



CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
NINILCHIK

WEDNESDAY PRAYER MEETING

Mid-Week Devotional

SERIES:

“Christ in the Psalms”

March 17th, 2021

“Song of Christ’s Wonderful Works
to the Children of Men”

Psalm 107

SUBJECT, ETC. — This is a choice song for the redeemed of the Lord (verse 2). Although it celebrates providential deliverances, and therefore may be sung by any man whose life has been preserved in time of danger; yet, under cover of this, it mainly magnifies the Lord for spiritual blessings, of which temporal favours are but types and shadows. The theme is thanksgiving, and the motives for it. The construction of the psalm is highly poetical, and merely as a composition it would be hard to find its compeer among human productions.¹ The bards of the Bible hold no second place among the sons of song.

DIVISION. — The psalmist commences by dedicating his poem to the redeemed who have been gathered from captivity, 1-3; he then likens their history to that of travellers lost in the desert, 4-9; to that of prisoners in iron bondage, 10-16; to that of sick men, 17-22; and to that of mariners tossed with tempest, 23-32. In the closing verses the judgment of God on the rebellious, and the mercies of God to his own afflicted people are made the burden of the song, 33-42; and then the psalm closes with a sort of summing up, in verse 43, which declares that those who study the works and ways of the Lord shall be sure to see and praise his goodness.

Treasury of David

Charles Haddon Spurgeon (1834-1892)
VOLUME V, PASSMORE & ALABASTER EDITION

(footnote added by Pastor Jon)

¹ **compeer**, n. An equal; a companion; an associate; a mate. (*Webster's Dictionary of American English*, by Noah Webster; published 1828.)

Devotional Thoughts of Christ from Psalm 107

Key Verses: *“Oh, that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men!” vv8, 15, 21, 31*

vv1-7. Call to Give Thanks to God for...

v2, Christ’s merciful redemption;
vv3-7, Christ’s guidance through dry places.

vv8-14. Call to Give Thanks to God for...

v9, Christ’s satisfying & fulfilling nature;
vv10-14, Christ’s stirring the rebellious soul unto repentance.

vv15-20. Call to Give Thanks to God for...

v16, Christ’s power to set captives free;
vv17-20, Christ’s powerful word to save & heal broken-heartedness.

vv21-30. Call to Give Thanks to God for...

v22, Christ’s equipping of saints to bring living sacrifices unto God;
vv23-30, Christ’s eternal power to calm the storms of doubt & instill peace & faith.

vv31-42. Call to Give Thanks to God for...

v32, Christ’s exalted position & abiding presence;
vv33-34, Christ’s merciful grace & holy judgment.

v43. Call to Wisely Consider These Things with the Promise of Understanding the Lovingkindness (Mercy) of Christ.

Devotional Challenge for Our Youth (& Young at Heart)

This psalm is an evangelist’s or missionary’s psalm. Surely, we are thankful for the LORD’s goodness upon us, since we are the children of God; but are we as grateful and full of praise to Him for His wonderful works to the children of men (the unsaved)?

Let the Redeemed of the LORD Say So... v2

PRAY FOR AN OPPORTUNITY to share the gospel truth of Christ with someone who doesn’t know Jesus.

PRACTICE TELLING YOUR PARENTS about Jesus until you’re ready to tell the good news to others?

PERHAPS YOU’RE NOT YET A CHILD OF GOD. The content of this psalm is for you then, because God’s wonderful works extend to those who are not saved, that is, to the children of men.

What to Pray for This Week:

1. May the blessed truth of Your Word minister to us as we pray.
2. May our prayers begin sounding like those prayed in Scripture because You're conforming our lives to Christ.
3. May our focus in prayer be upon You, and not for the ears of man.
4. Pour out Your Spirit upon Christ's church, and upon the world.
5. Purify Your children, and unite us to worship You in Christ, with one heart, one mind and one accord.
6. Raise up godly ministers unto Your harvest, and bless those who are already laboring in Your field.
7. Be merciful unto us by bringing saving faith to our unsaved family, friends, neighbors, the village of Ninilchik, and all the residents of the Kenai Peninsula.
8. Remove from us all pride, haughtiness and arrogance, and make us ever watchful against the flesh and every temptation from the enemy.
9. Humble us as we commune with You in prayer, and keep us from lip-service, from deedless word religion and heartless works religion.
10. Teach us to abide in Christ each time we pray; that our hearts may be knit to His so we may glorify You.

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