

# **A Study of the Psalms**

Psalm 128 - 130

***Psalm 129:5-8***

# Psalm 120-134

- Psalms 120-134 are called “Songs of Ascent.”
  - These psalms may have been sung as pilgrims made their way to Jerusalem to worship the Lord.
  - All ceremonially clean and able-bodied men were required to journey to Jerusalem each year for all three feasts.
    - Passover
    - Feast of Weeks (Pentecost or Harvest Feast)
    - Feast of Tabernacles (Feast of Booths)

# Psalm 128

- The Family that Fears the Lord is Blessed.
  - The blessedness of the individual. vs 1-2

# Psalm 128

- 1 Blessed is every one who fears the LORD,  
Who walks in His ways.
- 2 When you eat the labor of your hands, You  
shall be happy, and it shall be well with  
you.\*

\* “...in the context of ancient Israel, it consisted of a productive farm, and a faithful wife and children around the table together...” (ESV SB)

# Psalm 128

- The Family that Fears the Lord is Blessed.
  - *The blessedness of the individual. vs 1-2*
  - The blessedness of the home. vs 3-4

# Psalm 128

- 3 Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine In the very heart of your house, Your children like olive plants All around your table.
- 4 Behold, thus shall the man be blessed Who fears the LORD.

# Psalm 128

- The Family that Fears the Lord is Blessed.
  - *The blessedness of the individual. vs 1-2*
  - *The blessedness of the home. vs 3-4*
  - The blessedness of the nation. vs 5-6

# Psalm 128

- 5 The LORD bless you out of Zion, And may you see the good of Jerusalem All the days of your life.
- 6 Yes, may you see your children's children. Peace be upon Israel!

# Psalm 129

- A prayer for the Shame of Israel's Enemies.

# Psalm 129

- 1 “Many a time they have afflicted me from my youth,” Let Israel now say—
- 2 “Many a time they have afflicted me from my youth; Yet they have not prevailed against me.
- 3 The plowers plowed on my back; They made their furrows long.”
- 4 The LORD is righteous; He has cut in pieces the cords of the wicked.

# Psalm 129

- 5 Let all those who hate Zion Be put to shame and turned back.
- 6 Let them be as the grass on the housetops,  
Which withers before it grows up, **Isa 51:12**
- 7 With which the reaper does not fill his hand,  
Nor he who binds sheaves, his arms.
- 8 Neither let those who pass by them say,  
“The blessing of the LORD be upon you;  
We bless you in the name of the LORD!”

# Psalm 130

- The Soul that Waits on God.
  - The cry for help. vs 1-4

# Psalm 130

- 1 Out of the depths I have cried to You, O LORD;
- 2 Lord, hear my voice! Let Your ears be attentive To the voice of my supplications.
- 3 If You, LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?
- 4 But there is forgiveness with You, That You may be feared.

# Psalm 130

- The Soul that Waits on God.
  - *The cry for help. vs 1-4*
  - The patient waiting. vs 5-6

# Psalm 130

5 I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, And in His word I do hope.

6 My soul waits for the Lord More than those who watch for the morning—Yes, more than those who watch for the morning.

# Psalm 130

- The Soul that Waits on God.
  - *The cry for help. vs 1-4*
  - *The patient waiting. vs 5-6*
  - Exhortation to hope. vs 7-8

# Psalm 130

- 7 O Israel, hope in the LORD; For with the LORD there is mercy, And with Him is abundant redemption.
- 8 And He shall redeem <sup>\*deliver</sup> Israel From all his iniquities. <sup>\*Psalm 25:22</sup>