

Psalm 22

INTRO: (1) (2) (3)

THE POINT: We should develop a growing appreciation for the abuse and suffering endured by the Lord Jesus to reconcile us rebellious humans to a holy God and to secure the victory of God's kingdom.

I. The Lonely Suffering of the Victim, 1-21 (G. Campbell Morgan)

1. *He endured abandonment by God, 1-5*

Verse: 1. NT//: Mt 27:46, "Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, 'Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?' that is, 'MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME?' // Mk 15:33-34.

- 1) The Sufferer felt abandonment by God, 1-2
- 2) The Sufferer confessed the holiness of God, 3-4

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2. *He was rejected and despised by contemporaries, 6-8*

Verse: 7-8. NT//: Mt 27:41-43, "In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders were mocking him and saying, 'He saved others; He cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe in him. HE HAS TRUSTED IN GOD; LET GOD RESCUE *Him* now, IF HE DELIGHTS IN HIM; for he said, 'I am the Son of God.'"

3. *He had exercised youthful trust in Jehovah, 9-10*

Verse: 10. NT//: Lk 2:48-49, "His mother said to him, 'Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress.' And he said to them, 'Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?'"

4. *He experienced strong animosity and opposition causing deep distress and issuing in a cry for help, 11-18*

Verses: 15-18 NT//:

Verse 15: Jn 19:28, "After this, Jesus, knowing that all things had already been accomplished, in order that Scripture might be fulfilled, said, 'I am thirsty.'"

Verse 16c: Jn 20:25, 27, "[Thomas] said to them, 'Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.'" "[Jesus] said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.'"

Verse 17: Mt. 27:36, "Then they sat down and kept watch over him there."

Jn 19:23-24, "Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments and made four parts, a part to each soldier and also his tunic; now that tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from the top. So they said to one another, 'Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it, to decide whose it shall be'; this was in order that the Scripture would be fulfilled: 'THEY DIVIDED MY GARMENTS AMONG THEMSELVES, AND THEY CAST LOTS FOR MY CLOTHING [Ps 22:18].'" //Mt 27:35; Mk 15:24

5. *He prayed for and received deliverance from strong enemies, 19-21*

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II. **Triumphant Joy of the Victor, 22-31**

1. *He exercised personal confidence in Jehovah's deliverance, 22-24*

NT//: Heb 2:11-12. "For both He who sanctifies and those who are sanctified are all from one *Father*; for this reason He is not ashamed to call them brothers *and sisters*, saying [Ps 22:22], 'I WILL PROCLAIM YOUR NAME TO MY BROTHERS, IN THE MIDST OF THE ASSEMBLY I WILL SING YOUR PRAISE.'" (NASB 2020)

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2. *He rejoiced in the victory of Jehovah and His kingdom, 25-31*

Verse: 27. NT//: Jn 12:32 (NKJV), "And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to myself."

Verse: 28. NT//: Rev. 11:15, "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ; and he will reign forever and ever."

Verse: 31. NT//: Jn 19:30, "It is finished!"