### Psalms 9

## **Overview:**

- A Psalm of David
- The first Prayer-Praise Psalm
- David praises God for pleading his cause and giving him victory over his enemies and the enemies of his country
- David prays to God that He will have more reasons to praise Him
- Triumphant in the assurance that:
  - o God is judging the world
  - o God is protecting His oppressed people
  - o God is bringing David's/Israel's enemies to ruin

# **Psalms 9:1-2**

- David is talking to God, modeling a personal relationship with God
- Acknowledging God and all that He is, His character, personality, what He does, stands for, that He can be trusted, believed, relied on, celebrated and enjoyed
- REJOICE in Thee In knowing who You are!
  - o Ephesians 5:9 Speak to yourselves with psalms and hymns to the Lord

**Psalms 9:3** - "When mine enemies are turned back, they shall fall and perish at thy presence."

- What are your enemies? What are you in battle with? Pornography? Adultery? Pride? A tumor?
- All enemies shall fall back at the presence of Jesus

Psalms 9:4 - "...Thou satest in the throne judging right."

- Judges me Righteous When God looks to judge me He remembers Jesus and judges me righteous
- God's judgment is just (fair)

## **Psalms 9:5-6**

- "For Thou has rebuked the heathen..."
  - o The Heathen Those who don't acknowledge God
  - o The Wicked Evil or morally bad; those who willfully sin
  - Enemy Antagonist, adversary, opponent; Those harboring hatred and or harmful desires against another

# **Psalms 9:7-8**

- God's judgment on the wicked
  - o Speak unto the problem and tell the problem its future
  - Say unto the mountain be removed and cast into the sea. (Mark 11:23)
- God judges rightly
  - o "He is the Rock, His work is perfect: for all His ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is He." (Deuteronomy 32:4)

## Psalms 9:9-11

- God is a refuge for the just
  - o Psalm 91 "My refuge and fortress, my God in Whom I trust"
  - o Ruth 2:12 "Under Whose wings thou art come to trust"
- Singing Praises
  - Colossians 3:6 With psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord
  - Ephesians 5:19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spritual songs

### **Psalms 9:12**

- What trouble are you facing? Eviction? Losing a child or loved one to the world? Loss of home to a fire? Loss of a spouse? A relationship? Life as you knew it?
- God does not forget and He will repay or restore
  - He will redeem injustices
- God respond; God loves the righteous
  - o Children of Israel: 40yrs but God heard their cry
  - o Esther: 3yrs, God heard their cry and defended them
  - o Hezekiah: The same day he asked for his life, God heard

### Psalms 9:13-14

- God hears and listens
- Verse14 "At the Gate" In front of everyone so they will see
  - Also praises publicly

# **Psalms 9:18**

• The needy and humble have a special place in God's heart

## Psalms 9:19-20

- Ends with acknowledging God as the one who will come to our defense
- God's defense of the righteous will show the world that He is God and they are mere men
  - O 1 Peter 2:12 "Having your conversation (conduct) honest among the Gentiles: that, wereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation."
- Selah