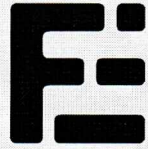


Wed Night



FRESH ENCOUNTER

REAL FREEDOM

JULY 3, 2024 | JACOB FLEMING

"Blessed are the undefiled in the way, Who walk in the law of the LORD."

(Psalm 119:1)

"But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen." (2 Peter 3:18)

INTRODUCTION

- emphasis of walking in the law of the Lord
- also emphasis in growing in God's grace
- Psalm 119:41-48

1. DAVID'S Talks WITH GOD (Ps 119:41)

- A simple prayer
- A stabilizing stabilizing promise

"For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us." (2 Corinthians 1:20)

- Ps 119:41 let your mercies come also to me, O Lord
* salvation according to God's Word

Ps 119:42 David trusts in God's Word
Ps 119:43 the Word of truth... hoped in
Your laws

C. A safe position (Ps 119:42)

"And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God." (Ephesians 6:17)

2. DAVID'S Heart TOWARD GOD (Ps 119:43)

"Seven times a day do I praise thee Because of thy righteous judgments." (Psalm 119:164)

A. A humble request = ask God

"The counsel of the LORD standeth for ever; The thoughts of his heart to all generations." (Psalm 33:11)

"But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear." (1 Peter 3:15)

B. A hearty resolution (I determine)

CONSTANTLY CONFORMING

FOREVER REACHING FORWARD

} thirsting & longing for God (Ps 63:1, 6)

"Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus. Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before," (Philippians 3:12-13)

3. DAVID'S Walk FOR GOD (Ps 119:45-48)

A. Extensive pursuit - run after God

B. Expressed application -

THAT HE SHOULD BE FREE IN HIS DUTY

Quote: "The service of sin is perfect slavery; the service of God is perfect liberty". - Matthew Henry

"Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." (John 8:31-32)

Ps 119:45 For I seek (look for) Your precepts

THAT HIS PRIVATE PREPARATION WOULD RESULT
IN BOLD AND COURAGEOUS DUTY

"Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we are not careful to answer thee in this matter. If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king." (Daniel 3:16-17)

THAT HIS DAILY DELIGHT IN THE SCRIPTURES
WOULD CAUSE HIM TO BE CHEERFUL AND
PLEASANT IN HIS DUTY

BECAUSE OF HIS INWARD TRANSFORMATION IT
WOULD REFLECT IN DILIGENT AND VIGOROUS
DUTY *change on the inside*

DUE TO HIS INTENTIONAL MEDITATION HIS DUTY
WOULD BE THOUGHTFUL AND CONSIDERATE
- think on these things (Philp 4:8)

CONCLUSION

- a. I learn something new in the
Scriptures
- b. I meditate on God's Word
- c. I delight on God's Word
- d. I make changes in my life
- e. I continue to follow God's
commands