Series: Standing on the Promises NO GOOD THING WILL HE WITHHOLD PSALMS 84

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Introduction:

1. GOD'S PLACE (VS. 10)

Psalms 84:10

¹⁰ For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

A. The Place of Service

David tells us that he had rather be the lowly door keeper in the House of God that to enjoy the all the wealth and luxury of evil. In other words, David says that he would rather be found serving the Lord than serving the Devil! The Bible makes it clear that every saint of God has a special place of ministry and service to the Lord.

1 Corinthians 12:7-12

⁷ But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. ⁸ For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; ⁹ To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit; ¹⁰ To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues: ¹¹ But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will. ¹² For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ.

Ephesians 4:16

¹⁶ From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

Now, while some positions are more visible than others, none is any more or less valuable than any other position in the body of Christ. The greatest thing a man can say is that he is being faithful to the task God has called him to. B. A Place of Surrender

The words "my God" seem to infer a sense of devotion to God. David is saying that he wants to be found in his place, surrendered to the perfect will of God for his life. In other words, he wants to die on the battlefield faithfully serving the Lord who sought him and bought him out of sin and destruction.

There is no higher calling than that of simply being what the Lord wants you to be!

C. A Place of Satisfaction

David is telling us by his decision that he believes the Lord's worst is still better than the devil's best!

Nothing is more satisfying that serving the Lord and knowing that you are in His will.

2. God's Provisions (vs.11)

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A. His Presence

David calls the Lord a sun. Like the sun above, the Lord is ever with His children.

Hebrews 13:5

⁵ Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

Matthew 28:20

²⁰ Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Like the sun above, the Lord is ever providing comfort for the journey.

God lights our way, He warms our way and gives guidance to us along the way.

Just as the sun delights the hearts of men, so the Lord delights the hearts of His children!

B. His Protection

The Lord is also called a shield. Just as He provides warmth and light for our journey, He also provides protection for His people in the way.

He is above us to give us what we need and He is all around us to protect us.

We are kept by His power.

1 Peter 1:5

⁵ Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

C. His Promises

Now the Psalmist tells us that the Lord will give Grace and Glory. This is a two-fold promise to every child of God.

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We are promised His grace while we travel and His glory when we arrive at home.

There is help for today and hope for tomorrow.

D. His Plenty

Here we are reminded that the Lord delights in providing for the needs of His children.

Luke 12:32

³² Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

We must remember that we are His children and the sheep of His pasture.

Psalms 100:3

³ Know ye that the LORD he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

One reason we have the troubles we have and worry as we do is that we have forgotten to whom we belong! We are the Lord's people and we are His responsibility.

Matthew 6:24-33

²⁴ No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon. ²⁵ Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment? ²⁶ Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?²⁷Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature? ²⁸ And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: ²⁹ And yet I say unto vou, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ³⁰ Wherefore, if God so clothe the arass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? ³¹ Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? ³² (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. ³³ But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

3. GOD'S PROMISES (VS. 12)

Psalms 84:12

¹² O LORD of hosts, blessed is the man that trusteth in thee.

He reminds us that genuine happiness can be produced only by placing one's faith and trust in the Lord.

This speaks of a life that is yielded and walking in true faith. The person who walks in faith is blessed and can

count on the Lord showing Himself strong in their time of need.

Matthew 6:33

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Close:

It's a small thing for the Lord to meet our needs and take care of His children.