

God Saves The Righteous

Part 1

Psalm 34

Of David. When he pretended to be insane before Abimelek, who drove him away, and he left.

“¹ I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips.² I will glory in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.³ Glorify the LORD with me: let us exalt his name together.⁴ I sought the LORD, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears.⁵ Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame.⁶ This poor man called, and the LORD heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles.⁷ The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them.⁸ Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.⁹ Fear the LORD, you his holy people, those who fear him lack nothing.¹⁰ The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.¹¹ Come, my children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.¹² Whoever of you loves life and desires to see many good days,¹³ keep your tongue from evil and your lips from telling lies.¹⁴ Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.¹⁵ The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, and his ears are attentive to their cry;¹⁶ but the face of the LORD is against those who do evil, to blot out their name from the earth.¹⁷ The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles.¹⁸ The LORD is close to the broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.¹⁹ The righteous person may have many troubles, but the LORD delivers him from them all;²⁰ he protects all his bones, not one of them will be broken.²¹ Evil will slay the wicked; the foes of the righteous will be condemned.²² The LORD will rescue his servants; no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.” (Psalm 34:1-22)

God had helped King David to flee away from King Saul and granted him the wisdom how to behave and act among the non-believers. For when we went to *Achish king of Gath* God gave him the wisdom to act as mad man and that result in saving his life as we can read here: *“¹¹ But the servants of Achish said to him, ‘Isn’t this David, the king of the land? Isn’t he the one they sing about in their dances: “Saul has slain his thousands, and David his tens of thousands?”’¹² David took these words to heart and was very much afraid of Achish king of Gath.¹³ So he feigned insanity in their presence; and while he was in their hands he acted like a madman, making marks on the doors of the gate and letting saliva run down his beard.¹⁴ Achish said to his servants,*

‘Look at the man! He is insane! Why bring him to me?’¹⁵ Am I so short of madmen that you have to bring this fellow here to carry on like this in front of me? Must this man come into my house?’” (1Samuel 21:11-15)
In response to that saving power and act of God David sang to the LORD Psalm 34.

¹ I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips: As God saved his life then God deserves that honour from David. Not only from David, but from every one of us; don’t forget that the LORD had helped you much and repeatedly had rescued you and saved your life from the hands of the wicked men.

² I will glory in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice: That was David’s decision and his stand to glorify the LORD and to testify about His goodness of what He had done in David’s life. May be some people would be upset especially his enemies when they would hear that God had saved David’s life. But for David he did not care about the opinion of such kind of evil people who has no regard to God’s word. Still for him his testimony would encouraged those who are humble and poor in spirit and will help them to trust God more and encourage them to continue to call on the name of LORD for deliverance believing that HE can do it for them as He did it for David.

As we read what God had done for David and how he miraculously saved him and rescued him from the traps of the enemy, our hearts rejoice and our hope restored and be assured that God who worked it out for David He will work it out for us today.

³ Glorify the LORD with me: let us exalt his name together: For what He had done, David is calling the people around him to glorify the name of the LORD, saying, *‘let us exalt his name together.’* Glorifying God will be a contagious thing that we love to do as we see His graceful hand reaching us and saving us from troubles.

⁴ I sought the LORD, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears: David is telling us what the LORD had done to him. As he sought the LORD God He delivered him from all his fear. If you start to trust God and seek Him with all your heart, God is able to deliver you from all your fears and remove all your anxieties.

People have different kinds of fear about the future, about health, finances, age factor, concern for children, concern for family, etc. But God is able to interfere in their lives and bring peace and assurance in their mid. Same to you, whatever fear that you may face, Jesus promise is standing for your behalf, ²⁷ ***Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.***” (John 14:27)

⁵ ***Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame:*** Those who trust God, He will not put them to shame. People now a days they trust people, positions, money, qualifications, power, but all these things may not help them in their lives and they will be put to shame. Those who fix their eyes on Jesus and on His word and continue to obey what His word says the LORD will uphold them with His grace.

⁶ ***This poor man called, and the LORD heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles:*** The poor man is the man who has no mean to fight for himself and his rights. He may not have power, money or position or people to help him. But since he called on God and the LORD heard him then he is no more poor man because God had delivered him from all his problems.

People they use to have friends with influential or rich people with high position thinking that those people are able to help them when they are in troubles. But that is not the case in realities. As you put your trust on such kind of things, sooner or later God will work it out that the same thing that you had put your trust in, God will use it to put you down, to make you know that you need to trust God alone. The LORD may use people, money, position, power, etc, to save you from troubles but you yourself you need to put your trust on God alone and not on other things.

⁷ ***The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them:*** The angel of God, the LORD use to protect and to save His people those who fear Him. The angel of God they encamp or they are available around those who fear the LORD. Therefore to fear the LORD, not doing evil but doing what is required of you that will ensure that the angel of God is at your side to help you and protect you, ***“Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?”*** (Hebrews 1:14) ¹¹ ***For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways;*** ¹² ***they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.***” (Psalm 91:11-12)

⁸ ***Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him:*** David is encouraging us to believe and trust that God is good. And to taste how He can do great and wonderful miracles for us and help us in our lives and provide all the good things for us who fear Him.

Blessed is the one who takes refuge in him: If you train yourself to run to the LORD in the times of your trouble then you will be blessed by the LORD. People might run in times of their troubles to friends, neighbours, relatives, doctors, hospitals, banks, police, etc. But ourselves let us train ourselves to take refuge in the LORD.

⁹ ***Fear the LORD, you his holy people, those who fear him lack nothing:*** Fearing God and obeying Him will remove other fear from our lives, the fear of lacking to have the important and the essential things in life. As you fear God you will not lack good health, the peace of mind, the daily provision, the wisdom to solve problems, the guidance to take the right step at the right time, the favour in the eyes of God and men, and the divine power that has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of Him who called us by his own glory and goodness.

If you want to live for God then He is for you and beside you to sustain you in your life. In whatever spiritual situation you are now in life as you put your trust in God, He is going to start with you and help you and sustain you in your living and struggles. Your fear He will deal with and will calm you down and gives you assurance for your present and future life. Your problems He will hold and solve, and your emergencies he can handle as you take refuge in Him.

My Dear and Beloved: Even you are poor and might be without money, power, friends or influential position. Even if no one desiring you or favouring you. But you trust God, for He can help you and deliver you and sustain you and build you up as you put your trust on Him and agree to pray.

My Prayer: *Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the Cross for my sins and rose from the dead to give me eternal. Thank you for your encouraging word that brought inside of me the revival that I need this very day to once again to trust you. Lord I take refuge in you, I commit the following fears and problem _____ I trust you that you can solve it to me in Jesus name Amen.*