

In Times of Trouble

Psalm 25

Psalm 25 is a prayer of David to God for help.

1. Prayer (1-7)
2. Meditation (8-10)
3. Prayer (11)
4. Meditation (12-15)
5. Prayer (16-22)

- Charles Spurgeon

I. We must _____ God to teach us
(4-5, 8-9, 12).

II. We must _____ to God the trials around us
(2, 15, 19).

III. We must _____ God's mercy and
forgiveness toward us (7, 11, 16a, 18).

IV. We must _____ God's character to us.

V. We must _____ our trust in God.

- A. Prayer for Deliverance and Guidance (1–3)
- B. Prayer for Guidance and Forgiveness (4–7)
- C. Assurance of Guidance (8–10)
- B' Prayer for Forgiveness (11)
- C' Assurance of Guidance (12–14)
- A' Prayer for Deliverance and Protection (15–22)

- Willem A. VanGemeren

To walk in God's ways includes several things as revealed in this psalm. It includes *prayer* (the entire psalm is a prayer). It means *to wait* on the Lord (vv. 3, 5, 21), because His timing is not always our timing. It means *being teachable* to grow in understanding God's truth. It includes *humility* (v. 9), because God gives grace to the humble, not to the proud (James 4:6). To walk in God's ways means *to obey* Him (v. 10). It means *to fear* Him (vv. 12, 14). It means to *look to the Lord continually* (v. 15). It requires walking with *integrity and uprightness* (v. 21).

- Steven J. Cole