

## PSALMS

### The Cry Of The Oppressed

#### Psalm 10:1-18

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*“Lament is the language of a people who believe in God’s sovereignty but live in a world with tragedy.” - Mark Vroegop*

#### 1. In a prayer of \_\_\_\_\_, the psalmist expresses his feelings of being abandoned by God.

- a. The presence of God is the joy of His people, but at times it feels like He is not \_\_\_\_\_ at all.
- b. God is in covenant with His people, but at times it feels like He is \_\_\_\_\_ them.

#### 2. The psalmist expresses great frustration as he indicts the proud for their wicked attitudes and actions.

*“There is not, in my judgment, a Psalm which describes the mind, the manners, the works, the words, the feelings, and the \_\_\_\_\_ of the ungodly with so much propriety, fullness, and light, as this Psalm.” - Martin Luther*

- a. The proud are indicted for acting in tyrannical ways toward the oppressed.
- b. The proud are indicted for covetous desires while \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord.

- c. The proud are indicted for their belief that God does not \_\_\_\_\_.

*“Trifles possess us, but ‘God is not in all our thoughts’.”  
- Stephen Charnock*

- d. The proud are indicted for believing that God will never \_\_\_\_\_ them.
- e. The proud are indicted for believing that they are self sufficient and will manufacture their own success.
- f. The proud are indicted for \_\_\_\_\_ that curse, deceive, and cause mischief.
- g. The proud are indicted for seeking to take advantage of and do \_\_\_\_\_ to others.

#### 3. The psalmist boldly and confidently brings his requests to the Lord in prayer.

- a. Confidently pray for the Lord to lift up His mighty hand on behalf of the afflicted because He \_\_\_\_\_ their plight and has often intervened as a tender Father.
- b. Confidently pray that the Lord will take away the \_\_\_\_\_ of those who oppress others.
- c. In faith, acknowledge the Lord as the eternal King who rules over transitory nations.
- d. In faith, remember that God hears the prayers of the afflicted and grants them the strength they need.
- e. Remember that salvation is not in the men of the earth, but in the One who said, “I am a \_\_\_\_\_ and not a man.”