

## **“From Pit to Praise”**

Text: Psalm 40

Scripture reading: Hebrews 10:1-10

Intro.: John. 1:1-13

### **I. The promise of God’s deliverance – vv. 1-5**

A) The pit of destruction – vv. 1-2 (Jon. 2:5-6; Is. 51:1)

B) The song of praise – vs. 3

C) The wonders of God – vv. 4-5

### **II. The proclamation of God’s lovingkindness – vv. 6-12 (Heb. 10:5-7)**

A) The desire to obey – vv. 6-8

B) The cheerfulness to proclaim – vv. 9-10

C) The disposition to rescue – vv. 11-12

### **III. The praise for God's salvation – vv. 13-17**

A) The cry for protection – vv. 13-15

B) The call for worship – vs. 16

C) The comfort for affliction – vv. 12-13

**Conclusion:** Remembering the sacrifice of Christ on the cross...

1) Remember your own \_\_\_\_\_.

2) Remember God's compassion \_\_\_\_\_.

3) Remember that God alone is \_\_\_\_\_.

*“The greater the trial, the greater is the deliverance, and the more joyous and loud should be the song which we sing to the praise and glory of God.”* -William Plumer; American preacher; 1759-1850

## SERMON QUOTE:

### **I. The promise of God's deliverance – vv. 1-5**

#### A) The pit of destruction – vv. 1-2

Matthew Henry,

*“Look unto the rock whence you were hewn”; “look unto the hole of the pit out of which you were digged, as clay, when God formed you into a people.”* Note, It is good for those that are privileged by a new birth to consider what they were by their first birth, how they were *conceived in iniquity and shapen in sin*. That which is *born of the flesh is flesh*. How hard was that rock out of which we were hewn, unapt to receive impressions, and how miserable *the hole of that pit out of which we were digged!* The consideration of this should fill us with low thoughts of ourselves and high thoughts of divine grace.”