

PSALM 36 – Man’s Wickedness and God’s Perfections

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Psa 36:5 Your mercy, O LORD, is in the heavens; Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS! *Chisholm; Runyan – Fetke (2:49)*

*Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father; there is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not; as Thou hast been Thou forever will be.*

Refrain:

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided; great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

*Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth. Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! Refrain*

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VS. 1-4 – Wisdom Verses

Psa 36:1 An oracle (prophecy, divine utterance) within my heart concerning the transgression of the wicked: There is no fear of God before his eyes.

- The reason the wicked thing, is that there is no fear of God in their eyes! They are saying within their heart. They think they’re going to get by with it. They think they are never giving an account for anything they do. The hope of the unsaved person is that God isn’t there, that He doesn’t exist! Paul, speaking of “no one is righteous”, said in **(Rom 3:18)** **"THERE IS NO FEAR OF GOD BEFORE THEIR EYES."**

Psa 36:2 For he flatters himself in his own eyes, When he finds out his iniquity and when he hates.

- He wicked have no conscience. Even when they are found out, they flatter themselves in their own eyes.

Psa 36:3 The words of his mouth are wickedness and deceit; He has ceased to be wise and to do good.

- What do the wicked say? The words of his mouth twisted and deceitful! He has stopped being wise and no longer does good. Wisdom isn’t there. He’s lost.

Psa 36:4 He devises wickedness on his bed; He sets himself in a way that is not good; He does not abhor evil.

- This is what the wicked does, devising wickedness on his bed, and sets himself in a way that is not good. All sin has a history. There has to be a devising in the heart. They cross the line and devise mischief, committing themselves on a course that is not good. He no longer distains evil. It’s not distasteful to him. He thinks he will get away with it, setting a foolish course. He thinks he is a special case. My case is different and so I can do it and God doesn’t care.

VS. 5-9 – Praise Verses

Psa 36:5 Your mercy, O LORD, is in the heavens; Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

- He turns from the wicked now and in tremendous contrast to God. God, You are immeasurable! Your mercy extends to the heavens and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds. Your lovingkindness to those that know You. Your righteousness to the upright in heart. David knew God’s love is beyond measure!

Psa 36:6 Your righteousness is like the great mountains; Your judgments are a great deep; O LORD, You preserve man and beast.

- What a phrase! What a statement! God, in contrast, is merciful! He is faithful. He is righteous. He is just. He is filled with lovingkindness. How excellent is Your lovingkindness? Thus, because God being what He is, it’s proper, it’s right, it’s good to put your trust in God. You can put your trust in God, and you should. What shall happen to those who put their trust in God? They shall be abundantly satisfied!

Psa 36:7 How precious is Your lovingkindness, O God! Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Your wings.

Psa 36:8 They are abundantly (to be watered) satisfied with the fullness of Your house, And You give them drink from the river of Your pleasures.

- As you put your trust in God, your life will just be blessed! The abundant satisfaction of walking in fellowship with God. You will make them drink of the rivers of Your pleasures of which we shall drink. O the joy, the pleasure, the delight, the satisfaction of serving the Lord, of living for the Lord. Of walking in fellowship with God. There is sheer joy, sheer pleasure day after day!

Psa 36:9 For with You is the fountain of life; In Your light we see light.

- With *You is the fountain of life!* Ponce de Leon, if you only knew. Could have saved all of that trek through the everglades.
- *In Your light we see light.* That is when we realize what our eyes are really for! We are going to realize what our senses are for! When we stand there before Him, then we are going to see light as it really is!

VS. 10-12 – Prayer Verses

Psa 36:10 Oh, continue Your lovingkindness to those who know You, And Your righteousness to the upright in heart.

- Now he turns to the prayer. The rest has been declaration first of the wicked, then of God. And now the prayer, O continue, draw out to length, Your lovingkindness, Draw this out, LORD. Let this have the full measure of its length and Your righteousness to those who are upright in heart!

Psa 36:11 Let not the foot of pride come against me, And let not the hand of the wicked drive me away.

Psa 36:12 There the workers of iniquity have fallen; They have been cast down and are not able to rise.

- So, the prayer: “God, just continue Your lovingkindness. Don’t let the foot of pride come against me. Don’t let the hand of the wicked remove me. Because the workers of iniquity have fallen they’re cast down, and they shall not be able to rise.”
- A great psalm, great psalms, great truths. May God help us to walk in the light of His word. Filled with His knowledge. The knowledge of Himself as it’s revealed in the word. A lot for us now to go home and to put into practice.

SUMMARY

- Father, we thank You for Your word truly a lamp unto our feet, a light unto our path. May we walk, Lord, in its light. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

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THY LOVING KINDNESS – Mitchell Hugh, Maranatha Singers (2:41)

Thy **lovingkindness** is better than life Thy lovingkindness is better than life
My lips shall praise thee, thus still I bless thee I will lift up my hands unto thy name

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