

# Bible Study: Book of Psalms

Date	August 27, 2025	Wednesday Night Class
Connecting Scriptures/Thoughts	<b>Psalm 120- Prayer for Deliverance</b>	
<p>“This is the first of fifteen Songs of Ascents (Psalms 120-134). They were evidently songs used by pilgrims on their way up to the Temple at Jerusalem for the feasts. The present psalm seems sharply personal, although in a pilgrim context it voices very well the homesickness of those who have settled among strangers and enemies.</p> <p>It appears that this man was surrounded by a lying neighbor. “The prayer reminds us what the world we live in is like. It is a world filled with lies. He lived amongst unbelievers which is a constant threat in our world today.</p>	<p>[1] In my distress I called to the LORD, and he answered me.  [2] Deliver me, O LORD, from lying lips, from a deceitful tongue.  [3] What shall be given to you, and what more shall be done to you, you deceitful tongue?  [4] A warrior’s sharp arrows, with glowing coals of the broom tree!  [5] Woe to me, that I sojourn in Meshech, that I dwell among the tents of Kedar!  [6] Too long have I had my dwelling among those who hate peace.  [7] I am for peace, but when I speak, they are for war! (ESV)</p>	

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<p>Help for the Psalmist comes from God. The Ascents refer to Jerusalem located on the hill.</p> <p>Verses 1-2 teach us that the Lord helps His followers. We learn from vs.3-8 how the Lord helps His followers</p> <p>Hebrews 4:16  Jude 24  Hebrews 13:5-6  1 Thess 5:23</p>	<p>[1] I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?  [2] My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.  [3] He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.  [4] Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.  [5] The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand.  [6] The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.  [7] The LORD will keep you from all evil he will keep your life.  [8] The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore. (ESV)</p>	

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<p>To be able to worship God is joyful, because He chose us, because we are together.</p> <p>Hebrews 12:22-24</p>	<p>[1] I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the LORD!”</p> <p>[2] Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!</p> <p>[3] Jerusalem—built as a city that is bound firmly together,</p> <p>[4] to which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the LORD.</p> <p>[5] There thrones for judgment were set, the thrones of the house of David.</p> <p>[6] Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! “May they be secure who love you!</p> <p>[7] Peace be within your walls and security within your towers!”</p> <p>[8] For my brothers and companions’ sake I will say, “Peace be within you!”</p> <p>[9] For the sake of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek your good. (ESV)</p>	

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<p>This Psalmist begins with the singular and then to the plural. Why might the order be important?</p> <p>Looking at God in a loving way for the salvation He has brought to us.</p>	<p>[1] To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!</p> <p>[2] Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maidservant to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the LORD our God, till he has mercy upon us.</p> <p>[3] Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us, for we have had more than enough of contempt.</p> <p>[4] Our soul has had more than enough of the scorn of those who are at ease, of the contempt of the proud. (ESV)</p>	

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<p>This could be referring to one of the many times God has delivered Israel from their enemies.</p> <p>God still remains the great deliverer. Colossians 1:12-14</p> <p>As children of God we can ask Him to deliver us from evil. Matthew 6: 13</p> <p>2 Peter 2:9 keeps us away from the snare of sin.</p>	<p>[1] If it had not been the LORD who was on our side— let Israel now say—</p> <p>[2] if it had not been the LORD who was on our side when people rose up against us,</p> <p>[3] then they would have swallowed us up alive, when their anger was kindled against us;</p> <p>[4] then the flood would have swept us away, the torrent would have gone over us;</p> <p>[5] then over us would have gone the raging waters.</p> <p>[6] Blessed be the LORD, who has not given us as prey to their teeth!</p> <p>[7] We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowlers; the snare is broken, and we have escaped!</p> <p>[8] Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth. (ESV)</p>
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Connecting Scriptures/Thoughts	<b>Psalms 125-</b> Prayer to the Protector and provider of justice	
<p>Do you feel like a mountain of Faith?</p> <p>Here it says you should be a mountain surrounded by THE MOUNTAIN!</p> <p>1 Corinthians 16:13</p> <p>You cannot be moved as a believer and He will surround you.</p> <p>The prayer is to do good to the good and allow evildoers to have their die justice.</p>	<p>[1] Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever.</p> <p>[2] As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his people, from this time forth and forevermore.</p> <p>[3] For the scepter of wickedness shall not rest on the land allotted to the righteous, lest the righteous stretch out their hands to do wrong.</p> <p>[4] Do good, O LORD, to those who are good, and to those who are upright in their hearts!</p> <p>[5] But those who turn aside to their crooked ways the LORD will lead away with evildoers! Peace be upon Israel! (ESV)</p>	