

## The Interlude – The Value of Selah

Full Experience of Salvation Series (FES-06)

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### Full Experience of Salvation

1 Peter 2:2 (NLT2) Like newborn babies, you must crave pure spiritual milk so that you will grow into a full experience of salvation. Cry out for this nourishment.

- John 17:3
- Philippians 3:10 Amplified
- A.W. Tozer – The Dangers of a Shallow Faith – subtitled Awakening from Spiritual Lethargy
- John 7:24 (NLT2) Look beneath the surface so you can judge correctly.”
- Theme – drawing nearer – because I am near sighted and looking beneath the surface so I can judge correctly
  - Things of earth – staining your lenses – dimmed
  - Colossians 3 – A view from above
    - Minds set on things above
    - Thoughts on heavenly realities
- Psalm 15:1-2
- Psalm 19:12-13 (NLT2) 12 How can I know all the sins lurking in my heart? Cleanse me from these hidden faults. 13 Keep your servant from deliberate sins! Don't let them control me. Then I will be free of guilt and innocent of great sin.
- Psalm 19:7-8
  - Instructions – prefect – reviving the soul
  - Decrees – trustworthy – making wise the simple
  - Commandments – right – bringing joy to the heart
  - Commands – clear – giving insight for living

### The Interlude – the value of the Selah

- Interlude – intervening episode, period, space, an instrumental passage or a piece of music between the parts of a song
- Selah – an indication of pause, reflection
- Psalm 49:1-4 (NLT2) 1 Listen to this, all you people! Pay attention, everyone in the world! 2 High and low, rich and poor—listen! 3 For my words are wise, and my thoughts are filled with insight. 4 I listen carefully to many proverbs and solve riddles with inspiration from a harp.

(I listened to these sayings. And now, with my harp, I will sing and make the hidden meaning clear.)

- Revelation in times of reflection
- Inspiration from music
- Revelation (riddles solved) from that inspiration
- Let the interlude (the Selah) be a **time of listening during your worship** – opportune time to receive wisdom, insight, revelation
- Let your **time in the Lord's presence** be the interlude (and even the intro) of your day
- Let the **gathering with God's people** be the interlude of your week (Sunday gatherings, Small group, One-on-ones)

### The Interlude in your prayer – Pause, Reflect, Listen

- Habakkuk 3:1-2 (NLT2) 1 This prayer was **sung** by the prophet Habakkuk: 2 I have heard all about you, LORD. I am filled with awe by your amazing works. In this time of our deep need, help us again as you did in years gone by. And in your anger, remember your mercy.

### Prayer in Song

- Matthew 6:5-13

*Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name*

*Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven*

*Give us this day our daily bread*

*And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us*

*Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil*

*For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever Amen*

### Not only private but among yourselves

- Ephesians 5:17-19 (NLT2) 17 Don't act thoughtlessly, but understand what the Lord wants you to do. 18 Don't be drunk with wine, because that will ruin your life. Instead, be filled with the Holy Spirit, 19 singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, and making music to the Lord in your hearts.