

“The Ebb and Flow of Providence” – pt. II

Text: Psalm 44:9-26

Scripture reading: Romans 8:26-39

I. A conquering confession – vv. 1-8 (last week)

II. A concerned confrontation – vv. 9-22

A) A troubling change – vv. 9-16 (Pr. 21:1)

B) A dedicated defense – vv. 17-22

Two reasons that Israel’s affliction was not due to their sin:

1.

-Ps. 44:20-21

2.

- Rom. 8:35-39

III. A convicted cry – vv. 23-26

A) Convicted complaint – vv. 23-24

B) Convicted appeal – vv. 25-26

Conclusion: Learning from a lament...

1. _____ in prayer:

2. _____ in prayer:

3. _____ in prayer:

4. _____ in prayer:

5. _____ in prayer:

“Let us often and with delight dwell on the glorious theme of redemption. Let us not forget to mention it in our prosperity. In adversity let us remember the worst would have come on us forever, but for redemption.” -William S. Plumer; America pastor/theologian; 1802-1880

SERMON QUOTES:

Introduction

Dr. Will Varner, on the value of the psalms,

“...The prominent role of the Lament Psalms, alongside the Psalms of Praise, as vehicles of honest prayer when we just don’t understand the ways of God.”

II. A concerned confrontation – vv. 9-22

A) A troubling change – vv. 9-16

Anderson, quoted by W. Plumer,

“Thou hast sold us to our enemies at whatever price they would give; like a person who sells things that are useless at any price, not so much for the sake of gain as to get quit (or get rid) of what he considers of no value and burdensome.”