



Summer In The Psalms Series – Lesson 6
"THE CRY FOR GUIDANCE AND PROTECTION"
Psalm 5

INTRODUCTION

*When you're under attack,
take refuge in the Lord as your righteous defender.*

I. THE CRY FOR HELP - 1-3

- **When You're Under Attack, Take Refuge In The Lord Through Prayer (5:1-3).**
 - A. Pray honestly - 5:1-2

 - B. Pray personally - 5:2

 - C. Pray persistently - 5:3

 - D. Pray systematically - 5:3b

 - E. Pray expectantly.

II. THE CHARACTER OF GOD - 4-6

- **When You're Under Attack, Appeal To God As The Righteous Judge (5:4-6).**

God's Holiness - 4

A. God is separate from all evil and will judge all evildoers.

God's Judgment - 5-6

B. Make sure that you are in Christ and walking in obedience.

III. THE CONFIDENCE IN GOD'S PROTECTION - 7-8

Entering God's House - 7

- **When You're Under Attack, Reverently Draw Near To God By His Grace (5:7).**

Guidance in Righteousness - 8

- **When You're Under Attack, Pray For The Lord To Keep You On The Righteous Path (5:8).**

IV. THE CONTRAST BETWEEN THE WICKED AND THE RIGHTEOUS - 9-12

- **When You're Under Attack, Appeal To God As The Righteous Judge (5:9-10).**

- **When You're Under Attack, Take Joyous Refuge In God As Your Defender (5:11-12).**

Application Questions

1. Some Christians allow the attacks of others to drive them away from the Lord, whereas for some it drives them to the Lord. What makes the difference?
2. Should Christians take pleasure or be grieved at the thought of God judging their enemies? How does Rev. 18:20 fit in?

I said that it is not advisable to tell an arrogant, unrepentant sinner that God loves him. Agree/disagree? Why?

3. How can we know whether to defend ourselves before critics or just to ignore them? What biblical principles apply?