

Preaching Through the Psalms

Forward

This series of sermons was delivered from January of 2002 to February of 2010 from the pulpit of [Providence Reformed Church in Lodi, California](#) by Reverend Michael Voytek. Unfortunately three of the sermons were not recorded during that time and so he preached them again in 2014 at [Rehoboth Reformed Church which meets in Cerritos, California](#) where He currently serves as pastor.

Psalm 1 - The Way Things Ought To Be

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Psalm 1 ; 1 Corinthians 2:6-16

SUN 01/20/2002

This first psalm describes the purpose of the book of Psalms as well as establishes the great contrast that is assumed in the later psalms, that of the contrast between the righteous and the wicked and the end of their manner of life.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Two types of people compared
- II. Their end of their manner of life
- III. What can we learn?

Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms righteous wicked

Psalm 2 - The Lord Reigns, Or; The Way Things Really Are

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Psalm 2 ; Acts 4:13-31

SUN 01/27/2002

The Lord Jehovah reigns over heaven and earth. He has given all authority to our Lord Jesus Christ and calls all to wholeheartedly submit to His lordship or perish.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The heavenly King who reigns over all
- II. The Lord's anointed rules over the world
- III. How should we respond?

Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms Christ lordship salvation

Psalm 3 - Salvation Belongs To The Lord

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Psalm 3 ; Romans 8:31-39

SUN 02/10/2002

We face a multitude of adversaries throughout our life, but the Lord Jesus has promised to never leave us or forsake us. By faith in that promise we can overcome all foes, both within and without.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Complaint in the midst of adversity
- II. Confidence in the Lord in the midst of adversity
- III. Cry for help and assurance of deliverance

Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms overcoming faith

Psalm 4 - Blessed Confidence In Adversity

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Psalm 4; Romans 8:31-39

SUN 02/17/2002

Daily we are challenged by a host of adversaries. Our victory over them can only be found in our Lord Jesus Christ and through His grace given to us.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Surrounded by adversity
 - II. Response to adversity
 - III. Basis for this response
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms overcoming faith adversaries

Psalm 5 - Our Words Do Have Consequences

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Psalm 5; Romans 3:9-20

SUN 02/24/2002

Not only do ideas have consequences but so do their expression through words. As Jesus said; "by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned." Our only hope is God's mercy in Christ.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Our words in the light of God's holiness
 - II. Our words in the light of God's judgment
 - III. Our words in the light of God's mercy
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms words consequences

Psalm 6 - Confidence In The Face Of Death

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Psalm 6; John 12:27-36

SUN 03/10/2002

Sickness and ultimately death plague each of us and are great tests of our faith. Through them we are forced to focus on what really matters. What is our response, anger and bitterness or confidence and trust in our sovereign God?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The suffering psalmist
 - II. The suffering Saviour
 - III. The suffering saint
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms faith death

Psalm 7 - Vengeance Is Mine, I Will Repay, Says The Lord

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Psalm 7; 2 Samuel 16:5-14; Romans 12:9-21

SUN 03/17/2002

Where can we go when we are falsely accused by another? To God, the righteous judge. It is He alone who knows all things and is able to make all things right.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. False accusations and a cry for help
 - II. The righteous Judge and the judgment to come
 - III. The guilty and the innocent
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms vengeance accusation judge

Psalm 8 - O Lord, How Excellent Is Your Name In All The Earth!

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Psalm 8; Hebrews 2:1-9

SUN 03/24/2002

Joyful praise is the response of a grateful heart to our great redemption wrought by our Lord Jesus Christ. This praise centers upon the Lord and reveals both His person and His mighty acts to all those who are listening.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The revelation of the Lord through His name
 - II. The glory of the Lord revealed
 - III. The strength of the Lord revealed
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms praise name

Psalm 9 - God's Justice Brings Hope

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Psalm 9; Revelation 20:11-21:8

SUN 04/14/2002

A proper understanding of God's ultimate purpose as well as His intimate interaction within history assists us as we travel through this vale of tears. Our response to Him through prayer and praise is dependent on this knowledge.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Eschatology has consequences
 - II. Praise requires faith
 - III. Prayer requires attention
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms praise sovereignty justice hope

Psalm 10 - Are You Humble?

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Psalm 10; Matthew 5:1-12

SUN 04/21/2002

The sinfulness of mankind is an unfortunate but inescapable reality. God calls us to understand our situation (including our total depravity and our total inability) and at the same time entrust ourselves totally into His care.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Reality check (total depravity)
 - II. Coming to grips with reality (total inability)
 - III. Praise God for His involvement in reality
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms depravity inability reality knowledge sin

Psalm 11 - Confidence In A Time of Crisis

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Psalm 11; Romans 3:19-28

SUN 04/28/2002

Confidence is a necessary ingredient in the life of God's people. Its absence leads to the disintegration of life in fear and anxiety. It is grounded in one's knowledge of the Lord and His righteous acts throughout history.

The outline is as follows:

- I. The Lord is righteous
 - II. The Lord loves righteousness
 - III. The upright in heart behold His face
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms confidence anxiety love

Psalm 12 - The Power Of Words

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Psalm 12; James 3:1-12

SUN 05/12/2002

Words give structure and meaning to life. They have power that can be used for good or for evil, as we ascertain in Proverbs; "Death and life are in the power of the tongue." How should this truth affect our lives?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Words reveal a person's character
 - II. God's Word is pure and sure
 - III. What should the righteous do?
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms words tongue

Psalm 13 - Hope Despairs And Yet Despair Hopes

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Psalm 13; John 1:1-14

SUN 05/19/2002

Our prayers function as windows of our souls, revealing the real thoughts and intents of our hearts. What are your prayers like? Are they honest, heartfelt, and full of faith or are they either rote repetition or worse, non-existent?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Hope despairs
 - II. Hope prays
 - III. Despair hopes
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms hope despair

Psalm 14 - Who Is Right?

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Psalm 14; Romans 1:18-25

SUN 06/09/2002

The old saying; “actions speak louder than words” is profound than we may realize. The inner thoughts of our hearts, revealed by our sinful actions, may take us by surprise. Yet God knows us better than we know ourselves.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Man's evaluation of God: “No God”
 - II. God's evaluation of man: “No good”
 - III. The repercussions of each position
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms atheist good God confession

Psalm 15 - Who Can Abide Coram Deo?

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Psalm 15 ; John 15:1-17

SUN 06/16/2002

He who desires to abide in communion with God must strive to abide in union and communion with those who are made in the image of God, especially with His people.

The outline of the sermons is as follows:

- I. God decides who abides
 - II. His requirements for abiding
 - III. Who then can abide Corem Deo?
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms sovereignty abide before

Psalm 16 - The Lord Is Everything To Me

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Psalm 16; Acts 2:22-36

SUN 06/23/2002

What do you treasure above all else? Jesus declared; "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." How important to you is your relationship with the Lord, especially in light of the many priorities of life?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. A matter of life and death
 - II. In Your presence is fullness of joy
 - III. Christ is our life
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms relationship faith

Psalm 17 - Faith Tested And Refined

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Psalm 17; 1 Peter 1:3-17

SUN 06/30/2002

In the fire of affliction, our faith is tested and refined. Like incense placed on a fire, our prayers for deliverance arise to God with greater fervency and our thanksgiving for deliverance resound from unfeigned lips.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The eye of faith turned toward the Saviour
 - II. The eye of faith turned toward the enemy
 - III. The eye of faith turned toward the future
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms response faith thanksgiving

Psalm 18 - Is Your Response Too Small?

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Psalm 18; 2 Samuel 22; John 15:1-5

SUN 07/14/2002

What is your response to God's awesome revelation of Himself in Scripture and in your life experiences? Is it appropriate or inadequate?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. "I will trust Him"
 - II. "I will do what He has called me to do"
 - III. "I will give thanks and praise to Him"
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms response faith

Psalm 19 - God Has Made Himself Known

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Psalm 19; Romans 1:16-32

SUN 07/21/2002

God has revealed Himself to us through a variety of ways, if only we would have the eyes to see and ears to hear. This revelation brings with it a knowledge of our finitude and sinfulness, driving us to confession and praise.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The eloquence of nature
 - II. The clarity of Scripture
 - III. Our proper reaction
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms revelation creation

Psalm 20 - Our Messiah Goes Forth To War

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Psalm 20; Revelation 5:1-14

SUN 07/28/2002

The difficulties of life that we face have been ordained for our good. Through them, we learn to rely on God and not upon ourselves. He calls us to pray for His kingdom to come and sent His Messiah to accomplish His will on earth.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The battle is the Lord's
 - II. His victory in the midst of history
 - III. Our part in His war
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms victory Christ deliverance war

Psalm 21 - Rejoicing In Christ's Victory

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Psalm 21; Luke 24:13-27

SUN 08/11/2002

We live between the two great victories of Christ. The empty cross and tomb declare the first. His return in glory will hail the second. Our lives and especially our corporate worship should celebrate these victories over His and our enemies.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The deliverance of the Lord's anointed
 - II. The wrath of the Lord's anointed
 - III. The response of the Lord's people
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms victory Christ deliverance wrath

Psalm 22 - Weeping May Endure For A Night

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Psalm 22:1-21; Matthew 27:27-54

SUN 08/18/2002

David was more than a king and a psalmist, he was also a prophet of God. Through this psalm we learn more than how to handle pain, we learn about the one who bore it upon Himself.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The problem of pain
 - II. Trust in the midst of pain
 - III. Jesus bore our pain and carried our sorrows
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms weeping pain sorrows

Psalm 22 - Joy Comes In The Morning

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Psalm 22:22-31; Revelation 5:8-14

SUN 08/25/2002

David's faith was tested and was found approved by God. The height of his joy far surpassed the depth of his sorrow. Similarly, Jesus' joy in His victory over sin and death extends beyond time and space. He calls us to join Him in praise & faith.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The fruit of weeping and trust
 - II. The expanse of His joy
 - III. Extending His and our joy
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms praise faith weeping

Psalm 23 - The Lord Is My Shepherd

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Psalm 23; John 10:7-30

SUN 09/01/2002

David effectively declared the living relationship that exists between our Lord and His people. Our life can be likened to a difficult journey. Through this psalm, we are encouraged to keep our eyes fixed upon Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Our relationship with the Chief Shepherd
 - II. His presence in the midst of the journey of life
 - III. His presence at the end of the journey
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms shepherd sheep

Psalm 24 - Who Is The King Of Glory?

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Psalm 24; Matt. 21:1-17

SUN 09/15/2002

This psalm is a confession that Lord is the Great King over all creation. Through it, we as His servant-creatures are directed on how to live in a manner worthy of our calling.

The outline of the sermon is as follows

- I. Creator & Sovereign over all things
 - II. Holy and yet full of grace and compassion
 - III. Worthy of all worship and praise
- Conclusion & Application to my life:

Key Words. prayer psalms teach

Psalm 25 - Teach Me While I Pray

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Psalm 25; John 16:5-15

SUN 09/22/2002

Prayer involves receiving from God as well as presenting our requests to Him. It requires a knowledge of the one to whom we pray and a patient trust in Him. He uses prayer to teach us and to cause us to grow in our walk Corem Deo (before His face).

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Motivations for prayer
 - II. Meditations in prayer
 - III. Petitions of prayer
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words. prayer psalms teach

Psalm 26 - Walking With Integrity Before The Lord

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Psalm 26; Luke 18:1-14

SUN 09/29/2002

What does the Lord require of those who approach Him? Through the prophet Micah He declared “to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.” This requires a wholehearted devotion and trust in Him and His revealed will.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Desire of the wholehearted
 - II. Character of the wholehearted
 - III. Deliverance of the wholehearted
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words.-prayer psalms devotion wholehearted integrity

Psalm 27 - Wholehearted Confidence In The Lord

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Psalm 27; John 1:1-14

SUN 10/13/2002

Wholehearted devotion to the Lord leads to greater confidence and trust. When the trials of life come in like a flood, do you fervently seek the Lord in prayer or does your faith crumble into dust? The focus of your heart affects the outcome of the test.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Declaration of confidence (v. 1-6)
 - II. Petitions of confidence (v. 7-13)
 - III. Exhortation to continue in confidence (v.14)
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words.-prayer faith lamentation wholehearted light

Psalm 28 - The Comfort of Being Heard

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Psalm 28; Hebrews 4:14-5:10

SUN 10/27/2002

How helpless would you feel if no one understood you? If no one listened to you, not even God? Fortunately God has provided a way through His Son Jesus Christ. We have boldness to come to the throne of grace, to find mercy and help in time of need.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Faith's request for audience
 - II. Faith's request for justice
 - III. Faith's response of praise and intercession
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words –comfort

Psalm 29 - Serving the Lord Through Praise

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Psalm 29; Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:1-4

SUN 11/10/2002

God requires worship and praise from all creation. But why? Psalm 29 answers this question and supplies a right understanding of the purpose of praise. Through this Psalm we learn that praise includes giving glory to God, confession, and even evangelism.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Praise as doxology
 - II. Praise as confession
 - III. Praise as evangelism
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - serving praise service

Psalm 30 - Thanksgiving And Rest

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Psalm 30; Hebrews 4

SUN 11/17/2002

David the psalmist experienced many difficulties and setbacks throughout his life. Nevertheless, he kept his eyes fixed on the Lord through prayer and thanksgiving, knowing that He was working all things for the good. Our Lord does the same for us as well.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Encumbered by a load of sin and sorrows
 - II. His gracious hand lifts us up
 - III. Our response to His deliverance
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - prayer thanksgiving rest deliverance

Psalm 31 - A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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Psalm 31; Luke 23:33-47

SUN 11/24/2002

What is your comfort in times of trouble? Is it not the faithfulness of God, who is ever true to His promises? In Him we find refuge from the storms of life. This Psalm calls us to commit ourselves fully into His hands.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. David's cry in distress
 - II. The servant of the Lord's cry in distress
 - III. Our cry in distress
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - prayer thanksgiving deliverance psalms

Psalm 32 - The Blessedness Of Forgiveness

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Psalm 32; Romans 3:21-4:8

SUN 12/08/2002

While confessing his sin, David declared; "Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me by Your generous Spirit. Then I will teach transgressors Your ways, and sinners shall be converted to You." Thankfulness for God's mercy extends to all.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Forgiveness experienced
 - II. The forgiven one looks outward
 - III. The forgiven one desires to shares with others
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - prayer thanksgiving psalms confession sin

Psalm 33 - Worship Skillfully with A Shout of Joy

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Psalm 33; Colossians 3:12-18

SUN 12/15/2002

How can I render thanks to the Lord for the multitude of blessings that He has lavished upon me? By declaring who He is to the world, by wholly trusting in Him and His Word, by waiting patiently for Him, and by offering skillful praise and worship to Him.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Our call to skillfully worship the Lord
 - II. Pure praise lifted to the Lord
 - III. Faith waits upon the Lord
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - praise joy faith worship

Psalm 34 - Oh, Taste And See That The Lord Is Good

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Psalm 34:1; 1 Peter 2:1-12

SUN 12/22/2002

The fear of the Lord is living in the light of the reality of who the Lord is and what He calls us to be. To live contrary to this truth is insanity and leads to death. As Proverbs 1:7 teaches us; "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction."

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The multifaceted fear of the Lord
 - II. Rejoicing in the fear of the Lord
 - III. Acquiring the fear of the Lord
- Conclusion

Key Words - psalms fear reverence worship

Psalm 35 - Who Is Your King?

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Psalm 35; John 15:18-16:3

SUN 01/12/2003

One of the greatest difficulties that David ever faced in his life concerned King Saul. In the midst of his trials and tribulations, his eyes were fixed and his cry arose to the true king and defender of his soul. How about you? To whom do render allegiance and trust?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. As the divine warrior
 - II. As the suffering servant
 - III. As the judge of all
- Conclusion

Key Words - prayer psalms trust king trials

Psalm 36 - In Your Light, We See Light

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Psalm 36; Romans 11:25-36

SUN 01/19/2003

The darkness of wickedness helps to draw greater attention to the brightness of God's holiness. As we see our sin in the light of His countenance, we are enabled by His grace to turn from them and to find refuge in His covenant faithfulness.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The character of the wicked exposed
- II. The character of the Lord praised
- III. Prayer in light of His character

Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - prayer psalms holiness faithfulness

Psalm 37 - Blessed Are The Meek

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Psalm 37; Matthew 5:3-12

SUN 01/26/2003

Injustice seems to be the norm today. How we handle it depends to a large extent upon our perspective. Through this psalm Our Lord Jesus provides three helpful perspectives to equip us for these tests of faith that we daily face.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Look up (and do right)
- II. Look away (from the wicked)
- III. Look forward (in faith)

Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - prayer psalms injustice faith perspectives

Psalm 38 - The Loving Discipline Of The Lord

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Psalm 38; Hebrews 12:1-11

SUN 02/09/2003

God works all things together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. The "all things" include sickness, guilt, rejection, and misunderstanding. Do we trust Him when we face these overwhelming challenges?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The One to whom we can run to when hurting
- II. The One who cares enough to correct us
- III. The One who is greater than all

Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - prayer psalms faith discipline

Psalm 39 - The Best State Of Every Man Is Vapor

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Psalm 39; Hebrews 11:1-16

SUN 02/16/2003

We are so busy with our lives that sometimes we need a reality check. Fortunately God provides this check through many means, but especially through His Word. Further, He provides comfort and encouragement through the same and in answer to our prayer.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Lord, make me to know my end
 - II. Lord, what do I wait for?
 - III. Lord, hear my prayer
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - prayer psalms grace vapor

Psalm 40 - The Lord Be Magnified

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Psalm 40; Hebrews 10:1-10

SUN 02/23/2003

David lifts praise and thanksgiving to His Lord for past deliverance. Based on this remembrance of God's faithfulness, he also confidently presents his request for grace and help in time of need. Do we do the same in our prayers to God?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. David extols the greatness of God & presents his requests
 - II. In Christ is all the fulness of God's grace revealed
 - III. Our calling to render joyful praise & heartfelt petitions
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - prayer psalms deliverance

Psalm 41 - Blessed Are The Merciful

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Psalm 41; John 13:18-35

SUN 03/09/2003

How can we express our thankfulness to God for His great mercy extended to us through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ? The Psalmist answer; "through showing mercy to others." As a result further encouragement and blessing is experienced.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. God's mercy in our time of need
 - II. Praise for God's mercy
 - III. Our response to God's mercy
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - prayer psalms mercy

Psalm 42 - Blessed Are They That Thirst

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Psalm 42; Matthew 10:32-42

SUN 04/27/2003

How thirsty are you for the things of God? The mind and heart of one who is dying of thirst is focused on nothing else than to quench that thirst. How about you?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. After God
 - II. After the water of life
 - III. To be with God's people
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - thirst fast quench water

Psalm 43 - Send Out Your Light And Your Truth!

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Psalm 43; 2 Corinthians 3:17-4:7

SUN 05/11/2003

We live in an age of fragmentation, where truth and absolutes are replaced by the practical (i.e. what works) and shifting public opinion. We need to return to the center (God's truth) and away from the edges (infatuation with the world).

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Life seems contrary to God's truth
 - II. Faith cries for the revelation of God's truth
 - III. Faith lives in the light of God's truth
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - prayer psalms foundation truth

Psalm 44 - Wrestling With God

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Psalm 44; Romans 8:31-39

SUN 05/18/2003

Like Jacob of old, we face many trials and testings that would overwhelm us without the overruling providence of God. These testings drive us to prayer and are ultimately designed for our good. Through them our faith is increased.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Faith focuses on God
 - II. Faith wrestles with unbelief
 - III. Faith gains the victory
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - psalm faith testing wrestle victory unbelief

Psalm 45 - The Wedding Song of the King of Kings

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Psalm 45; Revelation 19:1-16

SUN 06/08/2003

The psalmist captures the glory and excitement of a royal wedding. Ultimately this points to the glory and beauty of Christ and His bride whom He has redeemed with His own blood. We find our glory in the glory of the King of Kings.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The glory of the royal groom
 - II. The glory of his bride
 - III. The fruit of the marriage
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - prayer psalms praise wedding marriage

Psalm 46 - God Is Our Refuge And Strength

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Psalm 46; 2 Peter 3:1-13

SUN 06/15/2003

Our confidence (faith) is strengthened by focusing on the One in whom we trust, especially when we gather together as the people of God to worship and confess His name.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. What is the strength of our faith?
 - II. What are the challenges before us?
 - III. What about the future?
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - prayer psalms praise faith trust rock refuge strength

Psalm 47 - God Has Ascended With A Shout

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Psalm 47; John 17:1-17

SUN 06/22/2003

The Lord God is the exalted king over all the earth. He has gained the victory and has established His throne among His people. Our response is one of heartfelt, exuberant praise.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. He is exalted as the great King over all the earth.
 - II. What are you going to do about it?
 - III. What is the reason for your actions?
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - prayer psalms praise shout

Psalm 48 - The City Of Our Great King

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Psalm 48; Hebrews 12:18-29 |

SUN 06/29/2003

Our Lord God is the great focal point in the heavenly Jerusalem. Everything else finds its meaning and purpose in relations to Him. Our lives and witness function as jewels that reflect His glorious radiance in a vast array of colors.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Our God is the great King
 - II. Reactions to His sovereignty
 - III. Lift up your eyes and look around
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words - prayer psalms praise church king

Psalm 49 - Wealth And Honor Without Understanding Is Folly

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Psalm 49; 1 Timothy 6:1-10, 17-19

SUN 07/27/2003

Contrary to popular opinion, we cannot save ourselves or give a ransom for our souls. We must look to the One who's life and works are precious in the sight of God. To do otherwise is folly. In verse 20 we find a summary of the the message of this psalm, "Man that is in honour, and understandeth not, is like the beasts that perish."

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The folly that leads to death
 - II. The redemption that delivers from death
 - III. The proper response - "do not fear (trust in the Lord)"
- Conclusion & Application to my life

Key Words -prayer psalms wisdom honor wealth folly redemption

Psalm 50 - Those Whom The Lord Loves, He Corrects

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Psalm 50; Hebrews 12:1-15

SUN 08/10/2003

Sin and hypocrisy are offensive to the thrice Holy God. Fortunately He does not allow us to imagine that He is unaware of our rebellion, but rather in love confronts us and calls us to repentance and faith.

The outline is as follows:

- I. The Judge of the whole earth does what is right
- II. Sin is violation of the revealed will of God (i.e. Law)
- III. Love confronts and calls us to repentance and faith

Key Words - prayer psalms confrontation sin

Psalm 51 - Be Merciful To Me, For I Have Sinned

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Psalm 51; 1 John 1:1-2:2

SUN 08/17/2003

We understand that forgiveness of our sin is totally dependent upon the mercy and grace of God (through the finished work of Jesus Christ). Our confession of sin should include our acknowledgment of personal responsibility as well as specific transgression of God's will. Furthermore, His forgiveness includes restoration and renewal both for the individual and the whole body of Christ as well.

The outline is as follows:

- I. The offended yet merciful God
- II. Arguing for the greatness of my sin
- III. Fruit of forgiveness

Key Words - prayer psalms confession forgiveness repentance mercy grace

Psalm 52 - God's Judgment of the Tongue

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Psalm 52; James 3:1-18

SUN 08/24/2003

James writes, "the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth! And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell." God cares for us so much that He confronts and corrects our misuse of this tool.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The folly of a deceitful tongue (v.1-4)
- II. A fourfold judgment of the tongue (v. 5)
- III. What is your response? (v. 6-9)

Key Words - prayer psalms tongue judgment

Psalm 53 - Out of the Abundance of the Heart

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Psalm 53; Matthew 12:22-37

SUN 08/31/2003

According to the psalmist, sin can be defined as thinking and acting as if God did not exist. Fortunately for us, God corrects this foolishness both in time and in eternity. The question we face is whether we will learn it now or later.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Sin is thinking and acting as if God does not exist
- II. God does act in time and in eternity
- III. What will be our response to God's actions?

Conclusion

Key Words – prayer psalms heart foolishness fool sin guard

Psalm 54 - God Is My Ezra

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Psalm 54; Luke 22:47-62

SUN 09/14/2003

In the daily warfare we face, we are surrounded by enemies (including our own sinful nature) that seek to destroy us. But thanks be to God who has provided help to deliver us. Through our great High Priest and intercessor Jesus Christ, He hears our prayers and answers them according to His purposes and our good.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Save me from the fool
- II. God's help and provision
- III. A prayer heard by God is an answered prayer

Key Words - prayer psalms help helper deliverance betrayal

Psalm 55 - Our Faith Is Challenged By Betrayal

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Psalm 55; 1 Peter 5:1-11

SUN 09/21/2003

One of the most difficult tests in life concerns betrayal, especially by those we love and trust. We learn in this Psalm that where you fix your eyes and direct your energy and focus will greatly affect your overall attitude or outlook. It is not surprising that we commanded to fix our eyes upon "Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross".

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Complaint presented to the Lord (v. 1-15)
- II. Confession and confidence in the Lord (v.16-19a)
- III. Concerning ourselves and others, even our enemies (v.19b-23)

Key Words - prayer psalms deliverance betrayal

Psalm 56 - In God I Trust

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Psalm 56; Luke 12:1-12

SUN 09/28/2003

David, surrounded by various kinds of enemies, cried out to the Lord for mercy and found strength to overcome. Jesus warned us that we too would face forces greater than we can bear. He calls us to trust Him and His word and to express that trust through praise and thanksgiving.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Though my difficulties may be legion
- II. I will put my trust in thee
- III. And I will praise thy word

Key Words - prayer psalms faith trust enemies satan

Psalm 57 - God Is In Heaven And You Are On Earth

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Psalm 57; Philippians 2:5-16

SUN 10/12/2003

The glorious and majestic Creator and sovereign God is exalted over heaven and earth, for even the heaven of heavens cannot contain Him. At the same time, He is intimately involved with every aspect of creation, especially when it comes to His beloved people. This truth both informs our prayers and enlivens our praise and thanksgiving.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The Most High God is transcendent and yet immanent
- II. He is the basis of our confidence in distress (lament)
- III. He is the basis of our confident expectation (thanksgiving)

Key Words - prayer psalms faith trust transcendent immanent lament

Psalm 58 - There Is A God Who Judges In The Earth

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Psalm 58; Romans 12:9-21

SUN 10/26/2003

One of the great struggles that we face is the seeming inequity and injustice that is perpetrated every day. Many times our faith is tested to the breaking point. We are however, not left to our own devices, but must turn our eyes to the righteous judge who will render ultimate justice both in time and in eternity. Where are your eyes focused?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. God's accusation against the wickedness of mankind
- II. Surely the wicked will be judged
- III. Surely the righteous trust in the righteous judge

Key Words - prayer psalms judge judgment faith testing trial

Psalm 59 - When One Member Suffers...

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Psalm 59; 1 Corinthians 12:14-27

SUN 11/09/2003

For those who are in Christ, your life are not your own but is bound to the one who delivered you from the bondage of sin and death. Your life is also bound to everyone who professes the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. This truth impacts you more than you may have realized.

The outline of the sermons is as follows:

- I. David's cry for deliverance
- II. Christ's cry for deliverance
- III. Our brother's cry for deliverance

Key Words - prayer psalms compassion deliverance help

Psalm 60 - God's Compassionate Discipline

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Psalm 60; Hebrews 12:1-13

SUN 11/16/2003

Mary sang out praising God "For He that is mighty hath done to me great things; and holy is His name" (Luke 1:49). What are these great things that He does for His beloved people? They involve many things including correction and discipline. Do you have the eyes to see God's loving hand involved in directing the affairs of your life for your good and His ultimate glory. May God grant you this ability.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Despise not the chastening of the LORD
- II. God has done great things for us
- III. Persevering in the fight of faith

Key Words - prayer psalms compassion discipline correction chastening

Psalm 61 - Lead Me To The Rock That Is Higher Than I

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Psalm 61; Hebrews 11:8-16

SUN 11/23/2003

Like a sailor struggling in a storm tossed sea after being washed overboard, we desperately need help from someone else who can pull us to safety and provide all things necessary for our life. Jesus Christ is that rock who is able to save us. Do you entrust your very existence to Him as well as endeavor to live in thankfulness for his great gifts to you?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Far from home
- II. Yet God is near
- III. I will keep my vows

Key Words - prayer psalms compassion safety rock salvation Christ

Psalm 62 - A Growing Profession of Faith

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Psalm 62; Romans 10:1-13

SUN 11/30/2003

The faith which God gives in not a dead faith but living and growing. Like any living thing, it needs proper care and nourishment. Furthermore, God requires that our faith be not dormant or private but public and active, that it may be evident to all that God is at work with us.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Learning to trust
- II. Exhortations to trust
- III. Fruit of trust

Key Words - prayer psalms faith profession growth

Psalm 63 - Thy Lovingkindness Is Better Than Life

Reverend Michael Voytek | Preaching Through The Psalms

Psalm 63; Matthew 5:3-12

SUN 01/11/2004

The words of Asaph recorded in Psalm 73 well summarize the message of our text; "Whom have I in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth that I desire beside thee." What is more important in life and in death than our relationship with the author and perfecter of our faith? He is our all in all, and our life is hidden in Him.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. God my desire
- II. God my delight
- III. God my defense

Key Words - desire delight defense

Psalm 64 - What Do You Fear

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Psalm 64; Matthew 10:16-28

SUN 01/18/2004

Fear and terror are no longer merely viewed in the abstract ('somewhere in the world') or as a type of entertainment, they have become a fact of life. What does God require of us as we face that which we cannot control? Like everything we face in life, it is only through faith in our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The fear of man leads to a snare
- II. The wicked foolishly do not fear God
- III. Many shall learn to fear the Lord

Key Words - fear terror terrorism faith

Psalm 65 - God's Exquisite Providence

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Psalm 65; 2 Corinthians 9:6-16

SUN 01/25/2004

Lift up your eyes and behold your God and the wonders of His care for you and all things. He not only gives to His beloved sleep (Psalm 127:2), but also strength as they wait upon Him (Isaiah 40:28-31). Recovery of a proper understanding of God's overruling providence will assist in equipping us for the daily challenges we face.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Provisions of grace - a corrected vision
- II. Dreadful wonders of the Almighty - a proper respect
- III. Overwhelming goodness to all - what is your response?

Key Words - grace providence respect goodness mercy

Psalm 66 - Returning to the Center

Reverend Michael Voytek | Preaching Through The Psalms

Psalm 66; Romans 1:1-5

SUN 02/08/2004

In a world fragmented and weary because of sin and rebellion against its Creator, where do we turn to find wholeness? The answer is by returning to the center of all existence (God) and by having our minds renewed through the work of the Holy Spirit.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. All creation must worship and serve its Creator
- II. God's people celebrate His sovereign care for them
- III. Each individual is called to worship and witness

Key Words – prayer psalms blessed blessing ask seek knock

Psalm 67 - Blessed To Be A Blessing

Reverend Michael Voytek | Preaching Through The Psalms

Psalm 67; Romans 15:1-13

SUN 02/15/2004

It is an amazing fact that God is determined to bless sinful, rebellious creatures in spite of their sin. While commanded to “ask, seek, and knock” (Mat. 7:7), we must keep in mind that His answer to our prayers has more to do with His purposes than ours (Mat. 6:10). All that we have and are belong to Him (1 Cor. 6:20).

The outline of the sermons is as follows:

- I. Ask for God's blessings
- II. Remember the purpose of God's blessings
- III. Consider the results of God's blessings

Key Words - prayer psalms blessed blessing ask seek knock

Psalm 68 - The Victorious Divine Warrior Reigns

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Psalm 68; Ephesians 4:7-16

SUN 02/22/2004

God has provided encouragement in the midst of the wickedness of this world through His Word. We are reminded that He who was victorious over the kings of the earth, and ultimately over sin and death, will continue to reign until He comes again to judge the living and the dead. As we celebrate His victories in the past, we find hope and courage to equip us as we face the battles that lay before us.

The outline of the sermons is as follows:

- I. Who He is
- II. What He has done and is doing
- III. What we are to do

Key Words - prayer psalms victory warrior warfare battles

Psalm 69 - The Passion Of Christ

Reverend Michael Voytek | Preaching Through The Psalms

Psalm 69; John 2:13-22

SUN 02/29/2004

Our growth in faith and humility includes becoming aware of our vulnerability and helpless apart from the grace of God. One way that He teaches us is through our bearing reproach for His name. Remember that it was Christ who experienced the greatest trials, testings, and reproach for us on the cross. Praise God that He is not dead but has risen and intercedes for us before His Father in heaven.

The outline of the sermons is as follows:

- I. Facing troubles through prayer to God
- II. Zeal and reproach are traveling companions
- III. Rejoicing in the victory of Christ (He is risen!)

Key Words -prayer psalms passion reproach trials testing sufferings Christ

Psalm 70 - Come Quickly Lord, To Help Me!

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Psalm 70; Mark 15:29-39

SUN 03/14/2004

Adversity is useful in a number of ways. It is used by God to sharpen our focus on what is really important, increase our awareness of our inability and need for His grace, it even drives us to our knees to produce intense prayer for deliverance. In other words, adversity can be a tool for godly character development and growth.

The outline of the sermons is as follows:

- I. Confession: I am poor and needy
- II. Profession: You are my help and deliverer
- III. Supplication: Make haste, do not delay

Key Words -psalm prayer adversity help poor needy come Lord

Psalm 71 - You, O Lord, Are My Abiding Hope

Reverend Michael Voytek | Preaching Through The Psalms

Psalm 71; Matthew 11:25-30

SUN 03/21/2004

In a world that can be best described as confused and lost, where can one go to find hope and direction? The psalmist would answer "to God." By trusting in His faithfulness we can rest in the confidence and hope based upon the fact that He is working everything for the ultimate good of His people and for the glory of His name.

The outline of the sermons is as follows:

- I. Hope vs. Confusion
- II. Petitions arising from confidence in God
- III. Praise arising from hope

Key Words - psalm prayer confusion hope confidence faith

Psalm 72 - Thy Kingdom Come, Thy Will Be Done

Reverend Michael Voytek | Preaching Through The Psalms

Psalm 72; 1 Corinthians 15:20-28

SUN 03/28/2004

From the defeat (fall) of Adam in the garden, God's people have anticipated the Lord God's complete victory over all His enemies, including sin, death, and the devil. Their prayers were answered in the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ at the cross and the empty tomb. We continue to pray for the full outworking of that victory in time and eternity, on earth as it is in heaven.

The outline of the sermons is as follows:

- I. Thine is the Kingdom
- II. Thine is the Power
- III. Thine is the Glory

Key Words -psalm prayer kingdom victory sovereignty

Psalm 73 - The Problem of God's Goodness

Reverend Michael Voytek | Preaching Through The Psalms

Psalm 73; Matthew 20:1-16

SUN 04/18/2004

One of the great problems that philosophers and theologians alike have struggled to understand is the so called "problem of evil." What they usually fail to take into account is that the real problem is our inability to comprehend God's goodness to fallen and rebellious creatures. Only when He opens our eyes do we appreciate what He has done and continues to do for us.

The outline of the sermons is as follows:

- I. God's grace is misunderstood by all
- II. God's grace is humbling to all
- III. God's grace is beyond our comprehension

Key Words -psalm prayer evil goodness theodicy grace

Psalm 74 - Weeping Together Or Weeping Alone

Reverend Michael Voytek | Preaching Through The Psalms

Psalm 74; Romans 11:1-12

SUN 04/25/2004

God sovereignly directs the trials and testing in our lives to mold and shape His people and to glorify His name. He has brought us together "to weep with those who weep..." and to "bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." The alternative is to add to one's suffering, namely to suffer alone.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. "Weeping my endure for a night..."
- II. Weeping in faith: "God is my king..."
- III. Weeping produces petition: "Remember..."

Key Words -psalm 74 prayer weeping weep lamentation lament together church psalms

Psalm 75 - The Lord Is The Judge Of All The Earth

Reverend Michael Voytek | Preaching Through The Psalms

Psalm 75; Revelation 14:6-13

SUN 05/09/2004

Scripture declares that power (ability/authority) belongs unto God (Ps. 62:11) and that He delegates it to those who must give an account to Him for its use or misuse. As King of all kings, He exercises judgment and equity both now and at the end of time. He requires that we properly use our gifts and graces for His purposes.

The outline of the sermons is as follows:

- I. Mankind's misuse of ability/authority
- II. God's proper use of ability/authority
- III. Our proper response to God's ability/authority

Key Words -psalm 75 prayer judgment judge arrogance pride

Psalm 76 - He Is Not Safe, But He Is Good

Reverend Michael Voytek | Preaching Through The Psalms

Psalm 76; Revelation 5:1-14

SUN 05/30/2004

We are called to fix our gaze by faith upon our Great King when evil seems to overwhelm us like floodwaters. It is He that will lead the fight and gain the victory over the world, the flesh, and the devil. As His servants who gather round Him, we must also fight the good fight of faith, laying hold of eternal life (1 Tim. 6:12).

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. You, O Lord, are glorious & majestic in victory
- II. You, O Lord, are greatly to be feared in judgment
- III. You, O Lord, are to be worshipped/served with fear

Key Words -psalm 76 prayer judgment judge vows reverence psalms

Psalm 77 - We Have A Great High Priest

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Psalm 77; Hebrews 4:14-5:10

SUN 06/13/2004

Christ Jesus is not only our Prophet and King, but he is also our advocate with the Father. As our great High Priest, He has not only accomplished all that was necessary to secure a right standing before God, but He continues to make intercession for us. As one who effectively presents our prayers to God, He knows what should be the content and focus of our prayers. This psalm is useful to this end.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Prayer as a cry for help
- II. Prayer as an act of remembrance & faith
- III. Prayer as an expression of praise

Key Words -psalm 77 prayer humility honesty seeking remembrance intercession psalms

Psalm 78 - Father Knows Best

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Psalm 78; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

SUN 06/20/2004

Our Heavenly Father is not only concerned with the welfare of His children who are alive today, but also those who will follow us. He desires that we learn from the failures of the previous generations and convey those lessons to the next. Will you and I learn from history or will we become an example to avoid?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. We must be teachable and teach others
- II. We must learn from previous generations
- III. We must remember and do all that God requires

Key Words -psalm 78 father fathers history instruction teach disciple lessons psalms

Psalm 79 - For The Glory Of Your Name

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Psalm 79; 2 Thessalonians 1

SUN 06/27/2004

It is amazing to consider that God in His manifold wisdom has determined to link the revelation of his glory to sinful, rebellious human beings. Do you have the eyes to see this link and the corresponding responsibility that has been entrusted to us to participate in that glory. Is your life and prayers guided by this truth?

The outline of the sermons is as follows:

- I. The revelation of Your glory has been desecrated
- II. Restore your glory in the sight of the nations
- III. Your people will glorify your name forever

Key Words -psalm 79 prayer glory glorify name intercession hope change psalms

Psalm 80 - Salvation Is All Of Grace

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Psalm 80; John 15:1-14

SUN 07/11/2004

The Prophet Jonah learned the hard way that "salvation is of the Lord." This truth can be found throughout Scripture. It is the underlying theme of this psalm, particularly noticeable in the thrice repeated refrain (v.3, 7, 19). How about you, is it also the underlying theme of your life? If not, why not?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Because of who we are (greatly in need)
 - II. Because of who God is (sovereign in grace)
- Restore us that we may fulfill your purposes!

Key Words -psalm 80 prayer salvation Lord grace psalms

Psalm 81 - A Psalm for God's Pilgrims

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Psalm 81; 1 Corinthians 10:1-14

SUN 07/18/2004

Salvation is not simply a transaction but rather an abiding relationship with the living God. Scripture likens this relationship to a journey or pilgrimage to the Celestial City. On the way, we face many dangers, toils, and snares. Though it all He calls us to faith and faithfulness, and promised to never leave us nor forsake us.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Rejoice in God our Saviour & Shepherd (v. 1-5)
- II. Remember what He has done for you (v. 6-10)
- III. Repent from rebellion and revel in His grace (v. 11-16)

Key Words -psalm 81 prayer salvation pilgrim pilgrimage journey

Psalm 82 - Judgment Begins At The House Of God

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Psalm 82; 2 Peter 3:1-14

SUN 07/25/2004

Contrary to what modern science may believe, justice is foundational to the continuance of the universe. Though at times God's justice may be hidden by the wicked acts of mankind, yet in the end His justice will prevail. He has committed all judgment to the Lord Jesus Christ, who endured God's just wrath against sin and has also called us as his servants to exercise justice in the earth.

The outline of the sermons is as follows:

- I. God is the judge of all creation
- II. God judges the unjust judges
- III. God's justice is fully revealed through Christ

Key Words -psalm 82 prayer justice judgment

Psalm 83 - Who Dare Touch the Apple of His Eye!

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Psalm 83; Matthew 8:5-13

SUN 08/29/2004

An attack upon the bride of Christ is an attack upon Christ. He who gave His life for us will not allow His beloved to fall into the hands of His enemy. Therefore, His intercession for His church includes the destruction of those who would harm her. We can find comfort and encouragement from His great love and care.

The outline of the sermons is as follows:

- I. The machinations of God's enemies
- II. Christ's intercession for His people
- III. The purpose of God's judgment

Key Words -psalm 83 prayer intercession love judgment psalms

Psalm 84 - Draw Near To God And He Will Draw Near To You

Reverend Michael Voytek | Preaching Through The Psalms

Psalm 84; 2 Corinthians 9:1-15

SUN 09/12/2004

What is your most valuable possession? Is it not your relationship with God through Jesus Christ? How well does your life reflect this truth? Does your heart yearn for Him in the same manner described in this Psalm? If not, why not?

The outline of the sermons is as follows:

- I. The One whom we seek
- II. His abundant blessings to us
- III. Our thankful response to Him

Key Words -Psalm 84 prayer approach gathering worship psalms

Psalm 85 - Revive Us, O Lord

Reverend Michael Voytek | Preaching Through The Psalms

Psalm 85; Acts 3:12-26

SUN 09/19/2004

Oh how great is our need for God to revive us by His grace and Spirit. But how has He provided for His people in the past? In His sovereign response to their heartfelt petitions, He delights in bestowing upon His people all things necessary for life and godliness.

The outline of the sermons is as follows:

- I. Remembering past mercies (foundation of faith)
- II. Requesting present assistance (prayer in faith)
- III. Receiving future assurances (resting in His promises)

Key Words -psalm 85 prayer revive revival petition grace psalms

Psalm 86 - When In Trouble, What Do You Do?

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Psalm 86; Revelation 15:1-8

SUN 09/26/2004

Psalm 86 is a beautiful mosaic of the heart of one whose prayer is filled with God and His Holy Word. In the midst of his trouble and complaint, David's attention is focused upon his covenant Lord. He is quick to reiterate his commitment to that covenant relationship. What can we learn from his prayer?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Back to God your Lord
- II. Back to the Word of God
- III. Back to an upright walk with God

Key Words -Psalm 86 prayer David trouble revelation psalms

Psalm 87 - Glorious Things Of Thee Are Spoken

Reverend Michael Voytek | Preaching Through The Psalms

Psalm 87; Revelation 21:9-22:5

SUN 10/10/2004

This psalm provides a glimpse of God's ultimate design for His covenant people, namely that of glory and blessing (including stability, honor, acceptance, joy and abundant life). Through the perfect life and atoning death of Jesus Christ this goal is being realized and will continue until it is completely accomplished. Where is your place in the fulfillment of His purposes?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. A stable community of the living God
- II. An extensive community of reconciliation
- III. A thankful community full of joy and service

Key Words -Psalm 87 prayer church covenant community psalms

Psalm 88 - Faithfulness In A Time Of Complete Abandonment

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Psalm 88; Mark 14:27-50

SUN 10/17/2004

Jesus declared; "Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted. In the midst of great trial and sorrow, one's faith is sorely tested and its presence and depth is made evident. Believer in Christ, do you fully trust in the His promise that "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee" and "all things will work together for the good?"

The outline of the sermons is as follows:

- I. The threefold cry of faith
- II. The threefold cry of the Man of faith
- III. How great is your faith?

Key Words -Psalm 88 prayer sorrow abandonment faith cry psalms suffering pain problems

Psalm 89 - What About The Sure Mercies Of David?

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Psalm 89; 2 Peter 3

SUN 10/24/2004

Does the Bible present life a comedy or as a tragedy? The answer depends upon the where the end is placed. What may appear as a tragedy may in reality be victory, and vice versa. How will your life end and what has God provided along the way? This Psalm is designed to aid you in one's life journey and its ultimate conclusion.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Praise for the almighty power of our Sovereign King
- II. Praise for His faithful covenant mercy to David's sons
- III. But where are your former covenant mercies today?

Key Words -Psalm 89 prayer faithfulness mercy covenant forever David psalms

Psalm 90 - Our Times Are In His Hands

Reverend Michael Voytek | Preaching Through The Psalms

Psalm 90; 2 Peter 3

SUN 11/14/2004

Scripture teaches that the Lord works everything out in time and eternity according to His sovereign plan and purpose. At the same time, we struggle to understand how this is true in light of the confusing and even evil events that occur every day. It is only by the reorienting our minds according to the truth that we can find comfort.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The Lord is the great King of eternity
- II. Our lives are nothing but vapor without Him
- III. Living life in the light of the King of eternity

Key Words -Psalm 90 prayer time eternity sovereignty death life psalms

Psalm 91 - Under the Shadow of His Wings

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Psalm 91; Luke 4:1-13

SUN 11/21/2004

Where is the focus of your trust? In man, material, mind, or in the Mediator? If the later, how deep is that trust and what evidence is there to prove that it is a living faith rather than merely an intellectual or historic faith? This psalm is designed to help you answer these questions and lead you to a deeper trust.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Misunderstanding or misusing the Bible is dangerous
- II. God invites us to find shelter in Him
- III. Our calling in light of His gracious invitation

Key Words -Psalm 91 prayer faith trust shelter wings providence psalms

Psalm 92 - It Is Good To Give Thanks To The Lord

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Psalm 92; Ephesians 1:3-14

SUN 11/28/2004

Thanks and praise are the natural responses of a regenerate person to the sweet mercy of God through Jesus Christ. They are based upon the apprehension of the sovereignty of God over all of life, and especially upon the fact that He who rules the cosmos and history, also rules over even the insignificant things in one's life.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Thanksgiving as an act of faith
- II. Based upon God's sovereign judgment
- III. And upon His sovereign mercy

Key Words -Psalm 92 prayer thanksgiving thanks praise psalms

Psalm 93 - The Lord Reigns

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Psalm 93; Revelation 21:22-22:5

SUN 02/06/2005

The main message of the Book of Psalms is summed up in one phrase; “the Lord reigns.” We, as his redeemed servants, are called to rejoice and give thanks for the exercise of His divine sovereignty over the world and everything in it, both now and in eternity. This psalm is designed to assist us in this endeavor.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. In power and majesty
- II. In time and eternity
- III. In triumph over all things
- IV. In truth and holiness

Key Words -Psalm 93 prayer praise sovereignty king psalms

Psalm 94 - Revenge Belongs To The Lord

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Psalm 94; Hebrews 10:22-31

SUN 03/06/2005

How does the knowledge that Jesus Christ is King of kings and reigns over all things affect how you handle injustice and inequity in life? It should lead to personal application such as recorded in this psalm as well as other portions of Scripture. It is by obedient faith in Christ that we can find comfort and hope in the midst of evil.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Appeal to the Lord our king
- II. Speak the truth concerning the Lord our king
- III. Trust in the Lord our king

Key Words -Psalm 94 prayer wisdom vengeance revenge justice trust king psalms

Psalm 95 - The Importance of Corporate Worship

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Psalm 95; Hebrews 3:7-4:13

SUN 04/03/2005

We have been redeemed from the slave market of sin to be a community that worships our God in spirit and in truth. This corporate worship includes both a giving unto the Lord as well as a receiving from Him. Do you approach His glorious presence with an open heart and an obedient ear?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Let us worship our God with our whole being
- II. Let us not harden our hearts but listen and obey
- III. Let us labor to enter into His rest

Key Words -Psalm 95 prayer worship praise faith psalms

Psalm 96 - Sing To The Lord A New Song

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Psalm 96; Revelation 19:1-16

SUN 05/01/2005

Matthew Henry wrote concerning this psalm; "In singing this psalm we ought to have our hearts filled with great and high thoughts of the glory of God and the grace of the gospel, and with an entire satisfaction in Christ's sovereign dominion and in the expectation of the judgment to come." Amen!

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Sing to the Lord because He is your Creator
- II. Give to the Lord because He is your King
- III. Rejoice in the Lord because He is coming to judge

Key Words -Psalm 96 sing song music worship psalms

Psalm 97 - The Return Of The King Of Kings

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Psalm 97; Hebrews 1:1-14

SUN 06/05/2005

The Lord is and always has been the King of all kings and the Lord of all lords. He reigns over heaven and earth. And yet when He returns from heaven, the fullness of that reign will be made manifest to all. He calls us His servant to occupy until He comes.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. When did the Lord begin to reign?
- II. What will His return be like?
- III. What must we do in the meantime?

Key Words -psalm 97 return king kingdom reign sovereignty psalms

Psalm 98 - He Has Done Extraordinary Things

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Psalm 98; Romans 8:1-23

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The sovereign Lord God, creator and sustainer of the universe has not only through His faithfulness established the normal events and laws that we take for granted; He also exceeds our expectations by doing extraordinary things. Don't let the familiar hinder you from grasping and responding to His great love in Christ.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. What great things has He done?
- II. What should I do to acknowledge what He has done?
- III. What will He do in the future?

Key Words - psalm 98 miracles extraordinary faith essentials

Psalm 99 - Exalt Ye The Lord Our God

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Psalm 99; 1 Peter 1:13-25

SUN 08/07/2005

Holiness not only adorns God's house (Ps. 93:5), but everything He is and does is holy. He has redeemed us to be His holy ones (saints) and He commands us to "be ye holy in all manner of conversation (conduct)...for I am holy."

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Holiness (personified) reigns
- II. Holiness executes justice and mercy
- III. Holiness adorns His house

Key Words -psalm 99 holy holiness saints psalms

Psalm 100 - Know That The Lord Is God And Act Accordingly

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Psalm 100; Romans 12:1-21

SUN 09/04/2005

In Psalm 100, we reach a pinnacle of praise for the Lord God, King of the universe and Redeemer of His elect people. All creation is called to continually render praise and thank giving for His goodness and mercy. Will you join in?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. What we are called to do in order to honor Him
- II. What we must keep in mind for appropriate worship
- III. Why we should worship Him in the first place

Key Words -psalm 100 glorify praise thanksgiving worship psalms

Psalm 101 - His Throne Is Established In Righteousness

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Psalm 101; Romans 3:9-26

SUN 10/02/2005

The Scriptures declare that righteousness and justice are the foundation of Lord's throne (Psalm 97:2) and that His anointed representative was required to reflect that fact. Our Lord Jesus came to fulfill all righteousness and through His gift of the Holy Spirit, we are enabled to walk in His righteousness.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Holy and righteous is the Lord God Almighty
- II. Holiness and righteousness was revealed by Jesus Christ
- III. Holiness and righteousness is the result of His triumph

Key Words -psalm 101 righteousness holiness integrity Christ Psalms

Psalm 102 - Weeping May Endure For A Night, But...

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Psalm 102; Hebrews 1:1-14

SUN 10/16/2005

In a prayer of one overwhelmed by his affliction, we hear his cry and his faith. While in prayer, the Lord enables him and us to look beyond the immediate (my days) and focus upon God's eternal nature and purpose. It is in focusing on the bigger picture that we can get a proper perspective on the demands that we face each day.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Casting all your care upon Him, for He careth for you.
- II. Man of sorrows, what a name!
- III. Our times are in His plan

Key Words -psalm 102 affliction comfort faith purpose decrees Psalms

Psalm 103 - Bless The Lord Who Has Abundantly Blessed Us

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Psalm 103; Ephesians 1:3-14

SUN 10/23/2005

David, reflecting upon the Lord's revelation of Himself to Moses (Ex. 34:6-7), produced this masterpiece of praise and thanks-giving. Beginning with the author, this exuberant current of joy sweeps past the redeemed community and culminates in a call for all creatures to acknowledge and rejoice in God's sovereign love and care.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Remembering His all encompassing, personal blessings
- II. Recounting His compassion and mercy to His beloved
- III. Rejoicing in His universal, sovereign grace

Key Words -psalm 103 blessings mercy compassion praise worship thanksgiving Psalms

Psalm 104 - O Lord, How Manifold Are Thy Works

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Psalm 104; Matthew 6:25-34

SUN 10/30/2005

Reflecting on Scripture and the world around us is a very beneficial endeavor that is worthy of our time and effort. For example, this beautiful psalm of praise is the result of such meditation. Through it we behold the revelation of the Lord's almighty power and tender care for all creation and are swept up into the consummation.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. You created heaven and earth for your glory
- II. You open your hand, they are satisfied with good
- III. You will bring all things to your appointed end

Key Words -psalm 104 Psalms

Psalm 105 - Giving Thanks Unto His Name

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Psalm 105; Matthew 28:18-20

SUN 11/13/2005

The proper response to the many gifts that the Lord has lavished upon us is thankfulness. But how do we render thanksgiving that is acceptable to the Giver all good things? In His Holy Word we find instruction and examples to follow.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Because of who He is and what He has done
- II. Because of who we are in relations to Him
- III. How many ways can we thank the Lord?

Key Words - psalm 105 thanksgiving redemption praise Psalms

Psalm 106 - God Is Longsuffering With The Ungrateful

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Psalm 106; 1 Corinthians 10:1-14

SUN 11/20/2005

Meditating on the historical accounts of God's gracious dealings with His covenant people is not only profitable for instruction in doctrine, but also for reproof, for correction, and for instruction in righteousness (2 Tim. 3:16). In the light they shed, we can correctly examine ourselves and be restored to a right relationship with our Lord.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. We are unworthy and unable to rightly praise Him
- II. Our sins are incredible acts of ingratitude
- III. Amazing grace - how sweet the sound!

Key Words - psalm 106 thanksgiving thankfulness sin ungratefulness Psalms

Psalm 107 - Give Thanks to the Great Reformer

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Psalm 107; Luke 1:67-79

SUN 12/04/2005

The Lord reigns, let the earth rejoice! He exercises His sovereign power for His own glory and the good of His people. This is especially evident in the great reversals of life. How shall we respond? Through prayer, praise, and exercising wisdom acquired from Him.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. What wonderful works did Jehovah do!
- II. What wonderful works did Christ come to do!
- III. What then should we do?

Key Words - psalm 107 thanksgiving thankfulness reversals reformation Psalms

Psalm 108 - We Are At War!

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Psalm 108; Ephesians 6:10-18

SUN 12/11/2005

Beginning in the garden and ending at Christ's second coming, God established a war between the seed of woman and the seed of the serpent. He will ultimately win, but what part will you play in the meantime? Are you with Him or against Him? There is no neutral ground.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The power of God revealed through praise
- II. The power of God revealed through answered prayer
- III. The power of God is our strong confidence

Key Words - psalm 108 warfare battle fighting victory praise prayer Psalms

Psalm 109 - War Cry Of The Prince Of Peace

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Psalm 109; Acts 1:15-26

SUN 01/08/2006

“All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.” This includes the imprecatory psalms such as Psalm 109. The question you must answer is whether you have ears to hear and a teachable heart to receive the Spirit's message?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. What does He say?
- II. Why does He say it?
- III. What can we learn from Him?

Key Words - psalm 109 prayer lament suffering warfare imprecations Psalms

Psalm 110 - Satisfied With Answered Prayer

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Psalm 110; Hebrews 5:1-10

SUN 01/15/2006

In what way did Christ “see the travail of his soul, and was satisfied” (Isa. 53:11)? Two aspects of the answer relate to the fulfillment of the promise of the Father to Him regarding His person and regarding His people. How should you and I respond to His grace?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. He satisfied divine justice and mercy
- II. He is content with what He has received
- III. Are you satisfied with what God has given you?

Key Words - psalm 110 prayer messiah Lord Christ enthronement royal Psalms

Psalm 111 - All Praise To Christ Who Reigns

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Psalm 111; Revelation 15:1-8

SUN 01/22/2006

What should be the proper response to the truth that Christ is enthroned and reigns over heaven and earth? The author of Psalm 111 answers, heartfelt personal and corporate praise. He also furnished us with an example of what that praise should contain.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. For His covenant promises and their fulfillment
- II. For His covenant stipulations and their application
- III. For His grace that enables us praise & obey Him

Key Words - psalm 111 praise Christ enthronement Psalms

Psalm 112 - The Ideal Realized In Christ

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Psalm 112; 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

SUN 01/29/2006

The blessings of Christ's victory over sin, Satan, and the grave include not only eternal joy and bliss with God in heaven, but also an abundant life during our pilgrimage here on earth (John 10:10). He calls those who are blessed in Christ to be an instrument of blessing.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The source of all blessings
- II. The fruit of God's grace in life
- III. The danger of unbelief

Key Words - psalm 112 praise godly blessings Psalms

Psalm 113 - When Mercy Descends, Joy Ascends

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Psalm 113; Matthew 5:3-12

SUN 02/05/2006

The whole universe exists for the glory of God and praise is a primary means through which this purpose is accomplished. Because of God's wonderful works of creation, providence, redemption and sanctification, those who have experienced His saving grace desire to lift their voices (and lives) and declare "Let God be magnified."

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Praise His name, for through it we know Him
- II. for His glory transcends everything
- III. for His mercy exalts the poor and needy

Key Words - psalm 113 praise transcendence immanence mercy Psalms

Psalm 114 - Who Can Resist His Will?

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Psalm 114; Revelation 20:1-15

SUN 02/12/2006

The statement that “our God is an awesome God” is far more profound than is usually realized. He is omnipotent and exercises that power to accomplish His predetermine plan in spite of how great the obstacles that are set in His path. Praise God for this revelation of His great power and grace in past, present and future history.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. His redemptive acts reconcile and rejuvenate
- II. He breaks down all barriers to His grace
- III. He shatters the status quo of unbelief

Key Words - psalm 114 praise sovereignty freedom Psalms

Psalm 115 - Our God Is In Heaven, He Does Whatever He Pleases

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Psalm 115; 1 John 5:11-21

SUN 02/19/2006

Praise is a God-given means through which we are enabled to overcome the challenges that we face each day. By faith we look to God alone, ignore the vain inventions of men, and rejoice in our Lord's abundant grace and blessings. We live in order to praise Him.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Where is boasting then? It is excluded.
- II. Where is fear/trust then? It is encouraged.
- III. Where is blessing then? It is graciously given.

Key Words - psalm 115 Psalms

Psalm 116 - A Matter Of Life And Death

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Psalm 116; Ephesians 2:1-10

SUN 02/26/2006

Death and Hell are usually unpopular topics of discussion. Yet the Lord's gracious deliverance from them both enables us to lift thankful praise and lead holy lives before Him. We gather together as those who are redeemed from death in order to live for Him.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Praise arises because of answered prayer
- II. Praise is evidenced by a holy life
- III. Praise includes fulfilling our oaths and vows

Key Words - psalm 116 praise love thanksgiving death life Psalms

Psalm 117 - Let All Creation Praise The Lord!

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Psalm 117; Romans 15:8-21

SUN 03/05/2006

When God created the universe, He had a number of purposes in mind. One of the most important was the worship / service of the Creator by the creature. And through the completed redemptive work of Christ, we are enabled both to fulfill this calling and to call the rest of creation to join the grand chorus.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Who are called to this task?
- II. What is the basis of this call?
- III. What is the content of this task?

Key Words - psalm 117 praise worship gentiles universal Psalms

Psalm 118 - For His Mercy Endures Forever

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Psalm 118; 1 Peter 2:1-10

SUN 03/12/2006

Mankind's calling to praise the Lord included the Lord's Anointed. In this psalm we join with Him as He lifts His voice in praise and thanksgiving. In the process our faith is encouraged and we learn by example how to worship the Lord.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. We are called to praise the Lord's mercy
- II. The Messiah publicly professes His faith & victory
- III. We participate in His glory and praise

Key Words - psalm 118 praise worship Christ Messiah Psalms

Psalm 119:1-8 - Blessed Are The undefiled, Who Walk In The Lord's Torah

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Psalm 119:1-8; Titus 1:5-16

SUN 03/19/2006

The Lord delights in blessing His creation and especially His elect in Christ. Through this psalm, He reveals the great breadth of His care for us as mediated through His inspired and inerrant Word. We would do well to study, meditate and incorporate each verse into our lives.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The blessedness of those who know and obey the Torah
- II. It is He who blesses us with and through the Torah
- III. Bless me with a heart after you and your Torah

Key Words - psalm 119 walk law Torah Psalms

Psalm 119:9-16 - Blessed Art Thou, O Lord: Teach Me Thy Statutes

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Psalm 119:9-16; James 1:12-25

SUN 03/26/2006

In the light of God's revealed will for us recorded in His Word, we are confronted with the corruption of our nature and the pollution of our sins. Fortunately, our Lord provides the solution for both of these life-threatening problems. What will your response be?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Your heart's concern: sinning against God
- II. Your Lord's concern: teaching you His Torah
- III. Your response involves your whole being

Key Words - psalm 119 scripture blessed torah law blessing Psalms

Psalm 119:17-24 - Your Testimonies Are My Delight And My Counselors

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Psalm 119:17-24; Romans 8:14-23

SUN 06/25/2006

Jesus Christ taught us that when we pray to address God as "Our Father who art in heaven." This relationship to God as Father is the greatest benefit of Christ's work of redemption. Do you understand and appreciate this glorious blessing in Christ?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Our heavenly Father nurtures His children thru His Word
- II. Our heavenly Father deals bountifully with His children
- III. Our heavenly Father lovingly protects His Children

Key Words - psalm 119 scripture father children Psalms

Psalm 119:25-32 - He Is The Way, The Truth, And The Life

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Psalm 119:25-32; Hebrew 11:1-16

SUN 07/02/2006

One of the metaphors for the life of faith found in the Bible is that of a pilgrimage or journey. Along the way, we encounter many paths that ultimately lead to destruction. Thus we are in constant need of the Lord's guidance to keep on the narrow path that leads to life (Matt. 7:14). Do you realize your need and seek help from the Lord?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The light of Christ reveals the way and the hindrances
- II. He supplies His grace and spirit to those who ask Him
- III. Through Christ you can run the race set before you

Key Words - psalm 119 journey pilgrim way word guidance Psalms

Psalm 119:33-40 - Grant Me A Teachable Spirit, O Lord

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Psalm 119:33-40; James 1:17-27

SUN 08/06/2006

One of our greatest needs in this life is the intervention of the Holy Spirit to personally teach, guide, and enable us. So much so that our Lord Jesus Christ, while still on earth, prayed that this "Helper" would abide with us forever. How do you know that the Spirit abides with you and is working in you to will and do of His good pleasure?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Our ultimate teacher, guide, friend & provider
- II. What does a heart after God's heart look like?
- III. What must I do to be taught?

Key Words - psalm 119 teachable grace guidance

Psalm 119:41-48 - Life, Liberty, And Happiness

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Psalm 119:41-48; Ephesians 1:3-14

SUN 08/13/2006

Why did the psalmist spill so much ink extolling the excellencies of the Word of God? Was it not because our very existence as well as the multitude of blessing that we enjoy proceed from the mouth of God?

What is your response be to these precious gifts?

- I. God's word produces a future and a hope
- II. God's law brings liberty and boldness
- III. God's commandments are a delight to our Souls

Key Words - psalm 119 life liberty happiness Psalms

Psalm 119:49-56 - Remembering God's Law-Word

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Psalm 119:49-56; Romans 1:16-32

SUN 09/17/2006

One essential element of faith in Christ is that of knowing the truth of the Gospel. Furthermore, in order to continue to walk by faith (Hab. 2:4), we must continually bring to remembrance that truth which we have received. God in His grace has provided a number of ways to enable us to remember and grow in that knowledge.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Salvation: God remembering His Law-Word
- II. Condemnation: Forgetting/scorning His Law-Word
- III. What do you know? What are you doing with it?

Key Words - psalm 119 remember remembrance truth

Psalm 119:57-64 - What Will You Do With Your Inheritance?

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Psalm 119:57-64; Luke 15:11-32

SUN 09/24/2006

Scripture declares that the Lord has “given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue.” The question that you must answer is what will you do with His abundant gifts and blessings? Proper stewardship extends far beyond mere money.

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. The Lord is our greatest portion
- II. He has lavished upon us many other gifts
- III. What will you do with your portion?

Key Words - psalm 119 portion inheritance lot grace faith

Psalm 119:65-72 - God, Who Is Good And Does Good, Teach Me!

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Psalm 119:65-72; Luke 18:18-30

SUN 01/07/2007

Contrary to popular opinion, good and evil are not simply mental constructs or arbitrary choices. They are absolute because they are based upon the eternally good God and His revealed law-will. What will you do with this truth, rejoice and submit or rebel?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. The reality of who God is: good
- II. Our natural reaction: not good
- III. Will you humble yourself before this good God?

Key Words - psalm 119 good goodness humility pride humble Psalms

Psalm 119:73-80 - How Do I Deal With Others?

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Psalm 119:73-80; Romans 14

SUN 01/14/2007

The statement that “No man is an island” is more profound than you may realize. “For none of us lives to himself, and no man dies to himself” (Rom. 14:7). We are interconnected with one another and ultimately with our Maker.

Will you listen and obey His instructions that He has provided for your good and His glory?

- I. Your dealings with your gracious Lord and Master
- II. Your dealings with those who fear the Lord
- III. Your dealings with those who don't

Key Words - psalm 119 humility pride humble relations relationship

Psalm 119:81-88 - Consumption, Resurrection, And Resolution

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Psalm 119:81-88; Luke 2:25-35

SUN 02/25/2007

Though we pass through the valley of the shadow of death, yet by faith we are encouraged to fear no evil. Why? Because our Great Shepherd is traveling with us and through the skillful wielding of His rod and staff, He will bring us to the place that He is preparing for us. We must recognize our situation and walk by faith in His provision.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. The consumption of our personal resources is required
- II. The consumption of those who tempt us is His business
- III. His gracious revival and strengthening is our greatest need

Key Words - psalm 119 consumption resolution faith perseverance Psalms

Psalm 119:89-96 - Resting Upon God's Infallible Word

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Psalm 119:89-96; Colossians 1:9-17

SUN 03/25/2007

The universe continues to exist not because of any natural processes (laws of nature), but because of the personal oversight and involvement of our Lord Jesus Christ and the power of His spoken word (Col. 1:17; Heb. 1:3). The same can be said for our day to day existence. How does the knowledge this truth effect your life?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. The stability of life "under heaven"
- II. The instability of life on earth
- III. Our stability comes from His mouth

Key Words - psalm 119 stability word scripture instability Psalms

Psalm 119:97-104 - Oh, How I Love Your Law!

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Psalm 119:97-104; Revelation 2:1-7

SUN 07/15/2007

God so loved His elect people that He gave not only His Son, but He also graciously provides His Word and Spirit. What is your attitude toward these divine gifts? Is it heartfelt love and devotion or is it merely passive acceptance? In other words, do you love God's Torah?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Through it I receive understanding and wisdom
- II. Through it I am guided to make right choices
- III. Through it I have joy inexpressible and full of glory

[This sermon is preceded by Scripture reading.] Psalm 119, part 13 (M)

Key Words - psalm 119 love word law torah instruction standard commandments

Psalm 119:105-112 - Light Has Come Into The World

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Psalm 119:105-112

SUN 07/22/2007

Without God's gracious provision of light, creation would dwell in utter darkness and be void of life. Through His word and the Word made flesh however, we are enabled to comprehend both the beauties of creation and the blessings of redemption. What will you do with this gift?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. And God said, "Let there be light: and there was light"
- II. God's light illumines the gathering of His people
- III. God's light illumines each believer's path

[This sermon is preceded by Scripture reading.] Psalm 119, part 14 (N)

Key Words - light lamp word

Psalm 119:113-120 - I Am Afraid Of Thy Judgments

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Psalm 119:113-120

SUN 08/26/2007

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man (Eccl. 12:13). Do you fear God and express your hatred of evil by your love and obedience to His revealed will? This is the psalmist's message in our text. Does your heart resonate with this cry or is it foreign to you?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. What is it that you confess?
- II. What is it that you request?
- III. What is it that you believe that God will do?

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon.] Part 15/O

Key Words - psalm 119 respect fear reverence word scripture

Psalm 119:121-128 - Suffering For The Sake Of Love

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Psalm 119:121-128; 1 John 3:18-24

SUN 11/11/2007

Why does Christ declare that those who are persecuted for righteousness sake are blessed? Is it because those who are loved and redeemed by the Righteous One, Jesus Christ are identified with Him? And since the world hates Him, it follows that those who love Him and all that He says and does will be hated as well?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Christ's righteousness is the only righteousness that counts
- II. Christ is our Prophet, Priest, and King
- III. Do you hate false ways and love Christ's ways?

Part 16/P [Scripture reading precedes this sermon; Psalm 119:121-128 and 1 John 3:18-24]

[We apologize for the intermittent level changes in this sermon. Our wireless microphone was having technical problems during the recording.]

Key Words - psalm 119 love persecution suffering law commandments

Psalm 119:129-136 - The Wonderful Word Of God

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Psalm 119:129-136

SUN 03/09/2008

There is an infinite difference between man's word and God's word, but do you know and appreciate that difference? It is summed up in the psalmist use of the word "wonderful". Our Lord is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we can ask or think, and He chooses to do so through His infallible Word and sovereign Spirit,

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. God's word works wonders
- II. Does it have an impact on you?
- III. What needs do you have that God will meet?

Part 17/Q [Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 119:129-136 and Romans 7:12-25]

Key Words - psalm 119 wonderful word wonderworking

Psalm 119:137-144 - Righteous Art Thou, O Lord, And Righteous Are Your Ways

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Psalm 119:137-144

SUN 04/13/2008

How important is righteousness anyways? The psalmist answers, in every way both for God and for mankind. Our understanding of our state before God (unrighteousness and ungodliness) as well as His provision of deliverance from it is based upon His righteousness. What is the right response? Knowing and doing what He commands of us.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Everything that the Lord is, says, and does is righteous
- II. We are all unrighteousness and in need of His grace
- III. His righteousness is our motivation, guide, and goal

Part 18/R [Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 119:137-144 and Romans 6:11-23]

Key Words - psalm 119 righteousness righteous word testimony scripture

Psalm 119:145-152 - Resources For Godly Living

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Psalm 119:145-152

SUN 05/11/2008

Where do you turn when the difficulties or challenges arise that are beyond your ability to handle or overcome? There are many seemingly helpful resources that only compound the problem. There are other resources that enable you to glorify God and encourage and strengthen you for the future. Which will you choose to rely on?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. What are the overwhelming challenges of life?
- II. Where can I turn for help?
- III. What resources do I have available to me?

Part 19/S [Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 119:145-152 and 1 Thessalonians 2:1-13]

Key Words - psalm 119 resources godliness prayer

Psalm 119:153-160 - Give Me Life Or Else I Die!

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Psalm 119:153-160

SUN 07/06/2008

Have you come to the place in your life where you able to confess with the Apostle Paul “Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God.” The greater our need, the greater is God's grace in Christ and the greater should be our determination to show our gratitude to Him.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. “Who is sufficient for all these things?”
- II. “My grace is sufficient for thee”
- III. “My strength is made perfect in weakness”

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 119:153-160 and 2 Corinthians 2:6-3:5]

Key Words - psalm 119 grace mercy compassion sufficiency sufficient

Psalm 119:161-168 - Do You Tremble At God's Word?

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Psalm 119:161-168

SUN 09/07/2008

What kind of effect does the Word of God have upon your soul and upon your life? In your heart of hearts do you stand in awe of it or rather do you ignore it or worse still dismiss it altogether? What would others say as they observe your conversation and actions?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Oh, how I love Your law! Oh, how I hate deception!
- II. Oh, how I praise you and wait for your salvation!
- III. Oh, how I keep your precepts as You so rightly know!

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 119:161-168 ; Matthew 4:1-4]

Key Words - psalm 119 scripture word love law commandments

Psalm 119:169-176 - The End Of The Matter

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Psalm 119:169-176; Revelation 22:1-14

SUN 09/14/2008

The Preacher in Ecclesiastes summarized his message with the exhortation “Fear God and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man”. This conclusion also summarizes the message of the psalmist. It is the gift of God to rightly respond to His self-revelation.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Grace to acknowledge your wandering heart
- II. Grace to enable a response of longing and delight
- III. Grace to enable you to commune with your God

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 119: 169-176 ; Revelation 22:1-14]

Key Words - psalm 119 scripture word love law commandments grace

Psalm 120 - Longing For Shalom

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Psalm 120

SUN 02/01/2009

The world cries for peace when there is no peace for God declares "There is no peace for the wicked" (Isa. 57:21). Yet at the same time, He has provided a way to find true and everlasting peace. Do you have this peace that is a gift of grace?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. True shalom only comes thru the Prince of shalom
- II. There is no shalom with wickedness
- III. We are on a journey to true & everlasting shalom

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Matthew 5:3-16 and Psalm 120]

Key Words - psalm 120 shalom peace journey pilgrim pilgrimage ascents

Psalm 121 - Who Is Your Ezra?

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Psalm 121

SUN 02/08/2009

In our pilgrimage to the celestial city, we face mountains of dangers and challenges. Though we pass through the valley of the shadow of death, we will fear no evil, for our great shepherd is ever with us to guard and guide us.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Where is it that you look when in need of help?
- II. Our Help is also our Ruler, Guardian, Guide & Stay
- III. Our Help will persevere for us "even for evermore"

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 121 and John 10:11-30]

Key Words - psalm 121 help guardian guard keeper journey pilgrim pilgrimage ascents

Psalm 122 - I Rejoice To Appear Before God

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Psalm 122

SUN 02/15/2009

It is extremely important to fix your eyes upon the goal that your journey through life. "Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith" includes that which is His chief joy and crown, His precious redeemed bride, the church.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Where is your ultimate JOY? Being in Jerusalem?
- II. What is the chief reason for our UNITY?
- III. What is your earnest FOCUS and PRAYER?

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 122 and Hebrews 12:18-29]

Key Words - psalm 122 joy approach worship journey pilgrim pilgrimage ascents

Psalm 123 - Passing Thru An Age Of Contempt

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Psalm 123

SUN 02/22/2009

We live in an age of contempt for all things sacred or profane. Yet many do not count the cost of such an attitude and actions. Fortunately, our Lord has provided a way to escape the dangers and destruction of such a path. Will you learn or burn?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Why is contempt so dangerous?
- II. Overcoming contempt with your eyes
- III. Overcoming contempt with your lips

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 123 and 2 Timothy 3:1-9]

Key Words - psalm 123 contempt scorn prayer worship journey pilgrim pilgrimage ascents

Psalm 124 - If

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Psalm 124

SUN 03/01/2009

Although we are passing through a world that holds God and His covenantal structures and revealed will in contempt, we are not overwhelmed nor cast down. Instead, He delivers us from evil and calls us respond to His loving care.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. The Lord delivers us from overwhelming waters
- II. The Lord shatters the traps and snares
- III. Praise the Sovereign Maker of all things!

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 124 and Romans 8:31-39]

Key Words - psalm 124 contempt scorn prayer worship journey pilgrim pilgrimage ascents

Psalm 125 - Faith And Faithfulness

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Psalm 125

SUN 03/08/2009

Direction and determination are essential elements you must possess in order to arrive at your desired destination. But there is a third element that is usually overlooked, namely faith. Don't leave for your heavenly home without it.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. All the promises of God in Christ are Yes & Amen!
- II. The power of God will overcome all earthly powers
- III. Pray for His kingdom to come, His will to be done

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 125 and Hebrews 11:1-10]

Key Words - psalm 125 contempt scorn prayer worship journey pilgrim pilgrimage ascents

Psalm 126 - From Glory Unto Glory

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Psalm 126

SUN 03/15/2009

Believer, have you ever considered yourself as a trophy of grace? That the Lord Jesus looks upon you in light of all he suffered and is satisfied? How should you respond? Our Psalm suggests 3 ways to properly glorify God for His grace.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Overwhelmed by sovereign grace
- II. Continuing sovereign grace is essential
- III. Grace leads to perseverance and hope

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 126 and Romans 3:21-31]

Key Words - psalm 126 justification worship journey pilgrim pilgrimage ascents witness

Psalm 127 - How Dependent Are You?

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Psalm 127

SUN 03/22/2009

“Vanity of vanities, saith the Preacher, vanity of vanities; all is vanity. What profit hath a man of all his labor which he taketh under the sun” (Eccl. 1:2-3). Are your labors done “under the sun” or “under heaven”?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Vain is human effort without God's blessing
- II. God's blessing gives purpose and ability
- III. God's blessing gives a future and a hope

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 127 and Colossians 3:12-17]

Key Words - psalm 127 vanity vain blessings grace

Psalm 128 - How Blessed Are Those In Christ!

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Psalm 128

SUN 03/29/2009

Jesus taught us that it is “more blessed to give than to receive.” Yet it is through the gift of His perfect life and bitter death that we are enabled to be able to give something of value to others. Do you know the blessedness in Christ? If so, how are you investing those blessings for the glory of God?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. The blessedness of fearing God
- II. The further extension of God's gracious blessing
- III. The full extension of God's gracious blessing

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 128 and Ephesians 1:3-14]

Key Words - psalm 128 blessings grace family wife

Psalm 129 - In All Their Affliction He Was Afflicted

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Psalm 129

SUN 04/05/2009

Suffering and persecution are not foreign to the life experience of the people of God. Yet we do not suffer alone nor without a greater purpose. It was through His suffering and death that Christ secured for us eternal redemption and vast blessings.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. "The history of Israel is one single passion narrative"
- II. "All the time He lived on earth, but especially at the end"
- III. "Through much tribulation we enter the kingdom of God"

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 129 and Luke 19:29-48]

Key Words - psalm 129 presence passion suffering

Psalm 130 - Out Of The Depths I Cried Unto Thee, O Lord

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Psalm 130

SUN 04/12/2009

At Mt. Sinai, God revealed Himself as "Merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth, keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear the guilty." And it was at the cross and the empty tomb that this was wonderfully displayed.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. "Lord, if thou should mark iniquities, who could stand?"
- II. But there is forgiveness with Thee,
- III. That Thou may be feared."

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 130 and Matthew 12:38-41]

Key Words - psalm 130 presence passion suffering resurrection victory redemption

Psalm 131 - Like A Little Child, Walk Humbly With Thy God

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Psalm 131

SUN 04/19/2009

Blessed are those who properly understand their relationship with the Creator, Sustainer, Redeemer, and Judge of all the earth and conduct their lives in accordance with that reality. Though they will go through trials and testing, they are will not be overwhelmed, but have the peace that passes understanding.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Humility means not having to know why
- II. Humility is an attitude of child-like trust
- III. Walk humbly with the One who carries you

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 131 and Matthew 18:1-9]

Key Words - psalm 131 presence humility humble walk

Psalm 132 - God Keeps His Promises

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Psalm 132

SUN 04/26/2009

God is not like man in many ways, one of which is that he is ever faithful to keep what He has promised. He is not slack but fulfills them in the perfect time and for the right reason. Do you know His promises? Are they the basis of your daily prayers? Do you notice when they are fulfilled?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Man proposes, but God disposes
- II. God answers the desire of His beloved
- III. Is your life Kingdom-focused and promise-based?

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 132 and Philippians 2:5-13]

Key Words - psalm 132 presence ascent faithfulness promise promises

Psalm 133 - Behold, How Good And How Beautiful

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Psalm 133

SUN 05/03/2009

Every week we publically confess that we believe in the "communion of saints". But do you endeavor (make every effort, work hard, exert intense effort) to maintain that unity? Remember, our adversary's most effective weapon against the church is the wedge, his goal is to divide and conquer.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. For glory and for beauty
- II. For equipping for the work of ministry
- III. For life and eternal blessing

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 133 and Ephesians 4:1-16]

Key Words - psalm 133 unity community communion

Psalm 134 - It Is More Blessed To Give Than To Receive

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Psalm 134

SUN 05/10/2009

Our Lord Jesus Christ taught us that it is more blessed to give than to receive. In other words, in the process of giving, the giver finds himself or herself receiving unexpected blessings. You can't out give the grace of God.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. How can a mere mortal bless the Almighty Creator of all?
- II. What has Zion have to do with the blessing of the Lord?
- III. Being blessed, how can you be a blessing to others?

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 134 and 1 Peter 2:1-10]

Key Words - psalm 134 service ministry blessing

Psalm 135 - Why Praise The Lord?

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Psalm 135

SUN 06/28/2009

Praise of the Lord is not only the appropriate response to the mercy of God in Christ, but it also our responsibility as the Redeemed of the Lord. How much of your life expresses your gratitude to the Lord of glory and grace?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Because of who He is.
- II. Because of His special relationship to His people.
- III. Because of who we are in Christ.

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Revelation 5:8-14 and Psalm 135]

Key Words - psalm 135 praise alleluia worship service thankfulness gratitude

Psalm 136 - Give Thanks Unto The Lord!

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Psalm 136

SUN 07/12/2009

The appropriate response to the Lord's goodness, faithfulness and love is whole life thanksgiving. According to John Calvin, anything less is "chargeable as defrauding Him of what is justly due to Him for His benefits." Thanksgiving is not an option, but a responsibility.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Who prepared a theater of His glory (our habitation)
- II. Who conquers all His and our enemies
- III. Who will continue to care and provide for His beloved

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 136]

Key Words - psalm 136 praise alleluia worship thankfulness gratitude

Psalm 137 - A Time To Weep

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Psalm 137

SUN 07/19/2009

Life in a sin-cursed world hurts. Yet there is a God in heaven who sovereignly rules over all and is working all things to His glory and our good. Remember that Christ Jesus has gained the ultimate victory at the cross and empty tomb.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Sorrow and grief can be an evidence of a vital faith
- II. How well do you handle the world's temptations?
- III. Remember that the Blessed One will overcome

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 137 and Romans 12:9-21]

Key Words - psalm 137 weep sorrow repentance sin

Psalm 138 - A Time To Rejoice

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Psalm 138

SUN 08/02/2009

Have you ever noticed that the greater your need has become, how much sweeter is the deliverance and how easy it is to praise and thank your deliverer? Did you know that those expressions also impact both heaven and earth, and have both a present and an eternal consequence?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Our praise puts heaven on notice
- II. Our deliverance puts earth on notice
- III. He who began a good work will complete it

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 138 and Ephesians 3:1-11]

Key Words - psalm 138 praise worship thanksgiving joy rejoice rejoicing

Psalm 139 - Nothing Can Be Hid From God

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Psalm 139

SUN 08/09/2009

How precious is one's relationship with the incomprehensible God! "O the depths of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments, and His ways past finding out!" (Romans 11:33).

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. We cannot comprehend His personal omniscience (v. 1-6)
- II. We cannot escape His personal omnipresence (v. 7-12)
- III. We cannot examine His personal omnipotence (v. 13-18)
- IV. What we can do; worship and adore Him and do His will (v. 19-24)

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 139]

Key Words - psalm 139 humility workmanship attributes worship

Psalm 140 - Deliver Us From Evil

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Psalm 140

SUN 08/16/2009

Our Lord Jesus Christ knew that evil will be an ever present reality in this sin-cursed world until he had put all enemies under His feet. He taught his disciples to be sober and vigilant (1 Peter 5:8) and at the same time innocent in what is evil (Romans 16:19). Is your life consistent with His call to holiness?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Deliver us from the evil plotters of malicious violence
- II. Evil must be overcome by prayer and supplication
- III. Evil must be overcome by identification with righteousness

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 140 and Romans 3:10-18]

Key Words - psalm 140 evil deliverance salvation

Psalm 141 - No Compromise

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Psalm 141

SUN 08/23/2009

If you are truly redeemed from death and destruction by Jesus Christ unto eternal life and glory, shouldn't your life somehow reflect this radical transformation? Is your life a prayer unto God that His kingdom would come, His will be done in your life as it is in heaven? If Not, Why Not?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Wholehearted consecration unto the Lord
- II. Sincerely prays to God "Lead us not into temptation"
- III. And trusts that He will "Deliver us from evil"

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 141 and James 3:6-18]

Key Words - psalm 141 consecration examination prayer

Psalm 142 - Alone, Yet Never Alone

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Psalm 142

SUN 08/30/2009

How often does it feel like your journey through life is like trying to make your way through a pitch black cave to the faint light in the distance? Without light you stumble and fall, not knowing what the next step will bring. Are you trying to make it on your own or are you seeking the help of one who can lead you through the darkness to the land of the living?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. You hear my cry in the dark
- II. You know where I am going
- III. You are my portion and will lead me into the light of life

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 142 and Romans 8:35-39]

Key Words - psalm 142 loneliness alone shepherd prayer presence

Psalm 143 - Because Of Christ's Righteousness

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Psalm 143

SUN 09/06/2009

Based upon our own merits or righteousness, we dare not approach the thrice holy God. Yet He encourages us and even commands us to seek His face. How do we accomplish that which is impossible with men but possible with God?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. How dare you pray to God?
- II. God, be merciful to me, a sinner
- III. Revive me, O Lord, for I am your servant

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 143 and Romans 10:1-11]

Key Words - psalm 143 prayer righteousness boldness

Psalm 144 - Prayers Informed By Praise

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Psalm 144

SUN 09/13/2009

How often does your conversation with God reflect His Word back to Him? How much is it based on what He has done in the past? How much of it focuses on the present need? How much of it is filled with hope and expectations for the future?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Blessed be the Lord who has provided all things necessary
- II. O Lord my God, save me from all my enemies!
- III. And bless your beloved according to your promises!

[Scripture reading precedes this sermon: Psalm 144]

Key Words - psalm 144 prayer fog deception scripture

Psalm 145 - Great Is The Lord And Greatly To Be Praised

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Psalm 145

SUN 09/20/2009

Praise is the normal and expected response of all creation to the almighty, sovereign providence of the great King of the universe. It is so simple that a child can utter acceptable praise and yet the subject is so vast that the greatest musicians and singers of all time have only scratched its surface. The question is; How often does it flow from your heart and out of your lips?

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. The ABC's of praise
- II. Praise Him for who He is
- III. Praise Him for what He has done for you

Key Words - psalm 145 prayer praise adoration greatness great

Psalm 146 - Praise: A Most Powerful Stimulant

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Psalm 146

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How do praise and faith relate to each other? They both direct our attention and affection to the one who created, sustains, redeems, and will judge us. Furthermore, it is praise that stirs our hearts to greater love and trust in Him.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. What I will do forever – praise the Lord
- II. What I will not do (putting off trust in mankind)
- III. A divine antidote for unbelief – pure praise of the Lord

Key Words - psalm 146 praise adoration stimulant

Psalm 147 - The Good, The Pleasant, And The Beautiful

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Psalm 147

SUN 11/16/2014

How true is the old adage "Beauty is as beauty does." Physical beauty is passing (Prov. 31:30) but there is a beauty that will endure. It is found in the Maker of all things beautiful and is reflected by those who are created in His image.

The sermon outline is as follows:

- I. Praise the Lord for what He has done for you
- II. Praise the Lord for what He is doing for you
- III. Praise the Lord for what He will do for you

Key Words - psalm 147 praise worship beauty

Psalm 148 - The Roll Call Of Praise

Reverend Michael Voytek

Psalm 148

SUN 01/24/2010

What is it that unites Heaven and earth? Is it not the praise of the sovereign creator, sustainer, redeemer and judge? We are invited with all creation to fulfill our purpose and destiny. Will you hear and respond appropriately?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Heaven rejoices in the Creator and Sustainer of all
- II. Earth responds in comparable praise
- III. What about you?

Conclusion

Key Words - unites Heaven and earth praise sovereign creator sustainer redeemer judge invited creation Psalm 148

Psalm 149 - God's Beloved People in Action

Reverend Michael Voytek

Psalm 149

SUN 01/31/2010

What is the appropriate response to the magnificent grace of God bestowed upon undeserving sinners? Is it not to render thanksgiving unto Him by word and deed? Our Lord provides instruction and encouragement to fulfill our purpose through His word and Spirit. How will you respond?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness
- II. Remember and exult in His mercy and love
- III. Do the Lord's bidding throughout your life

Conclusion

Key Words - appropriate response magnificent grace God bestowed undeserving sinners render thanksgiving unto Him by word and deed? Lord provides instruction

Psalm 150 - Let Everything That Hath Breath Praise The Lord

Reverend Michael Voytek

Psalm 150

SUN 02/07/2010

We now come to the doxology of the book of Psalms (praises). We are once again called to worship and praise our great Creator, Sovereign, Redeemer, and Judge with all that we have been given. How will you respond now and into eternity?

The outline of the sermon is as follows:

- I. Where? In His holy presence (everywhere)
 - II. Why? Because of who He is and what He has done
 - III. How? With everything you have
- Conclusion

Key Words - Psalms praises Sovereign Redeemer Judge Psalm 150