

ENTRUSTING TRUTH



A Walk Through Psalm 107 – Part 5

- 1 **Oh give thanks** to the Lord, **for** He is good, **For** His **lovingkindness** is **everlasting**.

Substantiation/Reason for giving thanks – the goodness and lovingkindness of God.
Temporal – this goodness and lovingkindness is eternal
So the beginning point of this Psalm is the eternal unchanging character and majesty of God.
- 2 **Let the redeemed of the Lord say so**, Whom He has redeemed **from** the hand of the adversary

Locative/Implied Substantiation – the redeemed were in the grasp of the enemy the location is not specific in fact nebulous.
The Lord is portrayed as He who saved from this situation/location. The implication is this redemptions should be acknowledged.
- 3 **And** gathered **from** the lands, **From** the east and **from** the west, **From** the north and **from** the south.

Continuation of the previous point – Locative – Particularization of from where the redeemed were gathered.
- 4 They wandered **in** the wilderness **in** a desert region; They did not find a **way** to an inhabited city.

Becoming more specific Locative Particularization – in the wilderness specifically the desert
Problem: they could not find an inhabited city.
- 5 **They were hungry and thirsty**; Their soul fainted **within** them.

More expansion of their condition physically hungry and thirsty.
Then – Locative – their internal condition was deteriorating.
- 6 **Then** they cried out to the Lord **in** their trouble; He delivered them **out of** their distresses.

Temporal/Sequence/Effect – they cried out – in = locative in a sense they were situated, dwelling in a state of trouble.
The Lord delivered them out of = locative again in a sense and based on the next verse physical reality...

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- 7 He led them also **by** a straight way, **To** go **to** an inhabited city.
- 8 Let them give thanks to the Lord **for** His lovingkindness, And **for** His wonders to the sons of men!
- 9 **For** He has satisfied the thirsty soul, And the hungry soul He has filled **with** what is good.
- 10 There were those who dwelt
in darkness and
in the shadow of death, Prisoners
in misery and chains,
- 11 **Because** they had rebelled against the words of God
And spurned the counsel of the Most High.
- 12 **Therefore** He humbled their heart **with** labor; They stumbled and there was none to help.
- 13 **Then** they cried out to the Lord in their trouble; He saved them **out** of their distresses.
- 14 He brought them **out** of darkness **and** the shadow of death **And** broke their bands apart.
- 15 Let them give thanks to the Lord **for** His lovingkindness, And **for** His wonders to the sons of men!
- 16 **For** He has shattered gates of bronze And cut bars of iron asunder.
- 17 Fools, **because** of their rebellious way, And **because** of their iniquities, were afflicted.
- 18 Their soul abhorred all kinds of food, And they drew **near** to the gates of death.
- 19 **Then** they cried out to the Lord **in** their trouble; He saved them **out** of their distresses.

Instrumentation/Means – led by a straight way; there was no detour or side trip. “To” Purpose – the aim of the leading was “to” Locative – an inhabited city

Causation/Result – the psalmist states that the appropriate response to what the Lord has done is thankfulness.

Substantiation – this is interesting. Here the psalmist is substantiating thankfulness by echoing the solving of the problem in verse 5 – but he moves the argument from physical to spiritual. He equates the physical hunger and thirst in 5 to a spiritual hunger and thirst.

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- 20 **He sent His word and healed them**, And delivered them from their destructions.
- 21 Let them give thanks to the Lord for His lovingkindness, And for His wonders to the sons of men!
- 22 Let them also offer sacrifices of thanksgiving, And tell of His works with joyful singing.
- 23 **Those who go down to the sea in ships**, Who do business on great waters;
- 24 They have seen the works of the Lord, And His wonders in the deep.
- 25 For He spoke and raised up a stormy wind, Which lifted up the waves of the sea.
- 26 They rose up to the heavens, they went down to the depths; Their soul melted away in their misery.
- 27 They reeled and staggered like a drunken man, And were at their wits' end.
- 28 Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, And He brought them out of their distresses.
- 29 He caused the storm to be still, So that the waves of the sea were hushed.
- 30 Then they were glad because they were quiet, So He guided them to their desired haven.
- 31 Let them give thanks to the Lord for His lovingkindness, And for His wonders to the sons of men!
- 32 Let them extol Him also in the congregation of the people, And praise Him at the seat of the elders.
- 33 **He changes** rivers into a wilderness And springs of water into a thirsty ground;
- 34 A fruitful land into a salt waste, Because of the wickedness of those who dwell in it.
- 35 **He changes** a wilderness into a pool of water And a dry land into springs of water;
- 36 And there He makes the hungry to dwell, So that they may establish an inhabited city,
- 37 And sow fields and plant vineyards, And gather a fruitful harvest.

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- 38 **Also** **He blesses** them **and** they multiply greatly, **And** **He does not let** their cattle decrease.
- 39 **When** they are diminished and bowed down **Through** oppression, misery and sorrow,
- 40 **He pours** contempt upon princes And makes them wander **in** a pathless waste.
- 41 **But** **He sets** the needy securely on high **away** from affliction, And makes his families like a flock.
- 42 The upright see it and are glad; **But** all unrighteousness shuts its mouth.
- 43 Who is wise? **Let him give heed** to these things, And consider the **lovingkindnesses** of the Lord.