

"In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord"

Psa 77:10-20 Part II

Psa 77:9 Hath God forgotten to be gracious? hath he in anger shut up his tender mercies? Selah.

Psa 77:10 And I said, This *is* my infirmity: *but I will remember* the years of the right hand of the most High.

Psa 77:11 I will remember the works of the LORD: surely I will remember thy wonders of old.

Psa 77:12 I will meditate also of all thy work, and talk of thy doings.

Psa 77:13 Thy way, O God, *is* in the sanctuary: who *is so* great a God as *our* God?

Psa 77:14 Thou *art* the God that doest wonders: thou hast declared thy strength among the people.

Psa 77:15 Thou hast with *thine* arm redeemed thy people, the sons of Jacob and Joseph. Selah.

Psa 77:16 The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee; they were afraid: the depths also were troubled.

Psa 77:17 The clouds poured out water: the skies sent out a sound: thine arrows also went abroad.

Psa 77:18 The voice of thy thunder *was* in the heaven: the lightnings lightened the world: the earth trembled and shook.

Psa 77:19 Thy way *is* in the sea, and thy path in the great waters, and thy footsteps are not known.

Psa 77:20 Thou leddest thy people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

The next few verse will look at proceed from a "Selah", a pause in verse nine, after the question is asked "Hath God forgotten to be gracious? hath he in anger shut up his tender mercies? ...Selah."

God knows that we need to meditate and to take stock every day, to be reminded of His mercy, love and faithfulness in the quietness of pausing or meditating on His greatness (Psa 143:5 , Psa 119:78 , Psa 77:12 , 1Ti 4:15 , Luk 21:11-14 , 2Pe 3:17 , Joh 13:17).

Psa 143:5 I remember the days of old; I meditate on all thy works; I muse on the work of thy hands.

Psa 119:78 Let the proud be ashamed; for they dealt perversely with me without a cause: *but* I will meditate in thy precepts.

Psa 77:11 I will remember the works of the LORD: surely I will remember thy wonders of old.

Psa 77:12 I will meditate also of all thy work, and talk of thy doings.

1Ti 4:15 Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may

appear to all.

2Pe 3:17 Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know *these things* before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness.

Joh 13:17 *If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.*

This meditation/Selah/remembrance is part of the dying daily process that brings us into His communion with the saints who learn that God will not forget "**to be gracious**" and will not "**shut up his tender mercies**" as stated in verse nine.

This exercise of meditating that we are drawn into is given by the grace and faith of our Lord and is a critical part of how God is preparing the hearts and minds of His people for those things which are going to come upon the earth (**Luk 21:25** , **Act 1:8**). Notice how after we have done all so we can stand as a result of meditating on His promises and faithfulness to clothe us spiritually (**Eph 6:10-18**) then we are told to not give any thought to "**Settle it therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer:** "

Luk 21:11 And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven.

Luk 21:12 But before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute *you*, delivering *you* up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake.

Luk 21:13 And it shall turn to you for a testimony.

Luk 21:14 Settle it therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer:

We know these things are true (His 'graciousness', His 'tender mercies'), and yet we must needs be put in remembrance of them, as God has made us to need one another, a body fitly framed that comes together, to be reminded of how God is faithful and never forgets the workmanship of His hand which we are (**Eph 2:10** , **Heb 10:25** , **Mal 3:16** , **Isa 49:15**). He shows us through one another His favour and mercy along with truth that we pray He will continue to '**bind**' around the hearts of His people (**Pro 3:3** , **Eze 5:3** , **Eze 34:16** , **Dan 3:20**).

Eph 2:10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

Heb 10:25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some *is*; but exhorting *one another*: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

Mal 3:16 Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: and the LORD hearkened, and heard *it*, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name.

Isa 49:15 Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee.

Pro 3:3 Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: **bind them about thy neck**; write them upon the table of thine heart:

Eze 5:3 Thou shalt also take thereof a few in number, and bind them in thy skirts.

Dan 3:19 Then was Nebuchadnezzar full of fury, and the form of his visage was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: *therefore* he spake, and commanded that they should heat the furnace one seven times more than it was wont to be heated.

Dan 3:20 And he commanded the most mighty men that *were* in his army to **bind** Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, *and* to cast *them* into the burning fiery furnace.

Our first few verses for tonight's study:

Psa 77:10 And I said, This *is* my infirmity^{H2470}: *but I will remember the years of the right hand of the most High.*

Psa 77:11 I will remember the works of the LORD: surely I will remember thy wonders of old.

Psa 77:12 I will meditate also of all thy work, and talk of thy doings.

The "infirmity^{H2470}" is what is burned out of us while bound in the fire with Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, which is a type and shadow of the process that God's workmanship has to go through to go unto perfection on the third day, as we are purified in the fire of our infirmities^{H2470} (Luk 13:32 , Luk 5:31).

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Total KJV Occurrences: 78

sick, 34

Gen 48:1, 1Sa 19:14, 1Sa 30:13, 2Sa 13:2, 2Sa 13:5-6 (2), 1Ki 14:1, 1Ki 14:5, 1Ki 17:17, 2Ki 1:2, 2Ki 8:7, 2Ki 8:29, 2Ki 13:14, 2Ki 20:1, 2Ki 20:12, 2Ch 22:6, 2Ch 32:24, Neh 2:2, Psa 35:13, Pro 13:12, Pro 23:35, Son 2:5, Son 5:8, Isa 33:24, Isa 38:1, Isa 38:9, Isa 39:1, Eze 34:4, Eze 34:16, Dan 8:27, Hos 7:5, Mic 6:13, Mal 1:8, Mal 1:13

besought, 5

Exo 32:11, 1Ki 13:6, 2Ki 13:4, 2Ch 33:12, Jer 26:19

grievous, 4

Jer 10:19 (2), Jer 14:17, Jer 30:12, Nah 3:19

weak, 4

Jdg 16:7, Jdg 16:11, Jdg 16:17, Isa 14:10

entreat, 3

1Ki 13:6, Psa 45:12, Pro 19:6

pray, 3

Zec 7:2, Zec 8:21-22 (2)

wounded, 3

1Ki 22:34, 2Ch 18:33, 2Ch 35:23

become, 2

[Jdg 16:17](#), [Isa 14:10](#)

diseased, 2

[1Ki 15:23](#), [2Ch 16:12](#)

grief, 2

[Isa 17:11](#), [Isa 53:10](#)

grieved, 2

[Isa 57:10](#) (2), [Amo 6:6](#)

sore, 2

[Ecc 5:13](#), [Ecc 5:16](#)

beseech, 1

[Mal 1:9](#)

carefully, 1

[Mic 1:12](#)

entreated, 1

[Psa 119:58](#)

infirmity, 1

[Psa 77:10](#)

laid, 1

[Deu 29:22](#)

pain, 1

[Jer 12:13](#)

prayer, 1

[Dan 9:13](#) (2)

sorry, 1

[1Sa 22:8](#)

suit, 1

[Job 11:19](#)

suits, 1

[Isa 3:22](#)

supplication, 1

[1Sa 13:12](#)

travail, 1

[Jer 4:31](#)

[Luk 13:32](#) And he said unto them, Go ye, and tell that fox, Behold, I cast out devils, and I do cures to day and to morrow, and the third *day* I shall be perfected.

[Luk 5:31](#) And Jesus answering said unto them, They that are whole need not a physician; but they that are sick.

[Joh 9:41](#) Jesus said unto them, If ye were blind, ye should have no sin: but now ye say, We see; therefore your sin remaineth.

[1Jn 1:8](#) If we say that we have no sin [***no infirmity***], we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

It is through this process of being in the fire (is was and will be) that we will be brought into remembrance of the works of our LORD, brought in remembrance of how He had begun this purifying work within us so many "days of old" ago ([Psa 143:5](#) , [2Pe 1:9](#)).

[Psa 143:5](#) I remember the days of old; I meditate on all thy works; I muse on the work of thy hands.

[2Pe 1:9](#) But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.

That is our hope, that we will not forget, as the disciples in their yet carnal state forgot to bring bread when they got to the "other side" which typifies not having that extra oil needed at the end of this age ([Heb 12:5](#) , [1Jn 3:3](#) , [1Jn 1:7](#) , [Joh 14:26](#) , [Mat 16:5](#) , [Mat 25:8-9](#)).

If that oil is in our lives then we will "talk of thy doings" and talk often ([Mal 3:16](#)) of this testimony that God is laying up in the lives of His people, to demonstrate to the world that He is our redeemer who is dragging us through the fiery trials ([Joh 6:44](#)) and giving witness to all the world of His power and might as His love is being perfected within His disciples ([Joh 13:34-35](#) , [1Jn 5:2](#) , [Col 1:10](#) , [Col 3:20](#) , [Mat 3:17](#) , [Act 5:29](#) , [Act 5:32](#) , [Isa 46:8-10](#)).

[Mal 3:16](#) Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: and the LORD hearkened, and heard *it*, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name.

[Joh 13:34](#) A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

[Joh 13:35](#) By this shall all *men* know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

[1Jn 5:2](#) By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments.

[Col 1:10](#) That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;

[Col 3:20](#) Children, obey *your* parents in all things: for this is well pleasing unto the Lord.

[Mat 3:17](#) And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

[Act 5:29](#) Then Peter and the *other* apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men.

[Act 5:32](#) And we are his witnesses of these things; and *so is* also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.

[Isa 46:8](#) Remember this, and shew yourselves men: bring *it* again to mind, O ye

transgressors.

Isa 46:9 Remember the former things of old: for I *am* God, and *there is* none else; *I am* God, and *there is* none like me,

Isa 46:10 Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times *the things* that are not *yet* done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:

Eph 1:11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

Psa 77:13 Thy way, O God, **is in the sanctuary: who is so great a God as *our* God?**

Psa 77:14 Thou *art* the God that doest wonders: thou hast declared thy strength among the people.

Christ is 'the way' (**Joh 14:6**) who is in His people (**Col 1:27**) who are the temple of God (**1Co 3:16**) who are blessed to glorify God today in that temple with even greater works than those which Christ did as we go from glory to glory (**Joh 5:20** , **2Co 3:18**).

Joh 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, **I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.**

Col 1:27 To whom God would make known what *is* the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

1Co 3:16 Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and *that* the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?

Joh 5:20 **For the Father loveth the Son, and sheweth him all things that himself doeth: and he will shew him greater works than these, that ye may marvel.**

2Co 3:18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, *even* as by the Spirit of the Lord.

This is where God has and is declaring His strength "among the people" where He does wonders in His temple which we are (**Rom 3:27** , **1Co 10:31** , **Luk 17:18** , **Heb 13:15** , **Rom 4:20** , **Luk 2:14**).

Rom 3:27 Where *is* boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? of works? Nay: but by the law of faith.

1Co 10:31 Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.

Luk 17:18 **There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger.**

Heb 13:15 By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of *our* lips giving thanks to his name.

Rom 4:20 He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in

faith, giving glory to God;

Luk 2:14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Psa 77:15 Thou hast with *thine* arm redeemed thy people, the sons of Jacob and Joseph. Selah.

Psa 77:16 The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee; they were afraid: the depths also were troubled.

God's arm redeems the people, and we are that arm or part of the temple that God uses to save the world all in due season (**Dan 10:6** , **Oba 1:21**).

Dan 10:6 His body also *was* like the beryl, and his face as the appearance of lightning, and his eyes as lamps of fire, and his arms and his feet like in colour to polished brass, and the voice of his words like the voice of a multitude.

Oba 1:21 And saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the kingdom shall be the LORD'S.

There is no part of humanity or our flesh that will not be troubled, even "the depths also were troubled" because we know that flesh does not inherit the kingdom of God and as we become a new creation at the expense of losing our life, our water, sees God doing this marvellous work (**Psa 33:6-8** , **Psa 79:3** , **Rev 22:1**), and it is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the Almighty (**Mat 16:25** , **Heb 10:31**).

Psa 33:6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.

Psa 33:7 He gathereth the waters of the sea together as an heap: he layeth up the depth in storehouses.

Psa 33:8 Let all the earth fear the LORD: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.

Psa 79:3 Their blood have they shed like water round about Jerusalem; and *there was* none to bury *them*.

Rev 22:1 And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

Mat 16:25 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it.

Heb 10:31 *It is* a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

Psa 77:17 The clouds poured out water: the skies sent out a sound: *thine* arrows also went abroad.

Psa 77:18 The voice of thy thunder *was* in the heaven: the lightnings lightened the world: the earth trembled and shook.

The elect or "the clouds" will pour "out water" and send out a sound, that sound being God's judgements going into the ends of the earth and into the depths of the sea where our nephesh souls are judged and give an accounting for the works that God has caused in our lives, the good and the evil ([Isa 26:9](#), [Eze 24:3](#)).

[Isa 26:9](#) With my soul have I desired thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I seek thee early: for when thy judgments *are* in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.

[Eze 24:3](#) And utter a parable unto the rebellious house, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Set on a pot, set *it* on, and also pour water into it:

God is working in us both to will and to do of His good pleasure as we examine ourselves to see if we're in the faith ([Php 2:13](#) , [2Co 13:5](#)). His word goes forth and is poured out of the elect in this age and every age that He has worked in where He has "sent out a sound" a trumpet, also symbolized by the arrows in these verses that "went abroad" ([Joh 20:21](#) , [1Jn 4:14](#) , [Oba 1:21](#)).

[Joh 20:21](#) Then said Jesus to them again, *Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.*

[1Jn 4:14](#) And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son *to be* the Saviour of the world.

[Oba 1:21](#) And saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the kingdom shall be the LORD'S.

If we are indeed moving with fear and reverence the way Noah did building the ark in troublesome times, just like the road we talked about last week that was build again in troublesome times in Daniel's day ([Gen 6:13](#) , [Dan 9:25](#) , [Heb 11:7](#)), we will understand that those events represent the much tribulation or troublesome events that we must go through as the body of Christ as "the earth trembled and shook". This trembling will be occurring in the hearts and minds of God's people today as opposed to the rest of the world who are meant to be caught off guard at our Lord's return ([Mat 24:38](#)).

[Gen 6:13](#) And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth.

[Heb 11:7](#) By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith.

[Dan 9:25](#) Know therefore and understand, *that* from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince *shall be* seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

[Mat 24:38](#) *For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking,*

marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,

The arrows being sent abroad in this verse are also a reminder that it is God's word that goes forth, his truth, which will slay the first man Adam who may be afar off but never outside of the reach of God's judgement ([Hab 3:11](#) , [Zec 9:13-14](#) , [Act 9:3-4](#) , [Jer 23:24](#) , [Isa 58:7](#)).

[Hab 3:11](#) The sun *and* moon stood still [Selah] in their habitation: at the light of thine arrows they went, *and* at the shining of thy glittering spear.

[Zec 9:13](#) When I have bent Judah for me, filled the bow with Ephraim, and raised up thy sons, O Zion, against thy sons [[Oba 1:21](#)], O Greece, and made thee as the sword of a mighty man.

[Zec 9:14](#) And the LORD shall be seen over them, and his arrow shall go forth as the lightning: and the Lord GOD shall blow the trumpet, and shall go with whirlwinds of the south.

[Act 9:3](#) And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and **suddenly there shined** round about him a light from heaven:

[Act 9:4](#) And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, **Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?**

[Jer 23:24](#) Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the LORD. Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the LORD.

These verses together ([Psa 77:15-18](#)) remind us again that all of the work being done in the "the sons of Jacob and Joseph" who typify God's elect are works that trouble our waters and shake our earth and light up the sky of our minds with lightnings as we behold Satan falling from our heavens ([Luk 10:18](#) , [1Co 15:52](#)). This work of redemption is accompanied with that "Selah", that reflection/meditation upon these wonderful works unto the children of men that God is performing within his people today for the purpose of redeeming the rest of humanity ([Psa 107:8](#) , [1Co 15:22](#)).

[Luk 10:18](#) And he said unto them, **I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.**

[1Co 15:52](#) In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

[Psa 107:8](#) Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men!

[1Co 15:22](#) For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

[Psa 77:19](#) **Thy way *is* in the sea, and thy path in the great waters, and thy footsteps are not known.**

[Psa 77:20](#) **Thou leddest thy people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron.**

These closing verses speak very loudly to us when we consider that God is sovereign over the light and darkness, over the earth, over the sea, over the sky, over the wind, over the day, over

the night ([Isa 45:6-7](#) , [Isa 65:17-18](#)).

[Isa 45:6](#) That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that *there is* none beside me. I *am* the LORD, and *there is* none else.

[Isa 45:7](#) I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these *things*.

[Isa 65:17](#) For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind.

[Isa 65:18](#) But be ye glad and rejoice for ever *in that* which I create: for, behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy.

He is "in the sea" of humanity that "live and move and has our being" in Him without even knowing this ([Act 17:28](#)). He has-is-will lead his people like a flock and this work that God through Christ has-is-will do is typified in this last verse as the "hand of Moses and Aaron". This **hand**^{H3027} of Moses and Aaron is the means of bringing that comfort whilst "thy footsteps are not known". This brings us back to verse 2 and last week's reflection:

" We are seeking the Lord even while our **hand**^{H3027} is outstretched^{H5064} (literal translations of "sore"^{H3027} ran^{H5064}-- see Rotherham, YLT, CLV or LITV) in the night, and our own souls^[H5315 = nephesh] refuse to be comforted. This happens to demonstrate that it is only God who can soften or harden the heart of Pharaoh within us ([Exo 9:35](#) , [Rom 9:18](#)).

[Exo 9:35](#) And the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, neither would he let the children of Israel go; as the LORD had spoken by Moses.

[Rom 9:18](#) Therefore hath he mercy on whom he will have mercy, and whom he will he hardeneth. "

As stated last week and reiterated this week, it is only when the Lord grants that growth will our soul take comfort. We are truly being blessed in this age indeed!

[Mat 13:16](#) But blessed *are* your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear.