

The Joy of Being Forgiven

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Introduction I & II

INTRODUCTION I

What two illustrations does the author use to describe the book of Psalms?

THE HOLY PLACE & A NURSERY SCHOOL. [1ST TWO PARAGRAPHS]

What should be our desire when we speak God's Word in prayer?

TO UNDERSTAND THEM AS GOD EXPRESSED THEM. [¶ BEGINNING, "WHEN WE SPEAK HIS WORDS...", 1ST SENTENCE]

Who adapts the written prayers of the psalms to our needs?

THE HOLY SPIRIT. [¶ BEGINNING, "GOD HAS TAUGHT THESE MEN...", 3RD SENTENCE.]

"You will never _____ to know _____, especially your _____, until you have learned to _____ with the deep _____ of the writers of the Psalms."

LEARN / SIN / OWN / AGREE / CONFESSION. [¶ BEGINNING WITH ABOVE QUOTE]

Which two verses from the psalms did Christ quote in His heaviest distress?

"MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAST THOU FORSAKEN ME?" (PSALM 22.1) / "FATHER, INTO THY HANDS I

COMMIT MY SPIRIT." (PSALM 31.5) [¶ BEGINNING, "THINK OF THE SON OF GOD."]

"If Christ Jesus _____ the words of the Psalms to _____ and _____ Him in _____ to His Father, how much _____ must you and I _____ upon these divine prayers to _____ to God?"

NEEDED / COMFORT / STRENGTHEN / PRAYER / MORE / RELY / DRAW NEAR. [¶ BEGINNING, "THINK OF THE SON OF GOD.", LAST SENTENCE]

INTRODUCTION II

When did David write Psalm 51?

OVER A YEAR AFTER HIS SIN WITH BATHSHEBA, THE CONSEQUENT UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT TO HIDE THE MURDER OF HER HUSBAND URIAH, AND THE BIRTH OF THE CHILD FROM DAVID'S INTERCOURSE WITH BATHSHEBA. [¶ BEGINNING, "THE FIFTY-FIRST IS ONE OF THE SEVEN REPENTANT PSALMS."; 4-6TH SENTENCES]

What three elements does the author wish for us to know so that we may live and die as believers should?

- WE MUST KNOW HOW GREAT OUR SINS ARE.
- WE MUST KNOW HOW WE CAN BE DELIVERED FROM OUR SINS.
- WE MUST UNDERSTAND HOW TO LIVE IN THANKFULNESS TO GOD FOR THIS DELIVERANCE. [¶ BEGINNING "I WANT YOU TO UNDERSTAND THIS PSALM."]

"You do not _____ the real _____,

the _____, and the _____ of sin until
_____ makes it known to you.”

KNOW / NATURE / UGLINESS / CURSE / GOD. [¶
BEGINNING “I WANT TO SHOW YOU HOW CORRUPT
THE NATURE OF MAN IS.”, 4TH SENTENCE]

TRUE / FALSE: It matters a great deal how sinful and
helpless you feel in order to have access to God in prayer.

FALSE. [¶ BEGINNING, “COME WITH ME, AND YOU
WILL HEAR FROM DAVID...”, 2ND SENTENCE]

What will sanctify both the outward and the inward life of
the believer?

GRACE [¶ BEGINNING, “GRACE WILL SANCTIFY...”,
1ST SENTENCE]

What has your reading taught you about forgiveness?

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other books at www.lifeisworship.com on the Resources page.*

psalter -- song book comprised of collections of the psalms
set to music; a hymnal used before the modern hymns we
sing were written