

PSALM 21 – Joy in the Salvation of the LORD!

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THANK YOU LORD FOR SAVING MY SOUL! –

Thank you, Lord, for saving my soul. Thank you, Lord, for making me whole.

Thank you, Lord, for giving to me, Thy great salvation so rich and free!

PSALM 21

In Psalm 20, David offered a prayer unto the Lord. He asked the Lord to hear him in the day of trouble. To send him help. To strengthen him. To grant unto him according to God's own heart, to fulfill the counsel. And the prayer was, Lord, fulfill all of my petitions. Now it is felt that Psalm 21 was written in response to the Lord's answer to David's prayer. If Psalm 20 was a prayer out of trouble, he was needing help, crying unto the Lord. The Lord helped him and so Psalm 21 is a psalm of acknowledgment of the help of the Lord. After the battle, thanking the LORD for answered prayer!

PSALM 21 - The King Rejoices in the Lord's Strength – To the Chief Musician - A Psalm of David

A thanksgiving for victory – verses 1-6

Psa 21:1 The king shall have joy in Your strength, O LORD; And in Your salvation how greatly shall he rejoice!

- All of us have prayed in the time of trouble. It's almost a natural response when we're in trouble to call unto the Lord.
- Not all of us have stopped when the Lord has answered to give thanks.

Psa 21:2 You have given him his heart's desire, And have not withheld the request of his lips. Selah

- "Selah" is thought to be an interlude, acknowledging now the fact that God has answered prayer; taking time out to offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving unto the Lord; then the offering being completed, he continued his praises.

Psa 21:3 For You meet him with the blessings of goodness; You set a crown of pure gold upon his head.

- Likely this was the time when David conquered one of the enemies, took the crown of the king's crown of gold, and put it on his head.

Psa 21:4 He asked life from You, and You gave it to him—Length of days forever and ever.

- The Lord had given a promise of the Messiah to David that there should never cease one to sit upon the throne of his seed, thus talking now of this promised Messiah,

Psa 21:5 His glory is great in Your salvation; Honor and majesty You have placed upon him.

Psa 21:6 For You have made him most blessed forever; You have made him exceedingly glad with Your presence.

- Introducing the promise of the Messiah, the psalmist speaks then of His glory and of the blessedness that God would bestow upon him.

Confidence of Further Success – verses 7-13

Psa 21:7 For the king trusts in the LORD, And through the mercy of the Most High he shall not be moved.

Psa 21:8 Your hand will find all Your enemies; Your right hand will find those who hate You.

Psa 21:9 You shall make them as a fiery oven in the time of Your anger; The LORD shall swallow them up in His wrath, And the fire shall devour them.

- There is that day of coming judgment, described it in the book of Revelation when the fiery judgment of God will devour His adversaries.
- The psalmist looks ahead now to that day when God will judge the earth. And those that have turned the hearts against the Lord.

Psa 21:10 Their offspring You shall destroy from the earth, And their descendants from among the sons of men.

- They will be cut off. They will not be allowed to continue on into the kingdom age.

Psa 21:11 For they intended evil against You; They devised a plot which they are not able to perform.

- Like the second psalm, **Psa 2:1-3** *Why do the nations rage, And the people plot a vain thing? [2] The kings of the earth set themselves, And the rulers take counsel together, Against the LORD and against His Anointed, saying, [3] "Let us break Their bonds in pieces And cast away Their cords from us."*

Psa 21:12 Therefore You will make them turn their back; You will make ready Your arrows on Your string toward their faces.

Psa 21:13 Be exalted, O LORD, in Your own strength! We will sing and praise Your power.

- A psalm that looks forward to the day of the Lord when the promised King will sit upon the throne, bringing the enemies of the Lord into judgment.

SUMMARY:

- God does answer our prayers! He does notice when we say, “Thank You”!
- Those that pray in the time of trouble are many. Those who stop to give thanks when the Lord has answered the prayer are few.
- May we like the psalmist, recognize and give thanks to God for His hand in delivering, strengthening and helping us!

THE LOVE OF GOD - Frederick Lehman – Phelps, Penrod & Gardner

The love of God is greater far Than tongue or pen can ever tell; It goes beyond the highest star, And reaches to the lowest hell; The guilty pair, bowed down with care, God gave His Son to win; His erring child He reconciled, And pardoned from his sin.

Refrain:

Oh, love of God, how rich and pure! How measureless and strong! It shall forevermore endure— The saints’ and angels’ song.

Could we with ink the ocean fill, And were the skies of parchment made, Were every stalk on earth a quill, And every man a scribe by trade; To write the love of God above Would drain the ocean dry; Nor could the scroll contain the whole, Though stretched from sky to sky. (Refrain)

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