

THE WAYFARER'S COMPANION

SERMONS FROM THE PSALTER

HYMN 5 "A TESTIMONY OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS" "How and Why God Works... and When and Why He Doesn't!" (Psalm 66)

INTRODUCTION:

THE DEDICATION & DESIGNATION OF THE PSALM:

"For the choir director. A Song. A Psalm."

THE STRUCTURE OF THE PSALM:

1. THE	:
Stanza 1 (v. 1-4) Stanza 2 (v. 5-7) Stanza 3 (v. 8-12)	
Stanza 4 (v. 13-15) Stanza 5 (v. 16-20) } The	
2. THE	:
1. The "Shout joyfully to God, <u>all t</u>	_(Stanza 1)
2. The "Bless <u>our God</u> , O peoples	_
3. The "I shall come into your hous	_ <mark>(Stanza 4 & 5)</mark> e with burnt offerings" (v. 13)
3. THE	
1. The Invitation of the	: (v. 5) what He has done for!
• Come and	what He has done for!
2. The Invitation of the	: (v. 16)
• Come and	: (v. 16) what He has done for!

1A. GOD WORKS WONDERS AND DIS FOR THE	PLAYS HIS POWER <i>(Stanza 1; v. 1-4)</i> OF HIS
"Shout joyfully to God, all the earth; Sing the glory of His name; Make His praise glorious. Say to God, 'How awesome are Your worl	(s!') The
Because of the greatness of Your power Your enemies will give feigned obediend All the earth will worship You, And will sing praises to You; They will sing praises to Your name."	

—Psalm 66:1-4

2A. GOD WORKS WONDERS AND DISPLAYS HIS POWER... (*Stanza 2 & 3; v. 5-12*) ... FOR THE ______ OF HIS ______.

1B. In us... (v. 5-6)

"He turned the sea into dry land; They passed through the river on foot..."

2B. In ______ us... (v. 7)

"He rules by His might forever ... "

3B. In ______ us... (v. 8-10)

"For You have tried us, O God; <u>You have refined</u> us as silver is refined."

4B. In us... (v. 11-12)

"We went through fire and through water, Yet You brought us out into a place of abundance."

2A. GOD WORKS WONDERS AND DISPLAYS HIS POWER... (Stanza 4 & 5; v. 13-20) ...IN RESPONSE TO ______ FROM A ______.

"If I regard wickedness in my heart, The Lord will not hear; But certainly God has heard; He has given heed to the voice of my prayer. Blessed be God, Who has not turned away my prayer Nor His lovingkindness from me."

—Psalm 66:1-4

• Until I am willing to deal with	,	sin,
God will not	nor	to my prayer

CONCLUSION:

