

PSALM 25 – Drawing Near to God After Sinning – A Plea for Deliverance and Forgiveness!

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PSALM 25 – Teach Me Your Paths - A Plea for Deliverance and Forgiveness – How Do I Draw Near to God After I Flubbed – I Wish Hadn't Done That! What is My Song to God After I've Sinned!

This is an acrostic or alphabetical psalm. The verses begin with the successive letters of the Hebrew alphabet, to aid the memory. So also in Psa 9:1-20; Psa 10:1-18; Psa 34:1-22; Psa 37:1-40; Psa 111:1-10; Psa 112:1-10; Psa 119:1-176; Psa 145:1-21. It repeats the same expressions several or more times, such as wait, Psa 25:3; Psa 25:5; Psa 25:21; ashamed, Psa 25:2-3; Psa 25:20; and teach, Psa 25:4-5; Psa 25:8-9; Psa 25:12.

PSALM 25 – Drawing Near to God After Sinning! – I wish I hadn't done that! Take Care of the Consequences!

Prayer vs. 1-7; Meditation vs. 8-10- Speaking of God; Prayer v.11; Meditation vs. 12-15; Prayer vs. 16-22

Psa 25:1 To You, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

Psa 25:2 O my God, I trust in You; Let me not be ashamed; Let not my enemies triumph over me.

Psa 25:3 Indeed, let no one who waits on You be ashamed; Let those be ashamed who deal treacherously without cause.

- LORD, let me trust in You for forgiveness, for my life, that I wouldn't be put to shame because of my sin!

Psa 25:4 Show (cause me to know) me Your ways, O LORD; Teach me Your paths.

- Show me Your ways! Teach me Your paths! Father first tell me which the way is and then teach my little trembling feet to walk in it!
- Psa 103:7 He made known His ways to Moses, His acts to the children of Israel.
- 2Sa 23:1 Now these are the last words of David. Thus says David the son of Jesse; Thus says the man raised up on high, The anointed of the God of Jacob, And the sweet psalmist of Israel:

Psa 25:5 Lead me in Your truth and teach me, For You are the God of my salvation; On You I wait all the day.

- If we are really willing to follow – He leads!
- It's the word of God – then there is the God of the Word!
- This is the hard part, wait! - On You I wait all the day.
- David was a great leader, when he was a great follower!
- Joh 17:17 Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.

Psa 25:6 Remember, O LORD, Your tender (Your bowels – inner most feelings) mercies and Your lovingkindnesses, For they are from of old.

- Note the plural - mercies and lovingkindnesses! They are from eternity!

Psa 25:7 Do not remember the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions; According to Your mercy remember me, For Your goodness' sake, O LORD.

- Note the repetition of the word “remember”! Remember my sin, but remember that You're a merciful God, too!
- God can't forget, but He can choose not to remember in His mercy!
- LORD take care of me. Let me not be ashamed! Teach me what I'm to learn from my failure!
- For the believer, no sin nor failure is a total waste, if we learn something from it!

Now in the next three verses, David is speaking of God; telling us about God!

Psa 25:8 Good and upright is the LORD; Therefore He teaches sinners in the way.

- God's teaching is practical. He teaches sinners not only doctrine, but the way!

Psa 25:9 The humble He guides in justice, And the humble He teaches His way.

- The man who God is able to guide and to teach is the one who is humble, one who humbles himself.

Psa 25:10 All the paths of the LORD are mercy and truth, To such as keep His covenant and His testimonies.

- When someone has offended you, remember that all the paths of the LORD are mercy. When you are thinking about how to treat other, and you're not sure, always err on the side of mercy!

Psa 25:11 For Your name's sake, O LORD, Pardon my iniquity, for it is great. (rabbi's say this is the first real

confession of sin in the Psalms)

- Here is a blessed, never failing plea – *for Your name 's sake!* Not for my sake or my merit, but to glorify Your name!
- *Pardon my iniquity!* It is confessed, I abhor it! It is consuming me with grief. It is great. Let Your own lips pronounce my forgiveness!

Vs. 12-14 David is speaking of God men should trust

Psa 25:12 Who is the man that fears the LORD? Him shall He teach in the way He chooses.

- *The fear of the LORD* is important in God's blessing
- The intimate counsel with the LORD is secret with those who fear, who revere Him!

Psa 25:13 He himself shall dwell in prosperity, And his descendants shall inherit the earth.

Psa 25:14 The secret of the LORD is with those who fear Him, And He will show them His covenant.

- What do you know without His word!
- How wonderful it is to be in a place where He shows us His covenant!

Psa 25:15 My eyes are ever toward the LORD, For He shall pluck my feet out of the net.

- Anticipating that God is not even going to let him get into the snare, but He is going to get him out of it!
- God guides us into places that are safe. He never guides us into some terrible place, the way sin does.

Psa 25:16 Turn Yourself to me, and have mercy on me, For I am desolate and afflicted.

- David is lonely. Some days, in doing what we do, are so lonely!
- There is a cost in stepping aside from everything and walking in His ways!

Psa 25:17 The troubles of my heart have enlarged; Bring me out of my distresses!

- You may be brokenhearted right now!

Psa 25:18 Look on my affliction and my pain, And forgive all my sins.

- *Forgive all my sins* – I am more sick of all my sin than of pain and I would rather be forgiven than healed.
- Blessed is the one who to whom sin is more unbearable than sickness.

Psa 25:19 Consider my enemies, for they are many; And they hate me with cruel (violent) hatred.

- Watch them, weight them, stop them, defeat them!
- No hate is so cruel as that which is unreasonable and unjust.

Psa 25:20 Keep my soul, and deliver me; Let me not be ashamed, for I put my trust in You.

- It's so hard, sometimes, to receive God's grace. He knew me! And He saved me and made me His own, anyway!

Psa 25:21 Let integrity (no duplicity, no hypocrisy) and uprightness preserve me, For I wait for You.

- *Integrity* – blamelessness, not sinless, not worthy - *So I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open and read the scroll, or to look at it. (Rev. 5:4)*

Psa 25:22 Redeem Israel, O God, Out of all their troubles!

- Jacob, the children of Israel, all of us!
- A comprehensive prayer, which includes all the faithful and all their trials, remembering them in our prayers.

SUMMARY:

- This psalm reminds us that we can be confident that when we humble ourselves. if we confess our sins, The Bible says that *God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*
- That we can be confident in the forgiveness of God. That we are able then to return after our sin to humility with God, willingness to be taught by God. To turn out of fear of God and all the blessings that come with that. God is not only willing to forgive us, but He is willing to restore us to the whole Christian life, that we treasure so much. We treasure forgiveness, but when we sin, if we do it deliberately, we grieve the Holy Spirit and there is the sense of a great loss that has occurred in my life.
- God gives things back to me – intimacy with God. Confidence in my relationship with God, all these things. Psalm 25 speaks of the fact that we can be confident of all that!

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