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Psalm 5

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Topics.

- The LORD abhors the bloodthirsty deceit and lies.
- Through God's love, David will enter the LORD'S House.
- · David's enemies inner most-self is destruction.
- David's enemy's innermost self is destruction and rebellion.
- The LORD blesses the righteous and covers them with favour.

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INTRODUCTION

Psalms are songs and prayers offered to God by the nation Israel, they consist of five books covering 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.

BOOK ONE (PSALM 1-41)

PSALM 5:1-4

To the Choirmaster: For the Flutes, A Psalm of David.

• **Psalm 5:1-4:** Give ear to my words, O LORD; consider my groaning. ²Give attention to the sound of my cry, my King and my God, for to you do I pray. ³O LORD, in the morning you hear my voice; in the morning I prepare a sacrifice for you and watch. ⁴For you are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil may not dwell with you.

God was always the praise of David's heart and God's Spirit and love was what sustained Him and it was God's love that he most sought after. Consider for a moment David's life, he was a king who had abundant riches and wealth, a harem of the most beautiful women and was a mighty warrior, a man full of courage who faced the most horrific bloodthirsty battles and yet within was not only a humble man before God whose greatest treasure was God's love dwelling within his heart and mind, but also a man who was deeply hurt and remorseful when convicted of any sin he had committed before God. From these first verses we learn the following three things:

- 1. No evil can exist in God this means that every thought, action and deed is motivated from Holiness, love and justice.
- 2. God does not delight in wickedness of any kind this would include all forms of hurt, harm and oppression caused to others and every form of violence physical, verbal, sexual, mental, emotional and spiritual.
- 3. David saw God as his God and his King and he prayed to Him every morning.

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David's expression, "Give ear to my words, O LORD; consider my groaning" (v1) expresses morning and grief it seems that David is deeply grieved by all the wickedness he sees around him.

PSALM 5:5-6

The LORD abhors the Bloodthirsty, Deceit and Lies.

• **Psalm 5:5-6:** The boastful shall not stand before your eyes; you hate all evildoers. ⁶You destroy those who speak lies; the LORD abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful man.

From these verses we learn that the boastful, evildoers, the bloodthirsty (i.e., warmongers and murders etc.) and those who are deceitful and speak lies will not stand before the LORD.

PSALM 5:7-8

Through God's Love, David will enter the LORD'S House.

• **Psalm 5:7-8:** But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will enter your house. I will bow down toward your holy temple in the fear of you. ⁸Lead me, O LORD, in your righteousness because of my enemies; make your way straight before me.

How beautiful are these words of David, "I will enter God's House through His love." This has the following two aspects:

- 1. David will enter God's presence through God's mercy, grace and forgiveness.
- 2. David will enter God's presence through humbleness and by showing love, mercy, grace and forgiveness to others.

Righteousness in the following prayer of David, "Lead me, O LORD, in your righteousness," (v8) means lead me in love, kindness, grace, mercy and forgiveness and in the path that brings honour to your name.

PSALM 5:9-10

David's Enemies inner Most-Self is Destruction.

• Psalm 5:9-10: For there is no truth in their (David's enemies) mouth; their inmost self is destruction; their throat is an open grave; they flatter with their tongue. ¹⁰Make them bear their guilt, O God; let them fall by their own counsels; because of the abundance of their transgressions cast them out, for they have rebelled against you.

In the context of this Psalm David's enemies were most likely at one time his friends who have used flattery, lies and deceit to gain power over his kingdom.

Their inmost self is destruction: (v9) carries the idea that they have absolutely no integrity in their heart or mind; they will betray a friend without any sense of guilt and with a total lack of compassion if it means it will increase their bank account and enhance their power and empire.

Their throat is an open grave: (v9) means they use deceitful flattery and charm to seduce and entice others to go alone with their wicked schemes.

They have rebelled against you: David was not only a King of Israel he was a prophet and faithful follower of God. To rebel against a faithful ruler of God is the same as rebelling against God Himself.

The LORD blesses the Righteous and Covers them with Favour.

• **Psalm 5:11-12:** But let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them ever sing for joy, and spread your protection over them, that those who love your name may exult in you. ¹²For you bless the righteous, O LORD; you cover him with favour as with a shield.

David's words, "God blesses the righteous, and covers them with favour as with a shield,' does not mean that the faithful will never face hardships, troubles and sorrows, we know this because in the book of Hebrews we are told many of the faithful:

• Were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life. ³⁶Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword. They went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, mistreated— ³⁸of whom the world was not worthy— wandering about in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. ³⁹And all these, were commended for their faith. (Hebrews 11:35-39).

Though the words, "God blesses the righteous, and covers them with favour as with a shield," do not guarantee a life free of troubles it does guarantee that God will protect and save by grace and love the faithful to eternal life and that by His Spirit He will comfort and strengthen the heart and mind by His love and spiritually carry them through the darkness.

SUMMARY

Though David is surrounded by bloodthirsty and deceitful man, and sees wickedness all around him, he takes refuge in God and continues to sing for joy, and exult God's name and tells all who love God to do the same. David was deeply grieved by all the wickedness, lies and deception in the world, but he did not let his sorrow over the evil he saw rob him from God's love or destroy his faith in the LORD. David's faith and his love for God was not dependent on outward circumstance (good or bad), but upon his inward faith and his knowledge of the invisible, immortal Almighty God the creator of all things and source of all life.

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