

## **JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE**

**Rhema Christian Center Triumphant Tuesday-Bible Study**

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### **Psalm 92**

- Of all 150 Psalms, this is the only Psalm with this title...specifically to be song on the Sabbath
- A Song for the Sabbath Day...perhaps an indication that a day should be set aside for worship
- Speaks of the goodness of giving thanks to the Lord
- Expresses the depth of God's works and purposes

### **Composer:**

- Specific writer not known; thought to be written by David
- King David was instrumental in bringing forth the beauty of musical instruments as a part of worship

### **I Chronicles 23:5**

four thousand *were* gatekeepers, and four thousand praised the Lord with *musical* instruments, "which I made," *said David*, "for giving praise."

### **Overview:**

**Vs. 1-3:** Believer's Duty to God

**Vs. 4-5:** Believer's Reasons to Praise God

**Vs. 6-9:** Believer's Enemies Ignorance and End

**Vs. 10-14:** Believer's Blessings

**Vs. 15:** Believer's Purpose in Life

## Psalm 92

### Vs. 1-3: Believer's Duty to God

92 <sup>1</sup>*It is good to give thanks to the Lord,*

*And to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;*

**Psalm 89:1 (Ethan)**

*I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever;*

*With my mouth will I make known Your faithfulness to all generations.*

**Martin Luther**

**".....come let us sing a song and drive away the devil."**

**WHY is it good to give thanks to the Lord? Here are a few reasons:**

- Appropriate      Right      Does us good      A benefit to us
- Sets an example      Demonstration of our attitude
- Gives honor      It's good manners      Liberates us
- Encourages us      A source of delight to worship the Lord

**<sup>2</sup> To declare Your lovingkindness in the morning, And Your faithfulness every night,**

- In the morning we should long to wake up and sing to our God
- God's mercies and loving kindness are new every morning

**Lamentations 3: 22-23**

*Through the Lord's mercies we are not consumed, Because His compassions fail not.<sup>23</sup> They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness*

- In every evening we should want to declare His faithfulness because we are a witness of him seeing us through

**<sup>3</sup> On an instrument of ten strings, On the lute, And on the harp, With harmonious sound.**

- Thought of a united sound; spirit of unity
- Work of excellence in the sound we bring forth....harmonious

**Charles Spurgeon**

It is said, Spurgeon did not have instruments in his church...he believed the greatest instruments were our voices.

#### **Vs. 4-5: Believer's Reasons to Praise God**

**<sup>4</sup> For You, Lord, have made me glad through Your work; I will triumph in the works of Your hands.**

- You thrill me Lord, with all you have done for me
- I will sing joyfully because of what you have done
- Focus is on God and not self; What God has done for us

**<sup>5</sup> O Lord, how great are Your works! Your thoughts are very deep.**

- A declaration and adoration of God's works
- Praise unto God's works and wisdom
- What great works you do Lord
- How deep are your thoughts

#### **Psalm 40:5**

Many, O Lord my God, *are* Your wonderful works *Which* You have done;  
And Your thoughts toward us Cannot be recounted to You in order;  
*If* I would declare and speak *of them*, They are more than can be numbered.

#### **Vs. 6-9: Believer's Enemies Ignorance and End**

**<sup>6</sup> A senseless man does not know, Nor does a fool understand this.**

- Senseless man/fool has no common sense
- Old Testament writings the fool was considered a sinner
- How foolish for us to think we can figure God out

**<sup>7</sup> When the wicked <sup>[a]</sup>spring up like grass, And when all the workers of iniquity flourish, *It is* that they may be destroyed forever.**

- Wicked sprout like weeds, evil doers flourish but they will be destroyed forever.

#### **Psalm 37:1-2**

Do not fret because of evildoers, Nor be envious of the workers of iniquity.  
<sup>2</sup>For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, And wither as the green herb.

**<sup>8</sup> But You, Lord, *are* on high forevermore.**

- Most High God, Jehovah, will be exalted forever

**<sup>9</sup> For behold, Your enemies, O Lord, For behold, Your enemies shall perish; All the workers of iniquity shall be scattered.**

- Your enemies Lord, shall surely perish and be scattered.
- Evil, by its very nature is self-destructive

**Psalm 68:1**

Let God arise, Let His enemies be scattered; Let those also who hate Him flee before Him.

**Psalm 89:10**

You have broken <sup>[a]</sup>Rahab (pride) in pieces, as one who is slain;  
You have scattered Your enemies with Your mighty arm.

- Wicked seem to prosper ...that they would be destroyed forever
- Thought: Favor of God towards man should not be judged by present prosperity
- Enemies of the Lord will be destroyed

**Vs. 10-14: Believer's Blessings**

**<sup>10</sup> But my <sup>[b]</sup>horn You have exalted like a wild ox;  
I have been anointed with fresh oil.**

- You have strengthened and anointed me with the finest oil
- Horn symbolic of power, strength, victory

**Psalm 89:17**

For You *are* the glory of their strength, And in Your favor our <sup>[a]</sup>horn is exalted.

**Psalm 23:5**

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over.

**<sup>11</sup> My eye also has seen *my desire* on my enemies; My ears hear *my desire* on the wicked Who rise up against me.**

- My eyes have seen and my ears have heard the defeat of my enemies
- God allowed the righteous to see the manifestation of what they prayed for
- We pray and believe by faith, spiritually seeing the manifestation but not always seeing the manifestation in the natural..**keep praying and believing**

### **Hebrews 11:1**

Now faith is the <sup>[a]</sup>substance of things hoped for, the <sup>[b]</sup>evidence of things not seen.

### **Psalm 54:7**

For He has delivered me out of all trouble; And my eye has seen *its desire* upon my enemies.

- God's blessing on His people:
  - Wicked destroyed
  - Righteous strengthened
  - Fresh anointing-God's grace
- To see the deliverance of God; to receive the deliverance of God is to have a fresh anointing

### **<sup>12</sup>The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.**

- The writer declares this not just for himself but speaks of the community of believers...the righteous
- Palm Tree:
  - Characteristic: Tall, Graceful, Beautiful and Erect; Storms of life come, it comes back stronger
  - Symbolic: Peace, Victory, Eternal Life
  - Usefulness: Fruit Bearing-Dates and Coconuts
- Cedar Tree:
  - Characteristic: Strong, Durable, Tall, Graceful, Fragrant, Resistant, Beautiful
  - Symbolic: Protection, Wisdom, Strength
  - Usefulness: Does not shrink or Decay-Building and Preserving

### **<sup>13</sup>Those who are planted in the house of the Lord**

- Planted-Stayed in God

### **Shall flourish in the courts of our God.**

- Flourish-Fed by God

### **<sup>14</sup>They shall still bear fruit in old age;**

- Still Bear-Growing in God

### **They shall be <sup>[c]</sup>fresh and <sup>[d]</sup>flourishing,**

- Fresh-Able to do God's will

- In God's house, in the presence of the Lord is where we flourish and bear fruit in our old age; our body withers away but not our spirit

**Psalm 1:3**

He shall be like a tree Planted by the <sup>[a]</sup>rivers of water, That brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also shall not wither; And whatever he does shall prosper.

**Vs. 15: Believer's Purpose in Life**

**<sup>15</sup>To declare that the Lord is upright;**

***He is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him.***

- Vs. 15 gives another 'Why' for vs. 1
- Declare our Lord is just, upright, our rock; there is no evil in Him

**Reflection:**

**Psalm 92 Characteristics of a Fruit Bearing Believer in God:**

- Strength and Glory
- Satisfaction in life
- Confidence in God's faithfulness is our declaration

**Palm Tree Fact: The older the tree, the sweeter the fruit!**

**Thoughts from Charles Stanley:**

....How to Stay Young and Fruitful.... We all are growing old.

- Choose: Live as if you are old **OR** Stay young while growing old
- Decide to see each year as an opportunity to grow stronger in faith
- Trust God more and rely on God's word
- Let God's word shape your attitude....it all begins in the mind
- Be thankful, continue learning, laughing and living life

**Resources**

**Bible:**

New King James  
New International  
Spirit Filled Life  
New Living Translation

**Websites:**

Enduringword.com  
Biblegateway.com  
Blueletterbible.org

**Commentaries:**

Charles Spurgeon  
David Guzik  
Charles Stanley  
Alaxander MacLaren