**KEEP ON PRAYING**

**Psalms 5:1-12**

**1 Give ear to my words, O LORD, consider my meditation.**

[**2**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-5-2/) **Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my God: for unto thee will I pray.**

[**3**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-5-3/) **My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O LORD; in the morning will I direct *my prayer* unto thee, and will look up.**

[**4**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-5-4/) **For thou *art* not a God that hath pleasure in wickedness: neither shall evil dwell with thee.**

[**5**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-5-5/) **The foolish shall not stand in thy sight: thou hatest all workers of iniquity.**

[**6**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-5-6/) **Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing: the LORD will abhor the bloody and deceitful man.**

[**7**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-5-7/) **But as for me, I will come *into* thy house in the multitude of thy mercy: *and* in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple.**

[**8**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-5-8/) **Lead me, O LORD, in thy righteousness because of mine enemies; make thy way straight before my face.**

[**9**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-5-9/) **For *there is* no faithfulness in their mouth; their inward part *is* very wickedness; their throat *is* an open sepulchre; they flatter with their tongue.**

[**10**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-5-10/) **Destroy thou them, O God; let them fall by their own counsels; cast them out in the multitude of their transgressions; for they have rebelled against thee.**

[**11**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-5-11/) **But let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because thou defendest them: let them also that love thy name be joyful in thee.**

[**12**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-5-12/) **For thou, LORD, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as *with* a shield.**

**INTRO:**

**\*\*As we have been studying Psalms, I want you to notice that Psalms 3 was considered a morning prayer, Psalms 4 an night time prayer, and Psalms 5 another morning prayer. David is literally praying day and night about his situation of being overthrown by Absalon his own son.**

**\*\*David gave his burden to the Lord the night before and got a peaceful nights sleep, and the next morning, he got up and prayed again!**

**\*\*Sometimes the answer doesn’t come right away, but as the old song says, “’Til the Answer Comes Keep On Praying!”**

**\*\*The super spiritual would say that he didn’t need to pray again the next morning. However, this didn’t show a lack of faith on David’s part; it showed his faithfulness and persistence!**

**\*\*We need more people who are faithful and persistent to pray!**

**\*\*I think Asaph said it best with his testimony in Psalms 73:28 But *it is* good for me to draw near to God: I have put my trust in the Lord GOD, that I may declare all thy works.**

**\*\*You will never know the works of God until you draw near to God in prayer, in faithfulness and in trust!**

**\*\*Let’s look at David’s prayer and see how he drew near to God in prayer, in faithfulness, and in trust and Kept On Praying!**

**I. A MORNING PLEA**

**\*\*David begins his morning with a plea unto God!**

 **A. David had a Desire to be Heard**

**Psalms 5:1 Give ear to my words, O LORD, consider my meditation.**

 **1. He wants God to listen to his Words**

 **2. He wants God to listen to his Whispers**

**\*\*Meditation here means to whisper!**

 **a. He says, “Consider and Understand God.”**

 **b. He says, “Comprehend and Understand God.”**

**\*\*Everybody wants to know that they are being heard when they speak. David was no different.**

**\*\*People will fail to listen, comprehend, or understand you when you speak, but God always listens, comprehends, and understands when you speak and pray to him!**

 **B. David had a Desire to be Helped**

**Psalms 5:2 Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my God: for unto thee will I pray.**

 **1. We see he is seeking for God’s Wisdom.**

 **2. We see he is searching for God’s Way.**

**\*\*I still believe that when you and I seek and search for God’s Wisdom and God’s Way in a matter, we can find the help of the Lord!!**

**II. A MORNING PRAYER**

**Psalms 5:3a My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O LORD; in the morning will I direct *my prayer* unto thee, and will look up.**

**\*\*Notice these aspects of David’s prayer.**

 **A. We See the Devotion**

**\*\*David is seeking for God the very first thing in the morning and devoted to God and none other.**

**\*\*David is devoted to consulting with God . . .**

 **1. He’s not looking for the Counsel of People.**

 **2. He’s not looking for the Consensus of People.**

**\*\*It’s not wrong to seek the counsel of godly people, but we are to seek God and be devoted to seeking Him first.**

**\*\*So many times we know what we should do, but we fail to do it.**

 **B. We See the Direction**

 **1. He’s looking up and Watching for God to Move!**

 **2. He’s looking up and Waiting for God to Move!**

**\*\*Once again we don’t do as we should do. We don’t pray like we should. We don’t watch and wait like we should!**

 **C. We See the Discernment**

**Psalms 5:4 For thou *art* not a God that hath pleasure in wickedness: neither shall evil dwell with thee.**

 **1. God will not help those who are Wrong!**

 **2. God will not help those who are Wicked!**

**\*\*Even our own hearts must be right and righteous if we expect God to help us! God was on David’s side because David was righteous in the eyes of God! Are you?**

 **D. We See the Dependability**

**Psalms 5:5-6, 9  5 The foolish shall not stand in thy sight: thou hatest all workers of iniquity.** [**6**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-5-6/) **Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing: the LORD will abhor the bloody and deceitful man.** [**9**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-5-9/) **For *there is* no faithfulness in their mouth; their inward part *is* very wickedness; their throat *is* an open sepulchre; they flatter with their tongue.**

**\*\*God is so dependable that He will not help the Foolish, the Filthy, the Fibbers, the Felons, the Frauds, the Faithless, nor the False Flattering Folks either!**

**III. THE MAIN PURPOSE**

**\*\*David needs help, and he lets God know his main purpose for praying in Psalms 5:10.**

**Psalms 5:10 Destroy thou them, O God; let them fall by their own counsels; cast them out in the multitude of their transgressions; for they have rebelled against thee.**

 **A. Destroy the Enemy by Cutting Them Off**

 **1. Because of their Ridiculous Behavior**

**\*\*Their behavior is Sinful, Scandalous, and Sneaky!**

 **2. Because of their Rebellious Behavior**

**\*\*They are Disobedient and Defiant.**

**\*\*Those who Rebel and Reject God will be punished, but the Redeemed will be Praising God!**

 **B. Destroy the Enemy and Cast Them Out**

 **1. David said to Thrust Them Away because of their Meanness.**

 **2. David said to Thrust Them Aside because of their Misdeeds.**

**\*\*I still believe that God can remove our enemies!**

**IV. THE MORNING PRAISE**

 **A. Notice the Rejoicing**

 **1. Mercy Delivers Us and Worth Rejoicing Over**

**Psalms 5:7a But as for me, I will come *into* thy house in the multitude of thy mercy:**

 **2. Mercy Defends Us and Worth Rejoicing Over**

**Psalms 5:11 But let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because thou defendest them: let them also that love thy name be joyful in thee.**

**\*\*Surely you remember a time when mercy delivered you and defended you, and surely now you can rejoice about it!**

 **B. Notice the Reverence**

**Psalms 5:7b *and* in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple.**

 **1. David worships God with Adoration**

 **2. David worships God with Awe**

**\*\*Our church going society has lost its reverence for the Lord!**

 **C. Notice the Request**

**Psalms 5:8 [8](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Psalms-5-8/%22%20%5Co%20%22Psalms%205%3A8%20KJV%20verse%20detail) Lead me, O LORD, in thy righteousness because of mine enemies; make thy way straight before my face.**

 **1. David wanted to be led in Salvation’s Path**

 **2. David wanted to be led in Straight Paths**

**\*\*No doubt Absolom had been taught to seek these paths, but he strayed from seeking those paths; He died because of it! David never departed from it, and he lived. Too many today have strayed from seeking those paths!**

 **D. Notice the Results**

**Psalms 5:12 For thou, LORD, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as *with* a shield.**

**\*\*Praising God while praying to God brings us results!**

 **1. The Righteous are Fulfilled**

 **2. The Righteous are Favored**

**\*\*You too can have results in your prayer life if you will rejoice in the Lord always no matter what the situation is.**

**CLOSE**

**\*\*David knew how to pray, and he won his battles on his knees in prayer! You can too!**

**\*\*Do you know how to pray? If you do you should come pray for yourself, your family, and your friends!**

**\*\*I notice that David was not just praying for himself, he was praying for the righteous people of Israel. In other words, he was praying for others!**

**\*\*Perhaps there’s someone that is laying heavy on your heart that you need to come and pray for today!**

**\*\*Maybe you are here and you really need someone to pray for you today! Take someone by the hand, and ask them to pray with you!**

**\*\*There’s times I need someone to pray for me, and there’s times you need someone praying for you. Will someone come and pray for others?**

**\*\*Now is not the time to stop praying! Now is the time to Keep on Praying like you have never prayed before! Come and pray now!**