

## **EXPERIENCING DELIVERANCE FROM DESPAIR (Psalm 3)**

- *What are God's purposes for trials in our lives as believers?*

### **I. EXPERIENCING TRYING CIRCUMSTANCES AS BELIEVERS (3:1-2)**

#### **A. The Ascription about David for This Psalm**

1. David's son \_\_\_\_\_ was very \_\_\_\_\_ in appearance (2 Sam. 14:25-26), and he planned to usurp David's position as king by \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of the people (2 Sam. 15:1-12).
2. Even David's counselor \_\_\_\_\_ betrayed him. (2 Sam. 15:12; 16:15, 21-17:4)
3. In the end, David's general \_\_\_\_\_ disobeyed David's orders and \_\_\_\_\_ Absalom. (2 Sam. 18:5, 9-15, 29-33)

- *How did David's response here reflect the heart of Christ?*

#### **B. The Address of David to the Problem Solver (3:1a)**

1. The name of the "LORD" here is the Hebrew word \_\_\_\_\_.
2. This name means that God is the \_\_\_\_\_. (Exod. 3:14)

#### **C. The Acknowledgement of David about His Problems (3:1b-2)**

1. David's problems were \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. (2 Sam. 17:1)
2. David's trying circumstances involved \_\_\_\_\_, specifically that \_\_\_\_\_ had \_\_\_\_\_ him, leading to possible despair.

- *What should we remember as believers at times like this?*

## II. EXERCISING CONFIDENT TRUST IN THE LORD (3:3-4)

### A. Recalling Who the LORD Is to Us (3:3)

1. The Lord is our source of \_\_\_\_\_, like a \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The Lord is our object of \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The Lord is our source of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

### B. Calling on the Lord for Our Deliverance (3:4)

1. Amidst our trials, God wants us to \_\_\_\_\_ on Him as expressed through \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Ps. 34:6)
2. The promise we have from Him is that \_\_\_\_\_. (1 John 5:14-15)

## III. EXPECTING TRIUMPH FROM THE LORD (3:5-8)

*As believers in Christ who are walking by faith, we can expect triumph in the form of . . .*

(v. 5) \_\_\_\_\_ of body and soul. (Ps. 4:8; 32:3-5; 121:3-4; 127:2; 139:17-18; cf. Heb. 4:1-11)

(v. 6) \_\_\_\_\_ in the face of danger. (1 Sam. 17:34-36)

(vv. 7-8a) \_\_\_\_\_. (Jonah 2:9)

(v. 8b) \_\_\_\_\_. (Eph. 1:3)