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Psalm 105.

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Topics.

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- God remembers his covenant forever that he made with Abraham.
- God allowed no one to oppress his anointed ones when few in number.
- Joseph is made lord of Pharaoh's house and ruler of all his possessions.
- Israel came to Egypt; Jacob sojourned in the land of Ham.
- God sent Moses and Aaron to perform signs and miracles in Egypt.
- During day God spread a cloud to cover Israel and fire for light by night.
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- The Commonwealth of Israel.

INTRODUCTION: Psalms are songs and prayers offered to God by the nation Israel, they cover the range of human emotion, expressing praise, faith, victory, sorrow, despair, depression, frustration and the troubled heart of a mourner. They contrast the righteous with the wicked, and include the wisdom and the treasure of God's word. Psalms were written at the beginning of the 15th century BC and probably collected in their final form in the 3rd century.

FOR INFORMATION: concerning people, places and the meaning of words see the title: "Map Locations and People of the Bible," and the title: "Bible Dictionary" on Website Menu.

Book Four (Psalm 90-106)

Give thanks to God; Tell of all His Wondrous Works! Glory in His Holy Name.

Psalm 105:1-3 ----- ¹Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!
²Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works! ³Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

The Psalmist calls upon all Israel and by extension all, who belong to the LORD to tell of all his miraculous works. He then proceeds to tell of all of God's workings and then focuses on Israel's history and the LORD'S covenant made with Abraham, promised to Isaac and confirmed to Jacob.

It is interesting to notice the perspective of the writer in the following verses was that he saw everything that happened to himself and to his nation Israel whether it was good or bad as being under the control of God's hand. This was the attitude that all the faithful of the Old Testament had concerning their faith. Job and Habakkuk expressed this type of faith in the following way.

Even though Job suffered great affliction his attitude was: -

- Though he slays me, yet will I trust in him (Job 13:15).

Habakkuk begins his prayer saying, "Even though his body trembles at the power of the LORD and he feels weak and feeble because of the enemies who are coming to invade his land, he will quietly wait for the day of trouble." He then ends his prayer with the following great words of faith.

- Though the fig tree should not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines, the produce of the olive fail and the fields yield no food, the flock be cut off from the fold and there be no herd in the stalls, ¹⁸yet I will rejoice in the LORD; I will take joy in the God of my salvation. ¹⁹GOD, the Lord, is my strength; he makes my feet like the deer's; he makes me tread on my high places. (Hab. 3:17-19).

Job and Habakkuk made the LORD their fortress and refuge by making him their greatest love, their best thought and the passion of their heart and mind and rested in the knowledge that if everything fails in this life they would be raised to be with the Lord in eternal glory where happiness everlasting dwells and while living in this life rested in the confidence and faith that the Lord was with them by his Spirit, his love and his grace.

A personal note: I have seen a man born with no legs and no arms, (Nick Vujicic) who to the natural mind would appear a mistake made by God, but this man lived his life before God worshipped him and kept a right attitude as did David, Job and Habakkuk. He is an amazing testimony to the Lord Jesus Christ and went on to become one of the world's greatest motivational speakers. He is an encouragement to hundreds of thousands of people who are suffering their own difficult circumstances.

I have heard testimonies of teenage girls who have suffered absolute horror, terror and abuse find the love of God and go on to become the source of comfort to many hurting girls in similar circumstances and help them live a life of mental and emotional freedom and joy.

We may not all reach hundreds of people, but if we take the right attitude to difficult circumstance we can all be an amazing testimony to God and to those who know us. While on this side of eternity no-one is exempt from trouble and difficulty, it is the attitude and how we go through it with that makes the difference. God does not promise freedom from trouble but He does promise comfort, love and strength to cope and grow from it.

O Offspring of Abraham, God's Chosen Ones Seek the LORD Continually!

Psalms 105:4-6 ----- ⁴Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually! ⁵Remember the wondrous works that he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered, ⁶O offspring of Abraham, his servant, children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

The offspring of Abraham and the children of Jacob, God's chosen ones refer to the people of Israel. The following shows that Israel has always been a special and unique nation before God unlike any other nation.

God said: -

- Israel was his son who he called out of Egypt and he loved them when they were a child (Hosea 11:1).
- He gave birth to Israel and carried them from the womb even to their old age. (Isaiah 46:3-4).
- Israel is his allotted heritage (Deut. 32:9) and the apple of his eye (Deut. 32:10).
- Israel is a people holy to him (Deut. 7:6) and his treasured possession (Deut. 14:2).

The LORD has not spoken this way with any other nation, but God has not only spoken of Israel differently, but always dealt with them differently to any other nation: -

- To Israel God gave the Ten Commandments and showed his great power. (Exodus 20:1-17).
- To Israel God declared his word, statutes and his rules. (Rom. 9:4).
- To Israel God gave the prophets, the worship and the promises. (Rom. 3:4).

- To Israel belonged the covenant, the adoption, the patriarchs and the glory. (Rom. 3:5).
- To Israel the oracles of God were entrusted. (Rom. 3:2).
- The people of Israel are the offspring of Abraham the father of faith. (Rom. 9:7).
- From Israel's race came the Christ the Saviour of the world. (Rom. 9:5).

Added to these God said: -

- Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine (Exod. 19:5).
- The LORD has declared today that you are a people for his treasured possession, as he has promised you, and that you are to keep all his commandments (Deut. 26:18).

The Psalmist wrote: -

- God declared his word to Jacob, his statutes and rules to Israel. He has not dealt thus with any other nation; they do not know his rules. Praise the LORD! (Psalm 147:19-20).

The LORD has not given any other nations such great privileges. These are the many reasons the Jews (especially the religious leaders of Jesus generation) considered themselves to be the holy race with God and the Gentile nations to be the unclean race without God.

The thermometer of God's prophecy: it is true that Israel has been and still is a special nation to God, but since Christ death and resurrection salvation for both Jews and Gentiles is in the Lord Jesus Christ. Nevertheless Israel remains a clear sign of where we are in prophecy concerning Christ's return. It could be said that they are the thermometer of God's prophecy much like the mercury on a natural thermometer measures the heat of the day and moves up the vertical red line warning us of impending danger when the heat of the sun is reaching temperatures that are dangerous for the good health of the skin and our well-being.

Likewise Israel can be seen as the mercury of Bible prophecy in the sense that world events that come upon the nation of Israel (especially Jerusalem) are signs that give us some insight as to how close we are to that glorious breathtaking and world changing day when the Lord Jesus Christ returns in glory. But God's focus during our present age for eternal salvation is upon creating a new nation in Christ made up of Jews and Gentiles.

This new nation is also called a new creation in Christ, the body of Christ, the Bride of Christ, the church and the Kingdom of God. For further information concerning this new nation God is building in Christ see the title: "The Commonwealth of Israel," at the end of this chapter.

God Remembers His Covenant Forever that He Made with Abraham.

Psalm 105:7-11 ----- ⁷He is the LORD our God; his judgments are in all the earth. ⁸He remembers his covenant forever, the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations, ⁹the covenant that he made with Abraham, his sworn promise to Isaac, ¹⁰which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute, to Israel as an everlasting covenant, ¹¹saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan as your portion for an inheritance."

This covenant was partially fulfilled during the golden years of David and Solomon, but its ultimate fulfilment is still in the process of being fully and perfectly fulfilled in the Lord Jesus Christ the promised seed of Abraham (Matt. 1:1). James the brother of Jesus wrote, "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness and he was called a friend of God." This means that all who believe in God and have faith in His plan of salvation are not only counted righteous by faith and a friend of God, but will also receive the promise of Abraham because they by faith become children of Abraham and heirs of the promised eternal inheritance.

The apostle Paul in his letter shines a light upon this same truth stating that as Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness so then it is those of faith who are the true sons of Abraham. (Gal. 3:6-7). He goes on to say that the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the Gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, "In you shall all the nations be blessed." (Gal. 3:8). This means that those who are of faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith (Gal. 3:9) and if they are Christ's (whether Jew or Gentile), then they are Abraham's offspring and heirs according to promise God made to Abraham. (Gal. 3:28-29).

Paul amplifies this truth even further by highlighting that the Scripture says that the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring. It does not say, "And to offspring's," referring to many, but referring to one, "And to your offspring," who is Christ. (Gal. 3:16) which means the following two things: -

1. Those in Christ receive the promised Spirit of righteousness that leads eternal life through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.
2. Those in Christ are the true children of Abraham and as his children are heirs of the everlasting promise God made to Abraham saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan as your portion for an inheritance." (Psalm 105:10-11).

In chapter eleven of Hebrews (commonly known as the hall of faith) it is written: -

- By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. (Heb. 11:8-10).

The author goes on to say that all the faithful of the Old Testament lived as strangers and exiles on the earth, because they desired a better country that is, a heavenly one and because of this God was not ashamed to be called their God and has therefore prepared for them a heavenly city (Heb. 11:13-16). Likewise today Christian walk by faith as citizens not of this world, but as citizens of heaven living amongst foreigners and strangers looking forward to the same city that the Old Testament faithful looked toward, the city whose designer and builder is God that God promised Abraham and the faithful that they would receive as an everlasting inheritance. (Heb. 11:8-10).

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This present spiritual city God is building in the hearts and minds of the faithful worldwide will be a literal city on earth when Christ the offspring of Abraham returns in glory to Jerusalem the Holy city of God and gathers the faithful to himself and then rules and reigns as King of kings and Lord of lords to establish God Kingdom of righteousness, justice, joy and peace on earth perfectly fulfilling God's promise to Abraham Isaac and Jacob and all who by the same faith belong to Abraham's global family.

For further information on this city see the title: -

- Spiritual Kingdom of God in the New Testament. (ON WEBSITE MENU).

God allowed No One to Oppress His Anointed Ones when Few in Number.

Psalm 105:12-15 ----- ¹²When they were few in number, of little account, and sojourners in it, ¹³wandering from nation to nation, from one kingdom to another people, ¹⁴he allowed no one to oppress them; he rebuked kings on their account, ¹⁵saying, "Touch not my anointed ones, do my prophets no harm.

In chapter eleven of Hebrews (commonly known as the hall of fame) it is written, Abraham went out by faith with Isaac and Jacob heirs with him not knowing where he was going except that he was travelling to a foreign land because he was looking forward to the city that has foundations whose designer and builder is God which God had promised he was to receive as an everlasting inheritance. (Hebrews 11:8-10). The author goes on to say that all the faithful of the Old Testament lived as strangers and exiles on the earth, because they desired a better country that is, a heavenly one and because of this God was not ashamed to be called their God and has prepared for them a heavenly city (Heb. 11:13-16).

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In the context of these Scriptures the words the LORD'S anointed refers to the faithful of Israel and the words, "When Israel was few in number and of little account God allowed no one to touch or do harm to his anointed (v12-15) can also be said of Jesus and his followers. Jesus only began with a handful of apostles and today the city he is building is global and consists of hundreds of millions of followers.

God allowed no one to oppress His people: (v15) this was true of Israel providing they faithfully followed the LORD and obeyed the covenant they entered into with God at Mount Sinai. It is also true of those who faithfully follow Christ in that God will not allow anything to harm or rob them from their eternal inheritance in Christ.

The apostle Paul wrote: -

- I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Rom. 8:1-39).

Joseph is made Lord of Pharaoh's House and Ruler of all His Possessions.

Psalm 105:16-22 ----- ¹⁶When he summoned a famine on the land and broke all supply of bread, ¹⁷he had sent a man ahead of them, Joseph, who was sold as a slave. ¹⁸His feet were hurt with fetters; his neck was put in a collar of iron; ¹⁹until what he had said came to pass, the word of the LORD tested him. ²⁰The king (Pharaoh of Egypt) sent and released him; the ruler of the peoples set him free; ²¹he made him lord of his house and ruler of all his possessions, ²²to bind his princes at his pleasure and to teach his elders wisdom.

This Psalm began by the Psalmist saying, "Tell of all God's wondrous works," the story of Joseph is full of amazing twists and turns of God's miraculous workings. Joseph's brothers were so extremely jealous of him they threw him in a pit to die; Arabs rescued him and sold him to Egyptians; he was blamed for sexually abusing Pharaoh's wife and thrown into prison; he interpreted a dream of Pharaoh and was exalted to the King of Egypt's right hand side. He became the most powerful man in Egypt (next to Pharaoh) and saved all his brothers and their families from famine and death. Who could imagine such a thing, from a barren pit in the desert to the darkness of a prison in Egypt to being exalted to the right hand side of the king of Egypt, such were the mysterious workings of God in Joseph's life.

Israel came to Egypt; Jacob Sojourned in the Land of Ham.

Psalm 105:23-25 ----- ²³Then Israel came to Egypt; Jacob sojourned in the land of Ham. ²⁴And the LORD made his people very fruitful and made them stronger than their foes. ²⁵He turned their (the Egyptians) hearts to hate his people, to deal craftily with his servants.

Ham: is an alternate name for Egypt (Psalm 105:23, 27) (Psalm 105:106:22).

Here the amazing story of Joseph continues, Joseph had such great wisdom and authority over Egypt that he became so powerful he was able to make his people Israel stronger than the people of Egypt in that he was able to provide an abundance of food to them and being healthy and strong their numbers greatly multiplied. One of the reasons for this would have been because the women of Israel were healthy and physically strong and therefore able to give birth to healthy babies, added to this God's favour was with His people.

God sent Moses and Aaron to Perform Signs and Miracles in Egypt.

Psalm 105:26-36 ----- ²⁶He sent Moses, his servant, and Aaron, whom he had chosen. ²⁷They performed his signs among them and miracles in the land of Ham (Egypt). ²⁸He sent darkness, and made the land dark; they did not rebel against his words. ²⁹He turned their waters into blood and caused their fish to die. ³⁰Their land swarmed with frogs, even in the chambers of their kings. ³¹He spoke, and there came swarms of flies, and gnats throughout their country. ³²He gave them hail for rain, and fiery lightning bolts through their land. ³³He struck down their vines and fig trees, and shattered the trees of their country. ³⁴He spoke, and the locusts came, young locusts without number, ³⁵which devoured all the vegetation in their land and ate up the fruit of their ground. ³⁶He struck down all the firstborn in their land, the firstfruits of all their strength.

The breathtaking works of God that He did on behalf of the people of Israel continue to increase in dramatic and mind shattering power. In the next Psalm it is written: -

- God saved them for his name's sake, that he might make known his mighty power. (Psalm 106:8).

This shines a light on the truth that God did not save them for any righteousness on their part, but for His name's sake that His mighty power would be made known. Truly God succeeded in His goal, the story of the Exodus, the ten plagues and the Red Sea is engraved in the minds of every Jew and of every Christian and known worldwide whether people believe in God or not. Throughout history God performed many miracles that defy our laws of nature and stun the human mind, for the following two reasons: -

1. So that His name would be remembered throughout all generations since no other god or idol people believe in can perform such wonders.
2. To humble mankind in the hope that they might consider their mortality and feebleness to control their lives and recognising this reality seek the eternal God who does have the power to control the laws of nature and to give eternal life.

Because God's miracles do defy our laws of nature as we understand them some Christian intellectuals and scientist attempt to explain them in such a way that forces them to fit in with our laws of nature so that the secular world might be more believing in the Christian God, but this is foolishness. The whole reason God performed all these miraculous wonders that defy our laws of nature was so that He would be different and separated from every other god that people believe in since no other creature in heaven or on earth has such awe-inspiring power.

Without the awesome miraculous miracles God did throughout history on Israel's behalf He would be seen as being no different to every other god people believe in. It is hard to comprehend why people who believe in the God of creation would even consider trying to explain the miracles away especially since all Christians believe God created the universe we live in and every living creature in it.

Compared to such an awesome creation the ten plagues; the parting of the Red Sea and the River Jordan; causing a donkey to talk; making water come out of a rock and pouring manna down from heaven and such like things are all trivial acts in comparison to God creating mankind from the dust of the earth and the creation of the heavenly host, the moon, sun and stars; the earth and every living creature that fly's in the air and swims in the oceans.

During Day God Spread a Cloud to Cover Israel and Fire for Light by Night.

Psalm 105:37-39 ----- ³⁷Then he brought out Israel with silver and gold, and there was none among his tribes who stumbled. ³⁸Egypt was glad when they departed, for dread of them had fallen upon it. ³⁹He spread a cloud for a covering, and fire to give light by night.

The wondrous works of God continue to increase, the Hebrew people worked as slaves for over four hundred years under the taskmasters of Egypt and the mighty power and authority of the Pharaoh. They had no hope of ever escaping the bondage and slavery of Egypt, yet God by His mighty and awesome power brought Israel's taskmasters to their knees in such a way that all Egypt not only pleaded with the King of Egypt to let the Hebrews go, but they also gave them gold and silver to flee their land.

God gave Israel Quail, Bread from Heaven and Water from a Rock.

Psalm 105:40-45 ----- ⁴⁰They asked, and he brought quail, and gave them bread from heaven in abundance. ⁴¹He opened the rock, and water gushed out; it flowed through the desert like a river. ⁴²For he remembered his holy promise, and Abraham, his servant. ⁴³So he brought his people out with joy, his chosen ones with singing. ⁴⁴And he gave them the lands of the nations, and they took possession of the fruit of the peoples' toil, ⁴⁵that they might keep his statutes and observe his laws. Praise the LORD!

The people of Israel asked for bread and meat and God not only miraculously feed them with quail and manna in the wilderness, but also caused a river of fresh water to flow out from a solid rock for the people to drink. This was not just a one-time gush of water it was a river that flowed through the desert (Exodus 17:6)

- Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink. (Exodus 17:6).

Had God not done this they would have all died of famine and thirst in the desert of the wilderness. This is a great symbolism of the Lord Jesus Christ (the Rock) bringing abundant life to the barren heart of a human soul. Notice once again God did not do this because of any righteousness on their behalf, but because of the promise he had made to Abraham (v42).

NOTE.

There is no other nation on earth that has history with their God as Israel does. Their history with the LORD their God goes back to the beginning of time no other nation or religion can claim such miracles and wonders or history no matter what god they may believe in. Israel's love for the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob cannot be doubted even though it is true they never recognised their Messiah the Lord Jesus Christ when he came, but even this is in the sovereign will of God. The prophet Zechariah wrote: -

- On that day (the day the Lord protects the inhabitants of Jerusalem) I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem. ¹⁰"And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy, so that, when they look on him whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn. ¹¹On that day the mourning in Jerusalem will be as great the priests will mourn by themselves and each family will mourn by themselves (Zech. 12:9-14).

The Commonwealth of Israel.

It is important to understand that the promised seed of Abraham and David is Christ, all the promises to Israel are now fulfilled in Christ therefore they are not limited to Israel only, but extend and embrace all those who belong to Christ. This is because God is now creating one new nation in Christ made up of both Jew and Gentiles. (Gentiles are everyone who is not a Hebrew or Jew). This means that Jews and Gentiles become one new nation in Christ (also called a new man, a new creation, the church, the body of Christ and the Kingdom of God).

The Apostle Paul said: -

- Remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision (Jews), which is made in the flesh by hands—¹²remember that you (Gentiles) were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the *COMMONWEALTH OF ISRAEL* and *STRANGERS* to the *COVENANTS* of *PROMISE*, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you (Gentiles) who once were far off (from God) have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he himself is our (Jews and Gentiles) peace, who has made us both *ONE* and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility ¹⁵by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances, that he (Jesus) might create in himself *ONE NEW MAN* (or Nation) in place of the two (Jews and Gentiles), so making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile us (Jews and Gentiles) both to God in *ONE BODY* through the cross, thereby killing the hostility (between the Jews and Gentiles). ¹⁷And he (Jesus) came and preached peace to you (Gentiles) who were far off (from God) and peace to those who were near (Jews). ¹⁸For through him (Jesus) we both (Jews and Gentiles) have access in *ONE SPIRIT* to the Father. ¹⁹So then you (Gentiles) are *NO LONGER* strangers and aliens, but you are *FELLOW CITIZENS* with the *SAINTS* (the Jews) and members of the *HOUSEHOLD* of God, ²⁰built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone ²¹in whom the *WHOLE STRUCTURE* being joined together (Jews and Gentiles) grows into a holy temple in the Lord. ²²In him you (Jews and Gentiles) also are being built together into a *DWELLING PLACE* for *GOD* by the Spirit (Ephes. 2:11-22).

Gentiles were separated from Christ, alienated from the, Commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus they have been brought to God by the blood of Christ. Jesus has made Jews and Gentiles both one by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances so that Jesus might create in himself one new man (nation) in place of the two (Jews and Gentiles).

In Jesus both Jews and Gentiles are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit. Christ is the head of this new nation and its Jewish and Gentile citizens are now equal in status before God since in Christ we are all brothers and sisters in the same eternal family that God is now establishing in the Lord Jesus Christ throughout all nations of the world. The practical application of what this means to those who belong to Christ is that all the future and eternal promises God made to Israel also apply to them. The book of Revelation states: -

- When Christ returns in glory every eye will see him, even those who pierced him and all the tribes of the earth (Rev. 1:7).

And in Revelation chapter five we are told that: -

- Christ was slain, and by his blood he ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation (i.e., Jews and Gentiles) and he has made them a kingdom and priests to God and they shall reign on the earth (Rev. 5:9-10).

End.