

# **Psalms 107-108 – 2 November 2025**

## **“Then They Cried Out To The Lord”**

### Introduction

\*This is 1<sup>st</sup> of about 12 messages in the 5<sup>th</sup> & final Book of Psalms

\*Psalms - the Israeli Hymnbook or Book of Praises

\*Many times when we're in trouble, we wonder where to get the answers we need

\*Well the only answer that's sufficient, is that when we find ourselves in need, we cry out to God

**\*So today we'll see 6 reasons to cry out to the Lord**

**#1: When we're wandering: Let Him lead us in the straight path (Psm 107:1-9)**

Read Psm 107:1

1. “Oh” = an exclamation point at the end!!!
2. “He is good” means there's nothing bad in Him
3. How do we know He's good?

- a. B/c we experience His mercy & love
- 4. We can trust it'll never cease to be toward us

Read Vs 2-3

- 1. Direct application seems to be Israel's regathering after Babylon
  - a. Also applicable in sense that we've been redeemed from all sin & returned to God
- 2. "Let the redeemed say so"
  - a. I was in prison to my sin & God saved me
  - b. What a joy to speak of God's salvation
- 3. If we're not speaking of it; there's a problem
  - a. Pride: We don't know how bad our sin was
  - b. We've never truly been forgiven

Read Vs 4-6a

- 1. We too wandered in the wilderness of sin
- 2. Just like the Prodigal Son account
  - a. Read Luke 15:16-17 – He came to himself
  - b. Only when we see our helplessness do we see the solution that Christ Jesus offers

## Read Vs 6b-9

1. Notice He leads us in a direct path to goodness
  - a. God's ways take us directly to fruitfulness
  - b. God's plan is for good only & can't harm
2. See, He satisfies our needs that sin never fulfilled
  - a. We desire friends, good purpose, true family; He fills up our needs fully
  - b. Knowing God's plan for our redemption is the only thing capable of bringing peace & rest

## **#2: When we're doing what is harmful: Let His Word light our path (Psm 107:10-16)**

### Read Psm 107:10-13a

1. Now this describes, not just wandering, but the place of receiving bad
  - a. They receive bad b/c of their sins
2. If we're sitting in darkness, it's b/c we've refused the Light of God's Word
  - a. Read Isa 59:2 & John 3:19-20

## Read Vs 13b-16

1. When God saves, He saves to the uttermost
  - a. He didn't unlock our handcuffs of sin, He broke them
  - b. He didn't open the prison doors, He broke them
2. And now as I Pet 2:9 says, He calls us out of darkness & into His marvelous light
  - a. If you're still in your sin, you're sitting in sin's no door prison, handcuffs broken on the floor

## **#3: When we're living a foolish life: Let His Word heal us (Psm 107:17-22)**

### Read Psm 107:17-19a

1. Now we have those so dumb & foolish that they live with a corrupt lifestyle but can't even realize they're living in the pigpen
2. And yet, it's the same solution for this group of people as for any other group; cry out to God

## Read Vs 19b-22

1. How does He lead us in a direct path to good?
  - a. He sends His Word, guidebook to goodness
2. Let's thank God for giving the Light of His Word

## **#4: When we're being tossed by troubles: Let His Word bring you to the haven (Psm 107:23-32)**

### Read Psm 107:23-28a

1. These are those being tossed up & down by this world's storms
  - a. Those engaged w/ & abused by trying to turn a dollar
  - b. The highs & lows of the stock market & all the rest leave us unsettled
2. "All their wisdom was swallowed up" b/c we often get to the place where we realize this world can destroy us if it wants to
  - a. Unless we... cry unto the Lord
  - b. In every situation, we can cry unto the Lord

Read Vs 28b-32

1. God commands the world system, even nature itself
2. The Lord knows how to deliver the just out of the world system (II Pet 2:9) just as He delivered Lot out of the worldly influence of Sodom

**#5: B/c He can change any & all circumstances for those that ask (Psm 107:33-43)**

Read Psm 107:33-38

1. Production of our environment & resources is completely under the hand & control of God
  - a. He multiplies loaves & fish to feed 1,000s
  - b. He can destroy great resources like He destroyed Israel's great army at Ai after Jericho
2. Our abilities, resources & plans are NOTHING without the blessing of God on them
  - a. Striving for our will, even w/ great resources can fail
  - b. Serving for His will, even w/ little resources will win

Read Vs 39-42

1. The Lord is a dividing God
  - a. There is no noble prince that He cannot bring down in their pride
  - b. There is no needy poor that He cannot lift up from their despair

Read Vs 43

1. What's it take to access this restoration & love?
  - a. Well vs 42 – it's the upright, the righteous that will see it
  - b. It's those that cry unto God that'll receive it

**#6: B/c it exalts the Lord & shows trust in His power (Psm 108)**

Intro – This is a compilation of two of David's Psalms

Vs 1-5 is Psalm 57:7-11

Vs 7-13 is Psalm 60:5-12

Read Vs 1-4

1. Is your heart fixed so that no circumstance can take you away from praising God?

2. Faith lifts us above the circumstances & let's God have His way in our heart & actions
  - a. We become unafraid to be seen for Jesus

Read Vs 5

1. This emphasizes what is set as a chorus to repeat
2. You can almost hear the Psalmist saying, nevertheless, not my will, but Your will be done

Read Vs 6

1. Now Lord, use your exalted power to deliver me

Read Vs 7-9

1. David prophetically speaks for God, seeing that God reigns over, not just the whole earth, but this land specifically that David's currently battling for
2. God's using specific parts of Israel for specific missions
3. God also sees immediate surrounding nations w/ contempt for the way they've treated Israel



## Read Vs 10-13

1. Man can fail at any moment when he acts independent of God
2. “Vain is the help of man” – If God is for us, there is no power that can stand against that
3. David turns to God after defeat & determines to get back in line behind his strong God

## Conclusion

Have you experienced how great it is to cry out to the Lord & have your needs met?

1. **If you're wandering, let Him lead you in a straight path**
2. **If you're doing what's harmful, let His Word light your path**
3. **If you tend to be foolish, let His Word heal**
4. **If you're tossed by troubles, let His Word bring you to the haven**
5. **If you need your situation changed, trust that God can do that for those that ask**
6. **In all circumstances, our trusting exalts God**