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Fourth Baptist Church

## **Bitter Betrayal**

Psalm 55

*We can cast our care upon the Lord because He cares for us (1 Pet 5:7). He cares for us because He has suffered in the same ways that we suffer (Heb 4:14-15).*

I. David's \_\_\_\_\_ Described (1-7)

A. \_\_\_\_\_ by the \_\_\_\_\_ (1-3)

B. \_\_\_\_\_ by the \_\_\_\_\_ (4-7)

II. David's \_\_\_\_\_ Identified (9-15)

III. David's \_\_\_\_\_ Activated (16-23)

We don't know exactly when this happened in David's life – if it was before or after his sin with Bathsheba and cover-up murder of Uriah. Yet the connection of David's words here with his sin against Uriah is stunning. What David was unwittingly describing in this moving passage was also the essence of his own treachery to Uriah, one of his staunchest friends (2 Samuel 23:39).

- Derek Kidner

Fear leads only to desire to flee. Fury only emphasizes the consciousness of the wrong. Faith alone creates courage.

- G. Campbell Morgan