

PSALM 59 – The Assured Judgment of the Wicked!

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HE IS ABLE TO DELIVER THEE – William Ogden - (3:00)

'Tis the grandest theme through the ages rung; 'Tis the grandest theme for a mortal tongue;

'Tis the grandest theme that the world e'er sung, "Our God is able to deliver thee."

Refrain: He is able to deliver thee, He is able to deliver thee;

Though by sin oppressed, go to Him for rest; "Our God is able to deliver thee."

'Tis the grandest theme in the earth or main; 'Tis the grandest theme for a mortal strain;

'Tis the grandest theme, tell the world again, "Our God is able to deliver thee." (Refrain)

'Tis the grandest theme, let the tidings roll, To the guilty heart, to the sinful soul;

Look to God in faith, He will make thee whole, "Our God is able to deliver thee." (Refrain)

PSALM 59 -

- The fifty-ninth psalm is a psalm of David when Saul sent men to watch his house, to capture him and to bring him back to Saul that he might be killed. (**1Sa 19:11**) *Saul also sent messengers to David's house to watch him and to kill him in the morning. And Michal, David's wife, told him, saying, "If you do not save your life tonight, tomorrow you will be killed."*
- This was early in David's career. He was still quite young, probably in his early twenties or hovering around the twenty-year old mark. Saul had promised to whoever killed the giant could have his daughter as a wife. So David received Michelle, the daughter of Saul, as his wife. In the beginning their marriage seemed to be more compatible. They did have experiences later that caused a very incompatible marriage.
- Saul was determined to kill David. David was, at that time, living there in Jerusalem with Michelle. Saul sent the vile men down to catch David in the morning to go in and take him, arrest him and bring him back to Saul where he might be slain. David heard of this plot and so he and Michelle concocted a plan. She let David down over the wall and he escaped and then she took pillows and so forth and put a blanket over it to make it look like he was lying in bed.
- In the morning when the guys came into get him she said, "O he's sick, he's still in bed." They went to Saul and said, "He's sick" and Saul said, "Bring him here, carry him in his bed that I might kill him." They went back to get David and found out the ruse and then Saul accused Michelle of being a disobedient daughter in letting David escape and she said, "He told me look let me go. Why should you be dead?" In other words, he threatened her life and she couldn't do anything. That night, when they had sent these men and David's life was on the line, he wrote these words.

PSALM 59 - Deliver Me from My Enemies. To the Chief Musician. Set to "Do Not Destroy." a Michtam of David When Saul Sent Men, and They Watched the House in Order to Kill Him.

Vs. 1-2 – David Prays!

Psa 59:1 Deliver me from my enemies, O my God; Defend me from those who rise up against me.

- David is praying for God's deliverance, for God's defense. Deliverance from the enemies, that would be Saul and the men that he had sent out to capture David.

Psa 59:2 Deliver me from the workers of iniquity, And save me from bloodthirsty men.

- Get me out of this danger! Save me!

Vs. 3-4 – David Complains of His Woes!

Psa 59:3 For look, they lie in wait for my life; The mighty gather against me, Not for my transgression nor for my sin, O LORD.

- *For look, they lie in wait for my life;* They were out there in the night waiting for David.

- *The mighty gather against me, Not for my transgression nor for my sin, O LORD.* I'm innocent. I haven't done anything against Saul. In fact, David was one of the most devoted servants that Saul had. Saul was paranoid; he was sort of a schizophrenic character.

Psa 59:4 They run and prepare themselves through no fault of mine. Awake to help me, and behold!

V. 5 – David Prays!

Psa 59:5 You therefore, O LORD God of hosts, the God of Israel, Awake to punish all the nations; Do not be merciful to any wicked transgressors. Selah

- Be merciful to me Lord but not to them. Now David is describing how they returned at the evening. Evidently they had been watching his house all day and now they have come back in the evening to continue the watch.

Vs. 6-7 – David Renews His Complaint!

Psa 59:6 At evening they return, They growl like a dog, And go all around the city.

Psa 59:7 Indeed, they belch with their mouth; Swords are in their lips; For they say, "Who hears?"

- These are crude guys. They are blaspheming guys and are filled with threats. They disregard God saying, "Well who hears?"

Vs. 8-10 – David Declares Confidence in God!

Psa 59:8 But You, O LORD, shall laugh at them; You shall have all the nations in derision.

- He laughs at any single person or the whole world put together, who think that they would disprove one of His promises or one of His words that He gives to His children.

Psa 59:9 I will wait for You, O You his Strength; For God is my defense.

- David again, over and over throughout his lifetime, sought the help of the Lord. Resorted to the lord for his defense against the enemies, placed himself in God's hands. A very wise thing for a person to do. The Lord will defend those who put their trust in him. I have found that if I seek to defend myself the Lord will let me and I have a pretty weak defense. If I just wait upon the lord, He will defend me. I commit my ways to the Lord. David had learned that.

Psa 59:10 My God of mercy shall come to meet me; God shall let me see my desire on my enemies.

- From being captured by my enemies. David will live long enough to see their downfall.

Vs. 11-13 – David Lifts up his Heart in Prayer!

Psa 59:11 Do not slay them, lest my people forget; Scatter them by Your power, And bring them down, O Lord our shield.

- Don't just kill them Lord, scatter them. If you just wipe them out people will soon forget but let them be scattered so that they are still around. Scatter them so that people are reminded that how that if you turn against God or God's anointed it isn't a prosperous thing. Let the people see that their crimes do not pay.

Psa 59:12 For the sin of their mouth and the words of their lips, Let them even be taken in their pride, And for the cursing and lying which they speak.

- Again, belching out these threats, cutting with their lips and the sin of their mouth, let them be taken Lord.

Psa 59:13 Consume them in wrath, consume them, That they may not be; And let them know that God rules in Jacob To the ends of the earth. Selah

- Lord, end their potential and their influence for wickedness! The God of Jacob rules to the end of the earth.

Vs. 14-15 – David Prays Again!

Psa 59:14 And at evening they return, They growl like a dog, And go all around the city.

Psa 59:15 They wander up and down for food, And howl if they are not satisfied.

Vs. 16-17 – Takes to Singing!

Psa 59:16 But I will sing of Your power; Yes, I will sing aloud of Your mercy in the morning; For You have been my defense And refuge in the day of my trouble.

- *But I will sing of Your power; Yes, I will sing aloud of Your mercy in the morning;* As he begins to again get things on God's strength and God's power then the whole thing changes. I know that God's

going to get me out of this. I know that God is going to deliver me. In the morning they are planning to break down the door, come in and take me but Lord I know that you will deliver me.

- **For You have been my defense And refuge in the day of my trouble.** God had delivered David already so many times.

Psa 59:17 To You, O my Strength, I will sing praises; For God is my defense, My God of mercy.

God Who Judges the Earth

- He starts out with this cry of hopelessness with an urgent prayer to spare his life! He ends up just singing of the glory of God, ending his prayer with great confidence in God!
- As we have noticed in so many of David's prayers, the beginning of the psalm is rather dark and bleak, as David is looking at the problems that he is facing. As David prays his faith is strengthened. So that though the psalm begins with all kinds of terror and fear and apprehension, they always end on a very positive note because he has in prayer changed the direction of his focus. It was his problem that drove him to prayer.
- A lot of times as we are facing the problems, we are overwhelmed by the problem, and it drives us to prayer. The very fact that we are praying and as we begin to pray, the focus of prayer is upon God. You cannot really pray without focusing upon God. You bring to God the problem but then you begin to focus on the Lord.
- As you focus on the Lord, the whole tenor changes and now I see the problem in light of God's strength and God's power. I am not looking at the fact that these guys are surrounding the house, they are out to kill me, there are a bunch of bloodthirsty guys out there in the street waiting for me to come out and they're going to grab me. There is too many of them to really try to escape from them. You have all these terrors that fill your heart so you begin to say, "O God, help me. Defend me Lord. Take care of me. These guys are a bunch of rotten filthy mouthed guys who are going around with all of their filth. Surely God you are going to judge them for what they are and what they do".
- No matter how strong the wicked appear to us, we should never allow them intrude into our relationship, our realm of worshipping, and into our joy with the Lord!

SUMMARY:

- What a great lesson in this Psalm for us, especially in times where we have done everything right, and yet are experiencing the worst!
- Who does this young man, David, turn to? He turns to the LORD. You are my defense! You are my God of mercy!
- Is this a description of my response in times of great trials and afflictions?

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"I WILL SING" Don Moen (4:43)

*Lord, You seem so far away A million miles or more, it feels today
And though I haven't lost my faith I must confess right now That it's hard for me to pray*

*But I don't know what to say And I don't know where to start
But as You give the grace With all that's in my heart*

*I will sing, yes, I will praise, even in my darkest hour Through the sorrow and the pain
I will sing, I will praise, lift my hands to honor You Because Your word is true, I will sing*

*Lord it's hard for me to see all the thoughts And plans You have for me, yes it is
But I will put my trust in You Knowing that you died to set me free Oh thank God You did*

*But I don't know what to say And I don't know where to start
But as you give the grace With all that's in my heart*

*I will sing, I will praise, even in my darkest hour Through the sorrow and the pain
I will sing, I will praise, lift my hands to honor You Because Your word is true*

*I will sing, I will praise, even in my darkest hour Through the sorrow and the pain
I will sing, I will praise, lift my hands to honor You Because Your word is true, I will sing, I will sing, I will
sing.*

*Oh, we sing to You Lord Oh, we sing to You Lord tonight Halleluiah, we sing to You Lord
Oh, we lift our voices and sing to You*

Worship You Lord, we sing to You Lord We sing, we sing, We sing, we sing

Oh, we worship you Lord, oh, thank You Lord I will sing, oh yes I will, I will sing

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