

Book of Revelation – Case Study I - “Psalm 22” {Part B}

The Psalm of the Cross

Series REV-24

Psalm 22 “Psalm of the Cross” Cont’d

As we continue exploring this precious Psalm, which reveals the suffering of Christ for each of us, we need to keep this in mind, that He didn’t just die for our *sins*, but our suffering also. As we behold His suffering, we are strengthened to endure when times of severe suffering and trial comes to each of us. {If you haven’t thought about reading or rereading Paul Coneff’s book, “*The Hidden Half of the Gospel*”, I would encourage you again to embark on reading it.}

In last week’s Part A, a question was asked about the triad, listing the three parts of the third plea (this triad in vs. 19 & 20). The second part in vs. 20 says, “**Deliver My soul from the sword;**” and then this next expression in the Hebrew is intriguing, “**My precious life [“My darling,” KJV] from the power of the dog**” is a very unique phrase. It has been one of intrigue, but perplexity down through the ages for those who have studied it.

What could that superlative mean but that which was dearest to Him, dearer than life or salvation itself? In your own words after some prayerful thought, (which may include study) share what you think this phrase means: _____

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THE VICTORY

In verse 21, we have a change in the thought process of Jesus. His third plea of the final triad has just been expressed and then as if a switch goes off in Christ’s mind these words, “**for Thou has heard Me from the horns of the wild oxen.**” What do you think He is saying? _____

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How did He know His Father “heard” Him, since the whole time on the cross, there has just been silence from heaven? Further, Christ “could not see through the portals of the tomb.” How then do you explain what this passage means? _____

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This is very significant because the next verse (vs.22) indicates an expression of **praise** and victory. Something brought this change and verse 21 reveals that change.

The Cross

- Genesis 3:8-24 - (Promise Given) Seed would crush serpent's head
- Romans 8:31-35 - God justifieth because of the Cross
- Romans 3:20-28 - God freely justified us (declared us righteous) through the faith of Jesus
- Education 263 - Suffering sin has caused our Creator
- 1 Spiritual Gifts 22-23 - The Day sin entered our world Christ obtained permission to become our Saviour
- Gethsemane / Calvary - It is Finished