

Evening Sermon Outline – May 30, 2021

“History, His Story ...” Psalm 105

I. A call to celebrate God, to thank Him, to pray to Him, to make known His deeds –

This Psalm at least the beginning and parts of it are recorded in 1 Chronicles 16 as given by David to Asaph and sung while David brought the Ark to Jerusalem. There is in this Psalm:

1. Thanksgiving -

¹ Oh, give thanks to the LORD! Psalm 105:1 A

2. Prayer –

Call upon His name; Psalm 105:1 B

3. Evangelism –

Make known His deeds among the peoples! Psalm 105:1 C

4. Singing, talking, rejoicing, glorying, seeking (which is prayer again) -

² Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him; Talk of all His wondrous works!

³ Glory in His holy name; Let the hearts of those rejoice who seek the LORD! ⁴ Seek the LORD and His strength; Seek His face evermore! Psalm 105:2-4

5. Yet, most of this Psalm is about ‘remembering’ history –

II. A history of Israel’s beginnings from the call of Abraham to entry into the Promised land –

1. God’s covenant with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob –

⁵ Remember His marvelous works which He has done, His wonders, and the judgments of His mouth, ⁶ O seed of Abraham His servant, You children of Jacob, His chosen ones! ⁷ He is the LORD our God; His judgments are in all the earth. ⁸ He remembers His covenant forever, The word *which* He commanded, for a thousand generations, ⁹ The covenant which He made with Abraham, And His oath to Isaac, ¹⁰ And confirmed it to Jacob for a statute, To Israel as an everlasting covenant, ¹¹ Saying, “To you I will give the land of Canaan As the allotment of your inheritance,” ¹² When they were few in number Indeed very few, and strangers in it. ¹³ When they went from one nation to another, From *one* kingdom to another people, ¹⁴ He permitted no one

to do them wrong; Yes, He rebuked kings for their sakes, ¹⁵ Saying, “Do not touch My anointed ones, And do My prophets no harm.”

A. Note there is a “marvelous” “wonderful” aspect of what God did from the very beginning bringing a nation out of Abraham and Sarah - :5

⁵ Now Abraham was one hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. ⁶ And Sarah said, “God has made me laugh, and all who hear will laugh with me.” ⁷ She also said, “Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? For I have borne *him* a son in his old age.” Genesis 21:5–7 (NKJV)

B. Note Abraham, Isaac and Jacob are chosen - :6

¹⁰ And not only *this*, but when Rebecca also had conceived by one man, even by our father Isaac ¹¹ (for *the children* not yet being born, nor having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works but of Him who calls), ¹² it was said to her, “*The older shall serve the younger.*” ¹³ As it is written, “*Jacob I have loved, but Esau I have hated.*” Romans 9:10–13 (NKJV)

C. Note there is a Covenant and Covenant Promises - :7-10

This Covenant is fulfilled today in Jesus Christ –

¹⁹ For the Son of God, Jesus Christ, who was preached among you by us—by me, Silvanus, and Timothy—was not Yes and No, but in Him was Yes. ²⁰ For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us. 2 Corinthians 1:19–20 (NKJV)

²⁶ For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. ²⁷ For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. ²⁸ There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ And if you are Christ’s, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise. Galatians 3:26–29 (NKJV)

D. The gist of this Covenant was spelled out in Genesis 12:3 –

³ I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” Genesis 12:3 (NKJV)

- The early evidence of God’s keeping this covenant is seen in His early protection of the patriarch’s and their families – Psalm 105:12-15

- *Yet, this Covenant Promise is spoken of throughout Scripture and is fulfilled in Christ and in the New Heaven and Earth –*

2. *Redemption / salvation from sin is shown in the accounts of Joseph and Israel in Egypt -*

A. *Sin deserves famine, not feeding -*

¹⁶ **Moreover He called for a famine in the land; He destroyed all the provision of bread. Psalm 105:16**

B. *Though Joseph was sinfully sold into slavery by his brothers, He was SENT by God to Egypt to handle the problem of the famine*

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- *Joseph had there a time of humbling / testing -*

¹⁷ **He sent a man before them— Joseph—who was sold as a slave.**

¹⁸**They hurt his feet with fetters, He was laid in irons. ¹⁹ Until the time that his word came to pass, The word of the LORD tested him. Psalm 105:17-19**

- *But also, a time of exaltation, fulfillment of God-given dreams*

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²⁰ **The king sent and released him, The ruler of the people let him go free. ²¹ He made him lord of his house, And ruler of all his possessions, ²² To bind his princes at his pleasure, And teach his elders wisdom. Psalm 105:20-22**

C. *Jacob and the other 11 sons came to Egypt, eventually he and Joseph died, but the Israelites multiplied and were all made slaves*

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²³ **Israel also came into Egypt, And Jacob dwelt in the land of Ham.**

²⁴ **He increased His people greatly, And made them stronger than their enemies. ²⁵ He turned their heart to hate His people, To deal craftily with His servants. Psalm 105:23-25**

D. *Moses and Aaron would be used to bring Israel out of Egypt, God brought plagues -*

²⁶ **He sent Moses His servant, And Aaron whom He had chosen.**

²⁷ **They performed His signs among them, And wonders in the land of Ham. ²⁸ He sent darkness, and made it dark; And they did not rebel against His word. ²⁹ He turned their waters into blood, And killed their fish. ³⁰ Their land abounded with frogs, even in the chambers of their kings. ³¹ He spoke, and there came swarms of flies, And lice in all their**

territory. ³² **He gave them hail for rain, And flaming fire in their land.**

³³ **He struck their vines also, and their fig trees, And splintered the trees of their territory. ³⁴ He spoke, and locusts came, Young locusts without number, ³⁵ And ate up all the vegetation in their land, And devoured the fruit of their ground. ³⁶ He also destroyed all the firstborn in their land, The first of all their strength. ³⁷ He also brought them out with silver and gold, And there was none feeble among His tribes. ³⁸ Egypt was glad when they departed, For the fear of them had fallen upon them. Psalm 105:26-38**

Deliverance from Egypt is like our deliverance from sin: not without a struggle and only with the power of God!

E. *God would also lead them through the wilderness, give them the law and with Joshua lead them into the Promised Land -*

³⁹ **He spread a cloud for a covering, And fire to give light in the night.**

⁴⁰ **The people asked, and He brought quail, And satisfied them with the bread of heaven. ⁴¹ He opened the rock, and water gushed out; It ran in the dry places like a river. ⁴² For He remembered His holy promise, And Abraham His servant. ⁴³ He brought out His people with joy, His chosen ones with gladness. ⁴⁴ He gave them the lands of the Gentiles, And they inherited the labor of the nations, ⁴⁵ That they might observe His statutes And keep His laws. Psalm 105:39-45 A**

- *God lead them through the wilderness with His cloud / fire - :39*

- *He provided for their needs - :40-41*

- *He brought them into the promised land – 42-45, by Joshua, not Moses*

- *Jesus is our Joshua!*

¹⁷ **For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. John 1:17**

“Run, John, run, the law commands, but gives us neither feet, nor hands... Far better news the Gospel brings, it bids us “fly” and gives us wings!” John Bunyan

III. *Just as God deserves praise for redeeming His people from Egypt, so He deserves praise for redeeming us from sin -*

Praise the LORD! Psalm 105:45 B (NKJV)

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