Psalm 34:11-22

The Countenance of a Good Man / Verse 19 - Thr first 5

Now # 6 TRIUMPH OVER TROUBLE Verse 19

Troubles are heavy burdens that crush us

We must learn to deal with difficulties or be destroyed

[I] We Must Realize The Existence of Troubles...

The afflictions of the Righteous are many 19a

1. Their reality "are" These troubles are

A. Common B. Countless C. Constant

D. Confined the word "but"

Confined by God's Compassion

2. Their reasons -/- Purposes are many

A. They delight the devoted -/- Paul rejoiced in them

Brought joy out of sorrow or trouble

B. They divide the dross -/- separate the impurities

C. They discipline the delinquent -/- bring repentance

D. They develop the disciple -/- Preparation to them

[II] We Must Rely on the Eternal 19b

The arm of The Lord is Mighty

1. Not one battle will be lost / Undeclared By

Disease Devil Death

2. Not one bone will be lame v 20

[III] We Must Recognize the Enemy 21b

The Attitude of the Wicked is Mean Consider

1. The wish to hate the righteous -/- because

A. They love the darkness

B. They labor for the devil

C. They live in depravity

D. They lack in discernment

2. The ways to hate the righteous -/- by

A. Neglect B. Non-sense C. Noise

gossiping D. Notions E. Nuisance

3. The wounds to the haters of the righteous 21a

A. Slaughtered by evil

B. Separated for eternity

THE LONGEVITY OF A GOOD MAN / Ps 34:11-22

The Countenance of A Good Man / Review the first 6

Now # 7 - TRUST THE TRUTH Verse 22

The Truth will stand the test of all time... As we trust in HIM

We discover - Truth is essential to a good life..

Deceit describes the Devil / BUT Truth is our Testimony

As we trust in Him and The Truth - We find....

[I] The Placement of Trust That will Flourish 22b

God will never fail those who trust in Him

Trust placed in anyone or anything else is futile and will only lead to disappointment...

Too many place their trust in their

1. Riches -/- Material possessions - But these fail

Riches cannot purchase salvation or satisfaction

2. Reasoning -/- Man's ability to reason is fatal

Reasoning is deficient and will be destroyed

3. Rulers -/- Ps 146:3 Rulers are fickle - untrustworthy

Rulers thrones crumble and tumble - unstable

4. Reinforcements -/- Man's power will fade...

No earthly power is adequate for our needs..

5. Reputation -/- Reputations fall.... don't always last

Trust in self is dangerous - Our inability!

6. Righteousness -/- Our righteousness is false...

And filthy - So says the Word of God.....

The end result of all trust in these is empty.....

[II] The Products of Trust That will Follow v-22

The products or benefits that follow trust in God..

1. Security / Secure in our relationship with Him

2. Safety / Safe relationships with His People

3. Strength / Strength of God working in us

4. Steadfastness / Stability in life style

5. Successful / Success through His will for us

6. Serenity / Strong peace OF God WITH God

Psalm 35 / General Outline of the Chapter

When Friends Become Foes / Pleading of the Persecuted

The Angel of the Lord is seen here.....

[1] Protecting the Saints

[2] Pursuing the Spoilers

[I] THE ENEMIES INTRIGUE AND

THE PSALMISTS INNOCENCE

In The Camp David is seen as a warrior 1 - 10

1. Prayer for protection 1 - 3 His Appeal

2. Plea against persecutors 4 - 8 His Avengement

3. Promise of praise 9 - 10 His Ascription

A. What he wants for his foes 1 - 8

Defeated / Destroyed

B. What he wants for his fears 9 - 10

Dissolved by the joy of the Lord

Dissolved by the justice of the Lord

[II] THE ENEMIES INGRATITUDE AND

THE PSALMISTS INDIGNATION

In The Court David is seen as a witness 11 - 17

1. Injustice 11-12 Desire for ruin

2. Ingratitude 13-14

3. Insinuations 15-18

Slandered / Accused / Destroyed

A. David's plight is obvious 11-12

B. David's plea is offered 13-17

[III] THE ENEMIES INHUMANITY AND

THE PSALMISTS INTENTIONS

In The Chapel David is seen as a worshipper 18-28

1. A Praising Man 18

2. A Praying Man 19-27 Praying for

Justice / Judgment / Joy

Psalm 35:1-10 DAVID'S DESIRE

Saul nurtured a deadly jealousy against David
David was being praised above Saul
David's defeat of Goliath had brought him recognition
Some of Saul's friends have probably looked to David
Realizing the damage that can come to him - David is afraid.

Knowing the degree of slander that can be used -

David's fear is great ----

[I] DAVID'S DESIRE FOR HIS FOES 1-8

1. His Prayer for Protection / His Appeal 1-3

He wants his foes to be defeated / even destroyed

He wants darkness to overtake them

Despair - Utter destruction is his desire

Natural human characteristics come out in fear

2. His Plea against His Persecutors 4-8

His request for perfect and complete justice is that

His enemies would be driven away / doomed

Dismayed / and then Destroyed

He wants his enemies to suffer -

His plea is for Poetic Justice to him

From his human perspective they are deserving

[II] DAVID'S DESIRE FOR HIS FEARS 9-10

He asked that his fears would be dissolved

Fear brings out an abundance of problems in

Attitudes / and Actions / Decisions are effected

David seeks the replacement of his fear with

1. The Joy of The Lord / 2. The Justice of The Lord

But he wants his own brand of justice

Human faithfulness should be sought

David believes that his desire's are fair

David must come to recognize that

Heavenly Fairness [Justice] and Human Fairness [Justice]

are not always the same - And David must come to the place of accepting Heaven's Brand of Justice

THE GRACE OF GOD!

Psalm 35:11-17 First was David's Desire / Now

David's Dilemma verses 11 -17

General Topic: When Friends Become Foes

From V 1 - 10 David's Desire is to see his enemies destroyed

God is Seen Protecting His Saints /

Punishing The Spoilers

David's Fears and Frustrations are evident form v 1-10

David's Faith is being tested! Possibly beginning to Falter

Friends have Forsaken him - The Foe is gaining ground

Now even False witnesses are speaking out against him!

He feels attacked - slandered - stripped of honor

His reputation is being ruined! How will he respond?

[I] DAVID'S PRAYER 13-14 IS INCREDIBLE

1. His Concern 2. His Convictions

3. His Character 4. His Control

[II] DAVID'S PROBLEM 15-16 INSINUATIONS

Their character is coming through - always does!

They are actually rejoicing over his misfortune.

Their deliberate attack has resulted in his difficulties

This all comes about as the result of their

1. Planning against him

2. Plotting evil against him

3. Pursuing their plan of attack

[III] DAVID'S PLEA V 17 INDICTMENT

David's Innocence is evident however

David's Injuries are excruciating

His Indignation becomes extreme

Alone and Afraid / Fearing the uncertainty

Fearful of the unknown

His Reaction / His Response / Prayer!

Sometimes we also must face these same type of situations and circumstances - How will we react?

This is where our true character comes bursting forth!

Psalm 35:18-28 First: David's Desire 1 - 10

Second: David's Dilemma 11 - 17 NOW

David's Delight 18 - 28

**David has dealt with his own Innocence / and also faced
His own Indignation - then His original Intentions -
His desire for their destruction - but not his final intention
His desire and dilemma give way to His own personal
Delight**

**This peaceful delight does not come from himself BUT
from God.... Brought out through His**

**[A] RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD / A Relationship based
upon**

**Trust and Confidence in Who God is... Does not come
easily!**

A confidence developed through time and testing's

A confidence built from experiences with God

**[B] RESPONSIBILITY TO GOD / A Responsibility
accepted**

**David reaches the place of accepting his own
responsibility**

Everyone is responsible for their attitudes - actions etc

**David finally comes to the place where he begins
to take delight as**

**[I] A PRAISING MAN V 18 There is no visible -
Outward change in his**

1. Circumstances 2. Conditions

**Situations remain the same / Now the change has been
an inward change - a heart change**

Trust in God has surfaced / Thanksgiving pours forth

This brings out his Praise To God.....

[II] A PRAYING MAN 19 -27

**His experience of victory over Goliath was nothing
compared**

to his inner victory over despair.... Yet

1. He Commences by Informing the Lord 19-21

A. A Malicious Glee? v 19

B. A Malignant Guile? v 20-21

2. He Continues by Invoking the Lord 22 -27

David seeks from the Lord for God to

A. Awaken to his predicament - God do you not know?

B. Answer his prayer for justice

C. Acknowledge his pleasure concerning his delima

God grant approval of my attitude

God approve my actions

D. Act upon my perception of right & wrong

[III] A PROCLAIMING MAN 28

Cannot help but tell what we have both seen and heard.

Psalm 36:1-4 God and the Godless

Perverted Truth v 3 Mouth of the Wicked

Produces Godless Testimony V 4 Mischief of an evil heart

[I] THE SINNERS MISERY / HIS CHARACTER

One of David's miseries came from the household of Saul

Another came from within himself / Inner misery can be far worse than any outside misery

David conquered the warriors of Saul - BUT

David could not conquer the worries of his soul

[II] THE SINFUL MAN / HIS CHARACTERISTICS

From within comes such things as - The sinful man's....

1. Persuasion 36:1 "no fear of God"

Temptation to live according to one's own persuasions

2. Pride 36:2 "flattereth himself"

Paying the price of abandonment of Biblical Beliefs

Blinded to Solid Scriptural Standards

Living in prideful persuasion for self gratification

3. Policies 36:3a "iniquity and deceit"

Self deception develops self destruction

4. Past 36:3b "left off to be wise wise and good"

Environment and Education cannot replace an

Experience of God's grace and mercy

5. Plans 36:4a "devises mischief"

His mind develops sinful plans for self satisfaction"

6. Path 36:4b "evil"

Means - to break up all that is good

To ignore God's Word - His Will - His Way..

Connected with Corruption / depravity / lewdness

Knowing better - knowing the truth but persuaded

within self that one can get away with whatever they desire.

Leaving God out - We are guilty also.....

Psalm 36:5-12 God and The Godly

Perfect Grace v 5 The Mercy of The Lord

A Portrait of Righteousness v 6 Mountain Top

[I] THE SAVIOUR V 5-9

God's revelation of Himself to mankind

His righteous doings / Redemption / His graciousness

1. The righteousness of God's Throne 5-6

His Throne cannot be

A. Matched v 5

B. Moved 6a C. Measured 6b

2. The resources of His Throne 7-9

A. Preservation B. Provision

C. Protection

We can be wonderfully A. Saved

B. Sure C. Satisfied

[II] THE SAINT 10-12

Man's dedication of himself to God for service

This is man's responsibility / not just 'doing religion'

But 'being doers of the Word' not just hearing

1. We must have compassion for others

2. We need a certain amount of confidence

Found through Christ

3. We must have convictions / Bible convictions

Solid - Scriptural - based on God's Word

A. God's oversight of the Godly to justify the saint

verses 10-11 It is God who justifies

Justifies permanently and practically

[a] A continuance of God's past mercy

[b] A constant protection through God's mighty power

We are kept by the power of God

B. God's overthrow of the Godless to judge the sinner

verse 12 It is God who judges

All is based on His Character which will never

[a] Change [b] be Compromised

[c] Collapse He never fails!

The Saint's Deliverance / but Satan's Destruction

Founded and Finished on God's Character

Psalm 37:1-8 Teaching for Troublesome Times
In the Perplexities of Life we Find Good Counsel
1 in general Overview of Psalm 37
[I] THE CHARACTER OF THE GODLESS 1 - 2
1. A Discovery Evil - Doers / Envious
Workers of iniquity exist
2. Their Description V 1 / 3. Their Destiny V 2
[II] THE CONFIDENCE OF THE GODLY 3 - 8
Its not work that kills / Its worry "Fret Not"
Found here and in Proverbs 24:19 Notice
1. His Dwelling V 3 2. His Delight V 4
3. His Despondence V 5-6 4. His Discipline V 7
Somehow one must reach the place of looking
A. Beyond the Temporal
B. Beneath the Surface
C. Above the Circumstances
D. Around at our Blessings
Working is the best remedy for waiting
Waiting and Working while one
[1] Trusts God 3 -5 [2] Triumphs 6 -8
[a] Entrust our goodness to God
[b] Enjoy fellowship with God by
Prayer - Participation - Using our Time
Talents - Treasures for Him
[c] Expect guidance from God
We are redeemed by Him / We can rest in Him
[d] Exercise reliance upon Him
Coming to Him / Casting our care upon Him
Coming away released from our bondage
1. The Fretting 1 -2 / Possessions / People
2. The Faith v 3 / Person / Practice / Promise
3. The Fellowship 4-6
Delight / Dedication / Design
4. The Faithfulness 7
Rest / Respect / Realism

Psalm 37 The Business of a Good Man 37:3
A Godly Man / Psalm 37:3 - Godly Goodness
To "Fret" is Foolish and Futile - Conveying.....
Faithfulness
A Good Man is to put his Confidence in the Lord!
This Confidence is closely connected to some areas -
such as
[I] THEIR DEEDS / "and do good"
Trust and Do.... Trust & Obey - YES - but also DO!
1. "Trust" is the Relationship
2. "Doing" is the Result of that Relationship
First Comes Faith / But Works Follows
[A] Faith is the Experience
[B] Works is seen by the Evidence of Faith
Expressed from attitude by actions
[II] THEIR DWELLING "Dwell" "Reside"
Having to do with "Staying Put" -/- Permanent Stay...
Perseverance - Stability - Steadfastness -
A Solid effort in being unshaken
Being unmoved - To Stand Firm!
All based on Convictions from the Word of God
[III] THEIR DIET 3c "Verily" Certainty
Of a Firmness / Faithfulness
Feasting on God's Word / His Faithfulness....
[A] To Honor His Word
He will perform all that He has promised
[B] To Forgive our sinfulness
[C] To keep that which we have committed to Him
[D] To deliver us from evil
[E] To never leave or forsake us
[F] To supply our needs
[G] To strengthen us
[H] To make His sufficient grace available to us
[I] To return and get us one day.....

Psalm 37:4 Business of a good man # 2

**A good man is to find his cheerfulness through the Lord
God's business and also the business of a good man is
Gladness / not Sadness**

Godless people break God's law and pile up troubles

Godly people keep God's law and pile up treasures

Consider here the Triumph in the midst of Troubles

[I] THE PERSON OF GLADNESS 4a

1. The Word to rejoice is found many times

A. Joy is powerful / It keeps one going

**B. Joy is permanent / It is found in God
and God is Eternal!**

**One many not be experiencing joy but it is not
eliminated simply because we are not in the place
to experience the joy nor enjoy life....**

2. The Way to rejoice

**Some things that can benefit one in their effort
to experience and enjoy the reality of joy...**

A. Attendance in Worship / B. Attention to God's Word

**C. Acceptance of His Will / D. Awareness of His
Presence / E. Acknowledgement of His Salvation**

F. Appropriation of His Benefits

G. Association with God's People

[II] THE PROMISE OF HIS GIFT AND JOY 4b

**Following the request for gladness is the result of
God's gladness and joy.... Delight follows desire...**

**What one finds delight in / Where one find delight
We often repeat words without actually receiving the
true benefits and wealth available to God's people...
We fail in our trusting and believing and in our
obedience.**

**Things sound good in word - but doesn't seem practical
enough to cause us to truly TRUST AND OBEY**

It has a beautiful ring but it doesn't penetrate our hearts..

Could one major desire determine our main delight?

An Ultimate desire for God - For God's Word...

God's Will ... God's Way....

Psalm 37:5-6 Business of A Good Man # 3

To Make His Commitment to The Lord

**"Commit" means 'to roll' - as rolling our burdens from
ourselves to another.**

**Some people commit their way to 'reason' - some to
'impulse'**

Others to one thing or another -

**Lets look at two things God will do for those who commit
their way to Him!**

[I] HE WILL CONDUCT THEIR COURSE V 5

**He shall bring it to pass -- somewhere at sometime God
will do it...**

Three ways or realms in which this takes place

1. Through the Scriptures He uses His Words of

A. Enlightenment / Discovery in the scriptures

B. Encouragement / Delight from the scriptures

Courage and Comfort both from the scriptures

His Wonderful Words of Life!

2. Through the Spirit

**Guidance through the Spirit/ Guardianship from the Spirit
Provision and Protection from the Spirit**

Through this guidance we are instructed in our

A. Search for truth - He leads us into truth

B. Sharing of that truth -

In Dividing and Distinguishing that truth

3. In the realm of the Supernatural..

In the past God has operated in the Supernatural realm

In the present God continues operating in this realm

God will continue in the future in this same manner

[II] HE WILL CLEAR OUR CHARACTER V 6

He is our Advocate - our lawyer - judge and jury

He will clear us in the final court - He will represent us

Find us not guilty and withhold judgment on us....

We will be cleared of all charges of sin -

Spotless - Presented to The Father IN CHRIST - Perfect!

We are blessed - We should be PRAISING HIM!

Psalm 37:7 Business of a Good Man # 4

**Psalm 37:7 To Receive His Comfort from The Lord
True rest is found in the Lord - AND Only in the Lord!
God's loving attention is available to all His children
God is both Personal and Patient to us and with us
The Godly are spoken to - The Godless are spoken
about..**

He tells us to be.....

[I] SILENT "Rest in the Lord"

"Keep quiet and rest"

**There are times when our minds are filled with doubts...
Our mouths are filled with distrust - disputings etc...
The mind can be set at ease if we rest in God....IN HIS..**

- 1. Word Psalm 119:89 It is SURE**
- 2. Wisdom Romans 11:33 It is BEST**
- 3. Wealth Eph 3:8 It is ENOUGH**
- 4. Will Eph 6:6c It is GOOD**
- 5. Work Heb 10:12 It is FINISHED**

**Rest in what God is doing in the World today -
We don't always understand it / But we can rest in it!
Because it is always RIGHT - CORRECT -
He will complete His PLAN!**

[II] BE STILL "And Wait"

**Restlessness is prevalent today / people are impatient
Just can't Wait - Got to move IMMEDIATELY
But there remains a REST for God's People....**

We can Rest in the Lord!! Wait patiently ! His is

- 1. At Work - Not in my ways But in His WAY**
- 2. Not Asleep - He is aware of everything that goes on!**
- 3. Has not abandoned His Children**

**He knows who they are - He knows where they are
God will take care of You! Simply Trust Him!**

Psalm 37:9 - Teaching For Troublesome Times 9-31

In Problems of Life we find great contrasts 37:9-31

**[I] PROSPECTS THAT ARE FOREIGN TO THE WICKED V
11**

1. The Lot of The Godless What will be their Lot?

A. Their Doom

B. Their Destiny

2. The Lot of The Godly What will be their Lot?

A. Peace B. Plentifulness

C. Protection D. Perception

E. Persistence F. Preservation

**[II] PURSUITS THAT ARE FAVORED BY THE WICKED 12-
22**

The wicked man's

1. Plots 12-13 2. Power 14-15

3. Prosperity 16-17 4. Protection 18-20

5. Pledge 21-22

**[III] PATHS THAT ARE FORSAKEN BY THE WICKED 23-
31**

The righteous man's

1. Walk 23-24 2. Wants 25

3. Works 26-27 4. Welfare 28-29

5. Wisdom 30-31

To The Saint - Seek Him while He may be found

To The Sinner - He came to seek and to save you.....

Psalm 37 # 1 Success of a Good Man # 1

Psalm 37:9-11 Comparison between the corrupt and clean

The Godless and The Godly /

Not human speculation but heavenly calculation

Human findings are faulty

The estimates of earth are filled with error

We measure the external - God measures the internal

Man sets his own standards - The time of the wicked is short

But the time period of a good man is steady - 9a

[1] Their sure destruction

1. Prosperous life 2. Paupers in death

[2] Their shortened days

1. Life of the wicked is limited

2. Life of the righteous is lasting

3. Life of the wicked comes to a horrible end

4. Life of the righteous continues to endure

Right living leads to long living

A clean life contributes to a continued life

Seeking the right and shunning the wrong pays dividends

[I] THE APPLICATION OF PATIENCE 9B

Impatience keeps one imperfect

[II] THE ALLOTMENT OF PROPHECY 9C

Possessed by it versus Possessing it

Possession of what God has Promised

[III] THE ATTRIBUTES OF PROPRIETORS 11A

"meek" "humility" Results of Afflictions

Severe Sufferings / Learning to Live

Discovery of the purpose in problems

[IV] THE ABUNDANCE OF PEACE 11B

One may never acquire an abundance of possessions

But we can have an abundance of peace

Sometimes its the choices we make -- GOLD OR GOD!

Psalm 37 # 2 / 37:12-13 -

1 dealt with Their Days - Now Their Defense

The threats of the wicked are savage But

The position of a good man is safe

Successful in defence because God is his defender

A Good Man Survives -- God defends His own

against those who accuse and or attack them...

God renders the adversary powerless.

Yet we still have to deal with some things....

[I] THE WARFARE OF THE WICKED IS COMMON V12A

"plots" "plans"

1. The reason for their abusive resentment

"the wicked" "the unjust" are convicted and exposed

2. The restraint of their angry rage 12b

They ventilate the violence with a lack of restraint

They release their rage

[II] THE WEAPONS OF THE WICKED ARE COUNTLESS

V14

The number is staggering - Instruments of iniquity

An arsenal of anger - Note the weapons are

1. Vicious BUT Vain 15b

They are designed to do damage but rendered useless

2. In Contrast The weapons of the righteous are

Virtuous and Victorious

[III] THE WAYS OF THE WICKED ARE COWARDLY V14B

Attacking those who can offer little or no resistance

[IV] THE WISHES OF THE WICKED ARE COMICAL 13A

God thinks its funny - comical!

[V] THE WORKS OF THE WICKED ARE CALAMITIES 15A

Their intentions are interrupted

Their perverted plans are rendered powerless

[VI] THE WOE OF THE WICKED IS COMPLETE 17A

Psalm 37 # 3 - Success of a Good Man # 3

Psalm 37:16 Their Deposits -

The treasures of the wicked are staggering But

The possessions of a good man are surprising

A statement that doesn't make sense - from reasoning!

[I] A LITTLE IS SUPPOSED

Compared to that of the world we may have very little

1. The riches of the reprobate seem to be enticing

2. We are not paupers! We have possessions

We may not be loaded with luxuries

We may only have bare necessities in this world

[II] A LOT IS STRESSED V 16 B

"riches" means abundance But

There can be turmoil in that abundance...

Confusion - Restlessness - Uncertainty -

We see the prosperity of the wicked But Consider

1. The blessings that it blocks 1 Tim 6:10

2. The barrenness it brings Matt 4:19

3. The bitterness it becomes Jer 17:11

4. The bondage it brings 1 Tim 6:9

5. The barriers it builds 1 John 3:17

6. The bargain it by-passes Matt 16:26

7. The briefness it beholds Prov 27:24

8. The bit it buys Eccles 5:10

THE GOOD MAN On the other hand

His days are many - His defence is mightier

His deposits are more - His dividends pay off

Psalm 37:19 Success of a Good Man # 4

Their Difficulties - The troubles of the wicked are severe

BUT

The provisions of a good man are sufficient

Three things which bring satisfaction to the saints in

days of difficulty

[I] OUR HUMILITY WILL NOT BE FORGOTTEN 18A

God Remembers "Knows" understanding acquaintance

and a

detailed familiarity --- He really does know.....

1. The hungers of man 19a

2. The helplessness of man Ps 103:14

Man is helpless to Deliver or Defend himself

And cannot Direct his own life.....

3. The heart of man Ps 44:21b

4. The habits of man Ps 139:2

5. The holiness of man v 18 "upright"

6. The habitation of man

God's knowledge of our humanism

[a] Individual [b] Inward

[c] Immediate [d] Intricate

[e] Intimate [f] Infinite

[II] OUR HERITAGE WILL NOT BE FORFEITED 18B

Our Heritage is.....

1. An everlasting location V 34a

2. An everlasting Lord Ps 16:5a

3. An everlasting Law 119:111a

4. An everlasting Life 133:3

5. An everlasting Love 116:1

6. An everlasting Likeness 17:15

[III] OUR HELP WILL NOT BE FUTILE 19A

1. A present help 19a

2. A powerful help 19a

Psalm 37:21 - Success of a good man # 5

Their Debts - The transactions of the wicked are shameful BUT

The payment of a good man is sure.....

Business transactions can result in difficulties AND

Bad business transactions can result in despair....

Our efforts are not always effective..... Consider

His difficulties are at times due to HIS

[I] EXTRAVAGANCE 21a

Satisfying needs Versus Satisfying greed

Allowing Outgo to exceed Income.....

[II] EXTREMITY 21b

Extreme in any situation...

May not be the result of character BUT conditions

Sometimes its not "WILL NOT" But "CAN NOT"

[III] EXIT 22b Luke 16

The rich man lived in luxury

His life was an elaborate and extravagant existence

while he was alive - He had no lack!

But after his earthly life ended A Great LACK!

[IV] EXPECTATION 21b

Contentment of the righteous

Contentment with what we have in this life

with a great expectation following!!

[a] Their Godliness 21c "GIVE"

Because of their

Identification with the Lord

Instruction from the Lord

Involvement with the Lord

[b] Their gratitude 21b 22a

Bubbling over with Blessings

With His blessings - Life is marvelous

Without His blessings - Life is miserable

Psalm 37:23 Success of a good man # 6

His Delight - Good men do exist - An important reminder...

Goodness is not a product of man - Instead it is

A provision from God to man.....

The good man is successful when living by faith....

Some things about a good man - successful man

[I] HIS PURITY IS GIVEN 23A

Goodness in a good man comes from

Guidance by the Lord - The steps of a good man

are ordered by the LORD

It is not in what a man achieves But in what he receives

[II] HIS PATHWAY 23A

"ORDERED" Established or Directed

Made firm Solid Steadfast Secure

1. The nature of this "by the Lord"

Directed by the One who desires to direct and

knows how to direct our steps

2. The need for this 23A

when there is no need - there is no offer

[III] HIS PROGRESS {gradual} 23A

'STEPS" gradual forward process.....

Takes time - His timing not ours

His purpose may not be 'fast' But 'firm'

Not swift But steadfast - solid - secure - sure -

[IV] HIS PERIL Great 24a

"though he fall" we all must learn

To watch our step - watch our way of life

[V] HIS PRESERVATION - Guaranteed 24b

We may have temporary setbacks--- But

"You can't keep a good man down"

Psalm 37.... Third of three overview outlines

Teaching for Troublesome Times V 35-40

In providences of life we find God's Compassion

A Good Man's Life is

- 1. Guided by the Lord therefore has**
- 2. Gladness in heart and is**
- 3. Guarded by the Lord**

In retrospect - Looking back V 25

In recollection - Calling to mind

Reproach - Does not bring shame to him

[I] POINTS THAT ARE FORGOTTEN BY THE WICKED

He forgets that

- 1. Truth is on the side of the Godly 32-34**

Truth concerning God's Word

Truth of God's work

- 2. Time is on the side of the Godly 35-36**

Time is of no essence to God

Essential for man but not so for God..

- 3. Trust is on the side of the Godly 37-40**

Trust does pay dividends

A perfect standing 37-38

A perfect stability 39-40

[II] PLEASURES THAT ARE FORFEITED BY THE WICKED

- 1. Judgment 35-37 Concerning the**

A. Godly The Godly experience God's

Complete redemption for man

Complete regeneration

B. Godless Experience

Extinction from God's presence

Exhaustion of God's promises

- 2. Justice God's justice will be meted out to**

both the Godly and the Godless

For the Godly - it will be final deliverance

For the Godless - it will be final destruction

not annihilation but destruction just the same!

Psalm 37:29 - Advantages of a good man # 1

Psalm 37:29 God's wealth is in His hands AND

God's treasure is the property of His people

All of God's treasure is ours by the right of relationship

We are heirs of God - Joint Heirs with Christ

It is not just something found in our hopes of the future

It is in our hands in the present - It is ours in the NOW!

This wealth spoken of here is

[I] EARTHLY "land" literally applies to Israel BUT

Figuratively it speaks for us also... In spiritual...

- 1. This is to bring to remembrance**

We have a tendency to forget sometimes...

God's Words and God's Works

- 2. Also brings Re-Assurance**

Certainty and Correctness

All that God does is Correct...

[II] ENORMOUS "inherit" Receive.....

- 1. The heirs of God are part of an enormous plan**

God's Plan!! Not according to our concepts...

**The period of time involved - revealed to Abraham
and it still lacks complete fulfillment**

The power involved - seen in past experiences

The people involved - Its God's people

**Chosen by the Lord Himself - BUT not due to
their deserving - we have no rights or claims!**

- 2. The heirs of God are pointed to an enormous
preparation**

**An heir can only receive that which someone else has
prepared to be presented to them**

- 3. The heirs of God are preserved by an enormous
patience "shall" God's patience & long suffering**

- 4. The heirs of God are placed into an enormous place
"the land" God's blessings beyond belief**

- 5. The heirs of God are presented an enormous provision**

**It is an abundant supply - It is an absolute source of
blessings / It is an adequate supply.....**

Psalm 37:30 Advantages of a Good Man # 2

Psalm 37:30 God's wisdom is in His mouth

A contrast is seen between the conversation of

The Godly and of the Godless Prov 10:11

Consider the Godly and His advantage

[I] THE CLARIFICATION OF HIS CHARACTER "righteous"

A relationship that is right simply means

Conformity to the proper criteria

The rule for right is found in The Person and

Purpose of God Himself.....

[II] THE CRUX OF HIS CAPABILITY "wisdom"

**Ability is to be found through His wisdom and not as a
result of intelligence or education It is the result of..**

1. A relationship with God.....

2. A revelation from God..... His revealing of

A. The Saviour

B. The Scriptures

C. His Sanctuary

3. A ruling from the Lord.. "His Control"

Allowing God to rule & reign

[III] THE CONTENT OF HIS CONVERSATION

God's judgment is Certain

God's justice will be correct and also complete

1. God's judgment in the past

2. His judgment in the present

It is misinterpreted & misunderstood

3. His judgment in the future

The judgment seat of Christ / of the nations....

And The Great White Throne judgment

The execution of His judgment

The escape from His judgment

Psalm 37:31 Advantages of a Good Man # 3

Psalm 37:31 God's Word is in His Heart

The Word of God is Final

The word of man is Fickle

**A good man's law is God's law as it is revealed in
scripture**

God's Word stands the testing of time - of troubles and

It also stands the testing of Triumphs.....

God's Word is Fixed and Final ---

[I] THE SPOT WHERE THE WORD IS STORED "Heart"

God's law is stored in a good man's heart

God's mind set is in a good man's heart

God's work is established in a good man's heart

These established in the heart of a good man will

1. Keep him from sin Psalm 119:11

2. Cleanse him from sin 119:9

3. Give light to his path 119:105

4. Bring him great joy 19:8

5. Cause him to seek God's will 40:8

6. Bring hymns and harmony to his life

7. Make him a living example for Christ

[II] THE STEPS WILL BE STEADY 31b

Stability comes from God's Word in the heart

Man's heart is ruled either by the Lord or by the flesh

{ Satan's Control } Satanic Possession

Satanic influence is real even today!

Saints are not possessed BUT can be influenced

1. Sometimes the heart is ruled by Lust not Love

2. Sometimes by Fear not Faith

3. Sometimes by Worldliness not Worship

4. Sometimes by Coldness not Compassion

5. Sometimes by Self not The Spirit of God...

Psalm 37:32-33 Advantages of a good man # 4

Psalm 37:32-33 God's watchfulness is on his feet

A good man stands out - Object of attention

God's saints are observed by Satan's imps

We are watched by the wicked / Satanic forces are just

waiting for the opportunity to attack us / ambush us!

Gathering information to use against us for their own advantage

[I] DAVID MENTIONS AND INTENTION 32b

The murderous desire of the godless

Hatred and bitterness runs the course of destruction

Most times it is self destruction....

Saul was jealous of David - bringing bitterness & hatred

Haman hated Mordicia / Stephen was hated !

Two reasons the wicked don't do the things they desire

The reasons they don't carry out their murderous desires

1. They are threatened by the law of God {FEAR}

2. They are touched by the Lord { FAITH }

BUT not all murderous desires are found in the hearts of the wicked.... Sometimes in so called Christians.

Some wicked people even appear to be religious.

Vica / Versa Things and people are not always

as they appear on first observation.....

[II] DAVID MAGNIFIES AN INTERVENTION 33a

The mighty deliverance of those who are saved....

God is the all Powerful one ...

God is the Peaceful one ---The Patient one ...

But He does intervene at times... He intervenes for

various reasons... sometimes to

Prevent evil from overtaking His people....

Joseph's Brethren could be used as an example...

But "God meant it for good"

Daniel and the three Hebrew Children are examples...

The stoning of Stephen could have been an influence

in the life of PAUL....

As His Children, we are not left to the hands of the

wicked!

Psalm 37:33b Advantages of a good man # 5

Psalm 37:33b God's warranty is in his ears

"You can't keep a good man down" - sound good - BUT

It is not always the case - Sometimes good people are

kept down - held back - hindered from advancement...

Actually there is never a time in this life, when the righteous are completely free and without difficulties from the watch or words of the wicked

The righteous are always standing in the front line of fire.. On the front line of battle... war between good & evil....

Challenged by the corruption and the corrupt

John 16:33c / Acts 14:22 Troubles / Trials and

Tribulations come to the righteous constantly BUT

We have a guarantee / A warranty from God!!

[I] THE VERDICT OF THE LAWLESS

"when he is judged" We are judged every day by man

But man's judgment is corrupted by self / by Satan..

The unjust judgment of man is affected by

1. Prejudices John 1:46a

Blanket statements that cover all situations

2. Ignorance 1 Samuel 1:9-18 / Acts 2:13

Examples can be found in "religions"

3. Self - Love Selfish desires for positions - prestige and power

4. Half - Truths This destroys - half truths can be worse than total lies....

5. Envy Jealousy - is like a cancer - Eating away Wrecking - destroying -

These all lead not only to self destruction But destroys others as well...

[II] THE VINDICATION OF THE LORD 33b

Unfairly and Unjustly judged by man / However God

knows and understands everything that happens...

Sometimes in the justice system of this world; the guilty

go free and seemingly prosper greatlt....

There are many examples ----

Psalm 37:34a - Advantages of A Good Man # 6

Psalm 37:34a God's Way is in His Thoughts

Man's thoughts are difficult to keep under any realm of control

Our thoughts tend to drift in any and every sort of direction

**Man's thoughts are usually very easily influenced
Controlling our thoughts calls for a performance not easily produced.**

It calls for dependence on God and for His deliverance.

It involves looking beyond the gloom to the glory.

As one waits he is to be involved in a worthwhile activity.

Waiting with nothing to do is difficult.....

Paul writes to the Philippians "Let the mind of Christ be in you"

Eagerly employed in keeping God's Way implanted in our thoughts is.....

[1] A SOVEREIGN WAY Its His Way! Its Perfect!

**Complete - His way is the best way - Its the right way -
Actually its the Only Way... Right Way - Righteous Way!**

**[2] A SAFE WAY 34b There is a way that seems right
But the ends thereof.....Man's way is dangerous and
leads to destruction and death.....**

[3] A SETTLED WAY It is an established way / Settled

[4] A SPIRITUAL WAY Led by the Holy Spirit

[5] A SUPPLIED WAY God will supply our needs

**[6] A SUCCESSFUL WAY His way is the pathway to
success**

Possibly not according to man's evaluation BUT!

[7] A STRONG WAY We have access to God's strength

**[8] A SUBSTITUTIONARY WAY This is God's Way!!
Our problems but His preservation! Praise Him!!!!**

Psalm 37:34b - Advantages of a Good Man # 7

Psalm 37:34b - God's Wrath is in His Sight

There is so much "wrong" in the world today

We will experience an expression of God's judgment

**Sooner or later God will judge us as individuals - and
as congregations - also as a nation.....**

[1] The wrath of the wicked is ever before us

**[2] Their pursuit of power brings about a lack of
Reverence and a lack of Respect**

Satanic Schemes to Destroy Spiritual

[3] They rush for recognition

**Willing to trample anyone under foot who gets in their
way.**

Pursuing their personal desires to the top at any costs.

Seeking fame and fortune, they force their way In & Up

In consideration of God's wrath notice.....

[I] THE EXPANSION OF DEGENERATES v 35

"tree" Rooted in place - seemingly free of

[A] Danger [B] Disturbance / Firmly Fixed in the world....

"spreading" Slowly developing Showing self

Making sure everyone else notices and knows

[II] THE EXCLAMATION OF DOOM v 36a

"lo" Surprise Unexpected Sudden

Their power is not enough inadequate

Their wealth is not enough unable to buy freedom

**Nothing can provide a place of permanence for
the perverted**

A good man exists in this life without "fear"

No fear of death!

The death of a godly person is precious

This is only true for the righteous person

[III] THE EXPERIENCE OF DAVID v 35a

"I have seen" To see To understand

To know - Faith that believes will behave...!!

This is truly an expression of experience!

To experience God's presence - power - protection etc

Psalm 38:1-8 - 38 A

First: V 1 - 8 Shadow of Divine Displeasure

A sad state - The sufferings from Sin

We sometimes wonder why certain people suffer....

Sometimes we even pitch a pity party for ourselves..

The Cause of suffering is not always known...

The Course that suffering takes is sometimes very hard..

The Cure for suffering may or may not be found to be

as simple as repentance....

The blind man in Jesus day..... "who sinned"?

[I] DAVID'S CONVICTION OF SIN 1 - 4

Today: We face a lack of conviction about sin....

Sin turns Divine Favour into Divine Displeasure

1. The Consciousness of Conviction V 4

A true believer knows what is right & wrong

2. The Consequences of Conviction V 1 - 3

A. Divine Anger - God of love - BUT V 1 - 2

God does rebuke sin in our life

God condemns not condones sin

B. Daily Anguish - no joy found in conviction

Joy is found in the forgiveness of sin...

Regret is a reality in the life of a convicted one.

God chastises those who are convicted and

refuse to repent.

[II] DAVID'S CRITICISM OF SUFFERING V 5 - 8

He is deeply moved - Concerned about his Condition

1. About His Relationship with God

As he considers his situation

2. About his Flaw in Fellowship with God

And with God's people

A. David is disgusted V 5

B. Distressed V 6

C. Diseased V 7

D. Deeply Disturbed as we leave him in V 8

Living in the Shadow of Divine Displeasure

Sad State - The Sufferings that come from Sin

BUT one does not have to stay in that state.....

Psalm 38:9-14 / The Sorrows of Divine Entanglements

Verses 9 - 14 The Sorrows of Divine Entanglements

Here its David's sin - And his complaining concerning

sorrow brought on by himself.... Results to the coming to

"the end of the road" Coming to the end of a self - life

[I] THE NEGLECT OF HIS FRIENDS V 9 - 11

Friends who have become foes... David faces

The difficulty in knowing who to trust. Also in

What to really have confidence in > He is experiencing

Corruption.. Confidence betrayed ... Selfish desires

even within friendships... Betrayal of seeking # 1..

1. Forsaken and forgotten by former friends - Ever been there?

2. Frustrated and fearful of failing friendships...

The fierceness of the former friends

Their faithfulness turned to faithlessness

Bitter resentment - even hatred

[II] THE NEGOTIATIONS OF THESE FOES V 12 - 14

Troubles - Trials - Tribulations have come to David

These surround David's life / He faces hardship and heartache

1. Accusations from his former friends / Happens every day.

2. Accused and attacked in the very midst of all these other troubles - trials - tribulations

His sorrows from his own self centered and sinfulness

brings about The Loneliness of sin - Sin brings

loneliness!

Three concepts of this loneliness.....

1. Spiritual loneliness V 9 - 10

Where is God? Why did God allow this?

2. Social loneliness V 11 - 12

No one seems to care... Where are my friends?

3. Silent suffering in the loneliness of a sinful life!

But God is still God and HE still cares!

Psalm 38:15-22

1 - 8 The Shadow of Divine Displeasure / Sad State

The Sufferings from Sin / Sin is Sin

9 - 14 Sorrow of Divine Entanglement / Bad State

The Loneliness of Sin / Pay Day Some Day

15 - 22 Supplication for Divine Favour / Glad State

The Confession of Sin / Repentance Today

[I] DAVID'S CONDITION IN SUPPLICATION

Conviction of Sin Should Lead To Confession

Sometimes it takes Suffering to bring Salvation

David's Plea Consists of....

1. Lord Hear Me V 15 - 16

Hope from difficulties

2. Lord Heal Me V 17 - 18

Constant / Continuous

Sorrows and Sufferings

From these David finds Hope - HEAR ME - HEAL ME

3. Lord Help Me V 19 & 22

The Strength of his foes

Their growing number

Their fierce hatred - Lord Help Me!!

[II] DAVID'S CONFIDENCE OF SAFETY

1. His Assurance V 15 - 20

Sorrow for Sinfulness is good

Confession of that sinfulness is great

Forgiveness of those sins is glorious

2. His Appeal V 21 - 22

O' Lord stay close so that I may stay safe

From Divine Displeasure he rises to Divine Delight

Confession brings Comfort

From the valley of defeat to the Mountain top of

God's Divine Deliverance and Delight!!!

Psalm 39 Lament of Life's Limits

Our days have a measure / We must consider the measure of our days and make good use of our time - talent - treasure. We should be cautious of our words and works along the way.

Our personal feelings may fuel the fires of our frailty...

Human frailty should drive us to God's marvelous grace.

Divine faithfulness will draw us to God's miraculous grace.

[I] DAVID'S PLEDGE / HIS SILENCE V 1 - 3

1. The importance of his pledge V 1

2. The impropriety of his pledge V 2

3. The impossibility of his pledge V 3

His Silence [a] Resolve 1a

[b] Restraint 1b [c] Reaction v 2

[II] DAVID'S PLEA / HIS SPEECH V 4 - 5

1, Anguish V 3 2. Analysis V 4 - 5

Life is a journey but its no joke....

David's search for the answer to life's

[a] frailties [b] futility

[II] DAVID'S PLIGHT / HIS SUBMISSION V 6 - 11

The plight of the

1. Wealthy man in V 6

2. Wicked man in V 7 - 11 He must now face the

[a] Reality of his sin V 7 - 9

He needed a Saviour a Spokesperson

[b] Results of his sin V 10 - 11

His lost Blessings - Beauty of life - Bearings in life

[IV] DAVID'S PLAN / HIS SUPPLICATION V 12 - 13

His desire for God to make him

1. Happy again 12a

2. Holy again 12b

3. Healthy again 13

Forsaken sin is forgiven sin

Forgiven sin is forgotten sin

Fellowship is restored followed by rejoicing

Psalm 40a V 1 - 10

Past Triumphs

Patience V1 Pardon V2 Praise V3

Purity V4 Past V5

Sacrifice V 6 Saviour V 7 Submission V 8

[I] RECORD OF PAST DELIVERANCE V 1 - 4

1. David's Conviction 1 - 3a

A. The reason for it 1 - 2

He heard me v1

He helped me v2

B. The result of it 3

A Spiritual warrior

A Soul winner

2. David's Confession V 1 - 4

God's goodness / David's gratitude

A. The experience 2 - 3a

A horrible condition 2

An humble call on God

A happy chorus 3a

B. The effect 3b

Exasperation

Emancipation

Elevation

C. The encouragement 4

Established

Enjoyed

[II] RESOLVE OF PERSONAL DEVOTION 5 - 10

1. David's Consecration 5 - 8

A. Truth realized in his life

Truth concerning ritual 6

Truth concerning reality 7

B. Truth reproduced in his life

The workings of the Lord 5

The wonders in o

bedience to the Lord 6 - 8

2. David's Confidence V 9 - 10

A. The righteous majesty of God 9 - 10a

B. The rich mercy of God 10b

Psalm 40 B 40:9 – 17

Ps 40:1 – 8 Past Triumphs / Praise or Problems
40:9 – 17 Present Troubles

a. Delight v 9 – 10

Speaking and Sharing

b. Desire v 11 – 16

Prayer and Problems 11 – 12

Plea and Punishment 13 – 15

Pleasure and Personality 16 – 17

[I] RESOLVE FOR PERSONAL DEVOTION 9 – 13

1. Contrast 9 – 10

A. The witness of the Lord

Grace -/- goodness -/- mercy -/- compassion

B. The worship of the Lord

Deserving -/- demanding -/- delighting

2. Contrition 11 – 13

David sees the Lord and

A. His sufferings 11 – 12c

B. Our sinfulness 12d

C. God's strength 13

God is true to those who trust.....

[II] REQUEST FOR PRESENT DELIVERANCE 14 – 17

Problems in our lives should lead to our turning to God
for deliverance

1. Consequences

A. Preservation 11 – 13

B. Proclamation 14 – 17

The Preservation of God demands Proclamation for God!

He proclaims

a. Extremity 17a

b. Expectation 17b

c. Entreaty 17c

2. Consolation 14 – 17

Where does he find comfort?

What consoles us today?

The knowledge and assurance that God is.....

A. Mighty 14 Powerful

B. Magnified 15-16 Preeminent

C. Merciful 17 Pardons

Psalm 41 From trouble to triumph

Trust -/- Treachery -/- Triumph.....

Psalm 41 begins with a beatitude and ends with a doxology....

COVERS sin sorrow

Sickness slander supplication

And salvation and satisfaction

- a. The malice of foes
- b. The mistreatment by friends
- 1. A blessed promise
Strength from the Lord
- 2. A blessed prayer
Submission to the Lord
- 3. A blessed position
Satisfaction in the Lord

[I] THE COMPASSION 1 – 3

Seven fold compassion -/- He will be....

- 1. Delivered in times of trouble
- 2. Preserved and kept in life
- 3. Blessed upon the earth
- 4. Saved from his enemies
- 5. Strengthened in weariness
- 6. Comforted in sickness
- 7. Happy and blessed

[II] THE CONFESSION 4

- 1. An appeal
- 2. An acknowledgment

[III] THE COMPLAINT 5 – 9

- 1. Conspiracy
- 2. Contempt

[IV] THE CONFIDENCE 10 – 13

- 1. A Prayer 10 – 12
- 2. A Praise 13