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Tuesday Bible Study – **Psalm 73**

Song – A Mighty Fortress is our God

Written by Martin Luther, between 1527 and 1529

Today's Teacher: Mark Holmes

Tools – KJV Bible, AMP Bible, Complete Jewish Bible, Strong's Concordance, Matthew Henry's Commentary, Enduringword Commentary, Simplybible.com, Meredithgould.com

NOTICE THE CONFLICTS, CONTENTIONS, CONTRASTS, AND CLASHES

WE ALL EXPERIENCE ON OUR JOURNEY

Good vs Evil, Truth vs Error, Light vs Darkness, Wrong vs Right, Wisdom vs Foolishness, Knowledge vs Ignorance, Rich vs Poor, Speaking vs Silence, Remembering vs Forgetting, Innocence vs Guilt, Strong vs Weak, Starting vs Delaying, Heaven vs Hell, etc.

This is what **I saw and heard** in Psalm 73:

- A loss of focus
- A misunderstanding of reality
- Doubt
- Then I remembered the Lord

I DIVIDED PSALM 73 INTO FOUR PARTS

1. How I see others. Psalm 73:1
2. All my senses can be deceived. Psalm 73:2-12
3. I question my life experiences. Psalm 73:13-16
4. I am transformed in Your presence. Psalm 73:17-28

PSALM 73

PART 1 – HOW I SEE OTHERS.

*Vs 1. Truly God is good to Israel, Even to such as are of a clean heart.
KJV*

Homie's Version

Vs 1. I saw that God is good to others.

PART 2 – ALL MY SENSES CAN BE DECEIVED.

Vs 2. But as for me, my feet were almost gone; My steps had well nigh slipped. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 2. My feet were spread out and I almost lost my footing.

Vs 3. For I was envious at the foolish, When I saw the prosperity of the wicked. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 3. I became jealous of the wicked. They have it better than I do.

*Vs 4. For there are no bands in their death: But their strength is firm.
KJV*

Homie's Version

Vs 4. I saw the wicked didn't appear to suffer; not even in death.

Vs 5. They are not in trouble as other men; Neither are they plagued like other men. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 5. I saw the wicked are not suffering for wrong ; nothing even touches them.

Vs 6. Therefore pride compasseth them about as a chain; Violence covereth them as a garment. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 6. I saw the wicked wear arrogance like jewelry and injustice like clothing.

Vs 7. Their eyes stand out with fatness: They have more than heart could wish. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 7. I saw them look at me through their prosperity. They have more than enough; too much.

Vs 8. They are corrupt, and speak wickedly concerning oppression: They speak loftily. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 8. I saw the wicked were rotten. They say how can I make others suffer. They talk like they are better than others.

Vs 9. They set their mouth against the heavens, And their tongue walketh through the earth. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 9. I heard the wicked speak words against the creation. The wicked speak arrogantly wherever they go.

Vs 10. Therefore his people return hither: And waters of a full cup are wrung out to them. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 10. I saw the wicked take what they want. They get more than they deserve.

Vs 11. And they say, How doth God know? And is there knowledge in the most High? KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 11. I heard the wicked make fun; saying, God doesn't even know what's happening.

Vs 12. Behold, these are the ungodly, who prosper in the world; they increase in riches. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 12. I saw the wicked appear to be blessed. They continue to get wealthier and wealthier.

PART 3 – I QUESTIONED MY LIFE EXPERIENCES.

Vs 13. Verily I have cleansed my heart in vain, and washed my hands in innocency. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 13. This emptiness I feel; is this what I get for pleasing God? I've lived a clean life.

Vs 14. For all the day long have I been plagued, And chastened every morning. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 14. I have trouble every day; all day.

Vs 15. If I say, I will speak thus; Behold, I should offend against the generation of thy children. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 15. Maybe I should talk like them; but if I do, I would not set a good example for my children.

Vs 16. When I thought to know this, It was too painful for me; KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 16. I tried to make sense of all I saw and heard, but it was too much to bear. I hurt.

PART 4 – I AM TRANSFORMED IN YOUR PRESENCE.

Vs 17. Until I went into the sanctuary of God; Then understood I their end. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 17. Then, I remembered You. The wicked and I are not the same in Your eyes.

Vs 18. Surely thou didst set them in slippery places: Thou castedst them down into destruction. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 18. Now I see the wicked as they truly are. They can't see their end. They are headed for destruction.

Vs 19. How are they brought into desolation, as in a moment! They are utterly consumed with terrors. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 19. I see the wicked will be quickly swept away. Their calamity will be a dreadful event.

Vs 20. As a dream when one awaketh; So, O Lord, when thou awakest, thou shalt despise their image. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 20. I see the wicked are like a dream. Their lives are like an empty hope. In God's time, the wicked will receive their reward.

Vs 21. Thus my heart was grieved, And I was pricked in my reins. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 21. My heart grieves for them. It feels like the dull pain of a punch in the kidneys.

Vs 22. So foolish was I, and ignorant: I was as a beast before thee. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 22. I was stupid. I didn't know. I was as dumb as an animal in your site.

Vs 23. Nevertheless I am continually with thee: Thou hast holden me by my right hand. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 23. Now I see, nothing can separate us. You are always with me. We walk together.

Vs 24. Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, And afterward receive me to glory. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 24. I will follow your advice, then I will embrace my reward.

Vs 25. Whom have I in heaven but thee? And there is none upon earth that I desire beside thee. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 25. I have no one but You, and You are all I need.

Vs 26. My flesh and my heart faileth: But God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 26. Though my mind and body fail; I will depend on You forever.

Vs 27. For, lo, they that are far from thee shall perish: Thou hast destroyed all them that go a whoring from thee. KJV

Homie's Version

Vs 27. Soon, those that don't follow You will be destroyed. This is the reward of the wicked. You will destroy all that follow another.

Vs 28. But it is good for me to draw near to God: I have put my trust in the Lord God, That I may declare all thy works. KJV

Homie's Version

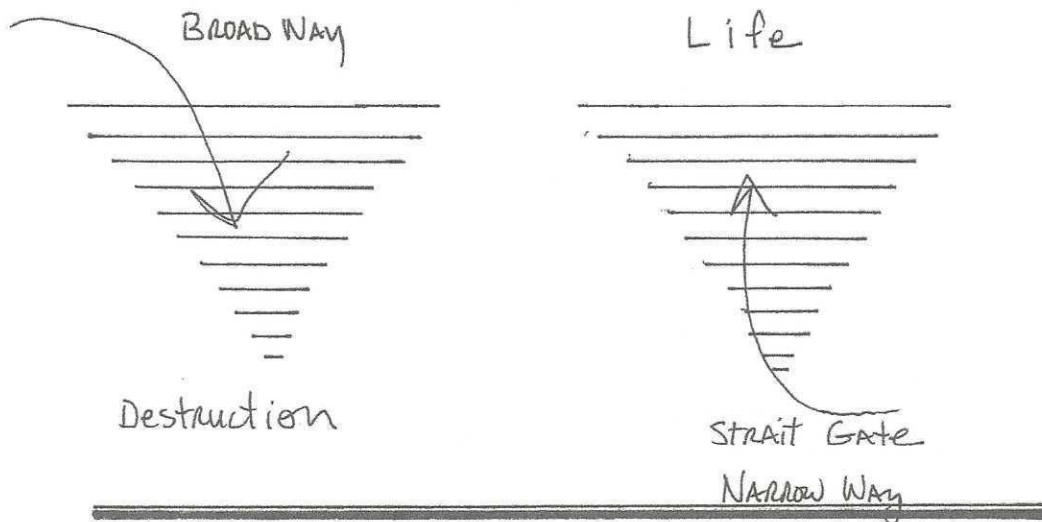
Vs 28. It's good for me to be close to You. I can trust You. I will tell everyone.

Matthew 7:13-14

13 - Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:

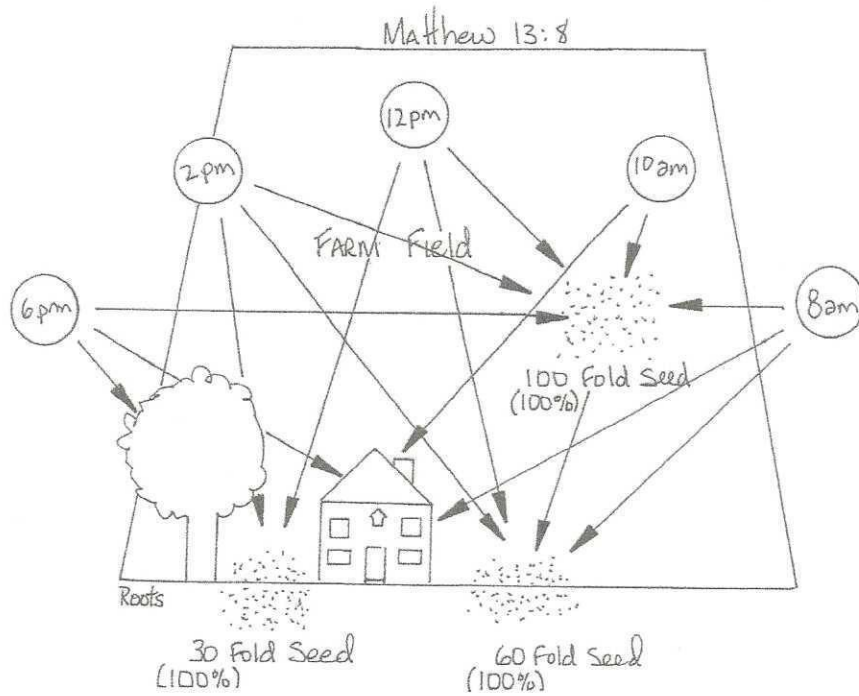
14 - Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

Matthew 7:13-14



Matthew 13:8

But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.



It's All Good Ground

Grow where you're "Planted".



John 17:15-20

15 - I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.

16 - They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

17 - Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

18 - As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.

19 - And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.

20 - Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;

