

19-Psalms-31-Transcript

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welcome to another Wednesday night Bible study and I have to begin tonight by apologizing for last week you'll see we're gonna cover psalm 66 and 67 this week I thought I covered psalm 66 last week and as it turned out there's a whole chunk of psalm 66 that I missed and I want to apologize for that the intent of these studies whenever we tackle a book in the scripture is to go line by line so I appreciate those in the chat and by email that reached out to me and and whatsapp that reached out to me to let me know that I had missed whole chunks of psalm 66 so we're gonna redo that this week I'm just gonna explain to you a little bit of what happened I as you know I travel quite a bit and add some weeks are pretty intense in terms of busyness last week I had a window of time not only to do the study but also to record it normally I will do the study over time over the week and then I'll record it you know the things they evening if it's live or with some other evening day time if it's not live but last week I had to do the study and record it and in a specific window of time so I was a bit rushed and when I went back to see what happened why why did I mess up the way that I did so I use a Bible software called accordance and what I do is I load up the Psalms that I'm or the book that I want to study you'll see those in the blue references and then in the grey

I just outlined the sort of the cross references that I want to relate back to the first in question so you'll see if you follow the blue scriptures that I'm in Psalm 65 I started verse 0 at 0 I then do my cross references verse 2 verses 3 to 4 verse 5 then verses 6 to 7 and then it should have said 8 to 13 but I missed the - so it says some 65 you'll see in red 800 verse 813 so what accordance does then is it just goes to the last verse of the chapter which in this case would have been verse 13 so verses 8 to 12 were skipped because I'm just doing this in real time and I have no scripts so then I just went on to psalm 66 and then you'll see I go 0 to 4 then 5 to 7 and then for some strange reason I have no clue why this happened instead of going then to psalm 66 verses 8 to 12 I put in Psalm 65 verse 8 to 12 so fortunately that means that what I wanted to cover in Psalm 65 8 to 12 and there were no real cross references that went with that I was able to cover the entire Psalm 65 but I died obviously messed psalm 66 that should have been sixty six eight to 12 and then sixty-six 13 to 18 and then sixty-six nineteen to twenty but I ended up missing psalm 66 eight to eighteen so ten whole verses of psalm 66 were completely missed so we're gonna recover that this evening let's open with a word of Prayer and then we'll get into psalm 66 and Psalm 67 God willing our Father we pause before you to thank you just for your loving kindness thank you for the the gift and the opportunity that we have to study your word to take your scripture your words seriously to understand that you are in thought of your word and you

want us to be people of all over we
thank you for the confidence that we can
have in your scripture and we pray God
that you'll just deepen our
understanding and as we uncover insights
and understanding in one area of the
text of the scriptures that that would
strengthen our understanding
areas of the scriptures we thank you
Father we ask this blessing now
and Jesus most holy name Amen so let's
begin them we are in psalm 66 and we'll
begin at first zero to the chief
musician a song or song make a joyful
noise unto God all you land so this is a
real cause for celebration and it is
global
whatever whatever has happened the whole
earth all lands all nations should make
a joyful noise for what God has done
sing forth the honor of his name's that
has been a controversy around his name
and in Matthew 24 Christ tells us that
we will be persecuted because of his
name but now we see that we can sing
forth the honor of his name so in the
end his name his triumphant make his
praise glorious
maybe we can put the emphasis on the his
make his praise glorious so there has
been controversy there have been false
gods idols being put forth people going
forward worshiping the Beast thinking
that the Beast is the Almighty and now
finally God has resolved this and it's
his name that we should in his praise
that we should make glorious sailing to
God and remember these are the elohist
ik songs so wherever we see God it's
yellow him say unto Allah him sent to
God how terrible are you in your work so
when God works he works in such a
terrifying way such an awesome way such
an awful way that everyone is just we

would say gobsmacked
everyone is just silent and in awe from
his power and his might so we say unto
God how terrible are you in your ways
through the greatness of your power
shall your enemies submit and we
certainly have historical record of this
with the great power of
being brought to nothing because of the
power the greatness of the power of the
a hobo they say to him how terrible are
you in your works through the greatness
of your power shall your enemies submit
themselves unto you so this verse three
here that we're in it sort of gives us
an indication that when we started in
verse 1 where we're saying here make a
joyful noise unto God all you lands that
the idea here that the whole earth is in
a joyful state we should not think for a
moment that it was easy to get here that
the world willingly came into this state
where it is happy to praise God so
something has happened in the earth to
get us to this place where all nations
are now joyful before God and then ready
to honor his name and there's no more
controversy but how we got there is
because of the terrible work of God the
terrifying work of God and and through
the greatness of his power the his
enemies have had to submit themselves
unto Him it sounds like they don't want
to that if they had a choice they would
do something else but in now at this
point they have no choice and they have
to submit themselves unto God all the
earth
this is prophetic the Psalms are partly
prophetic here's prophecy all the earth
shall worship Jehovah
hello him the God of Israel the whole
earth is going to worship Him
all the earth shall worship you so the

earth hates God
the earth is in a spirit of hostility
toward God the earth wants it the God of
Israel they want nothing to do with him
and yet the prophecy says that all the
earth shall worship you and shall sing
unto you they shall sing to your name
Selah this is such confidence that we
can have in the scriptures that as much
as they despise the name of God the Holy
One of Israel as much as they hate God
there's something in the future now and
all of that changes and the whole earth
worships God and the whole earth sings
imagine that imagine the the kind of
music thing when you think of these
talented musicians and how they use
their talent but to do evil to to praise
themselves to to praise idols but now
all of this talent that's in the earth
will be directed to praise the creator
of the earth the God of Israel so the
whole earth shall praise you and will
sing unto you that's gonna be incredible
they shall sing to your name Selah
we need to meditate about that now how
do we get there let's look what Jeremiah
to say Jeremiah 25:41 in terms of how
the whole earth comes to this place
where they're willing to praise the God
of Israel jeremiah verse 25 chapter 25
verse 31 a noise shall come even to the
ends of the earth so this involves the
whole earth a noise is gonna come is
gonna terrify the whole earth and noise
shall come even to the ends of the earth
for the Lord has a controversy with the
nations so these nations that eventually
sing to God praise God submit to God
they they get to that place by God
resolving the controversy that he has
with them so he says the Lord has a
controversy so a noise shall come even
to the ends of the earth and remember

Deuteronomy 30 the original prophecy for Moses that because of the rebellion of Israel they will be scattered to the ends of the earth they will be humiliated in the ends of the earth and so here now Jeremiah is showing us that God while we know the prophecy is that God is going to gather his people from the ends of the earth so a noise shall come even to the ends of the earth why for the Lord has a controversy with the nations why because they have a controversy with his people they are humiliating his people degrading his people they are enslaving his people and so God has a controversy with them the Lord has a controversy with the nation's he will plead with all flesh on an O from Isaiah that he's going to plead with all flesh for the sake of his people the tribes of Israel he will give them that are wicked to the sword says the Lord and so this is why when those who survived this are left they're going they're going to realize this is a god that is terrible this is a god of incredible power incredible might and he's going to give the wicked to the sword back to psalm 66 so that gives us an indication of how we see in this song a world where the whole world is in unity the whole world is happy to sing in praises to the God of Israel how did we get there God as a controversy with the world and he brings his incredible power to release his people as Moses tells us in Deuteronomy 30 and to gather his people and bring them back to the promised land as he promised the forefathers and to resolve this controversy with the nation some 66 verse five come and see the works of God he is terrible in his doing toward the children it meant now if we

read the songs absent of the Torah if we
read the Psalms absent of the prophetic
right writings
if we just read them a sort of nice
Christian literature nice Christian
hymns then it's old come and see the
works of God he's terrible and he's
doing toward the children of man and it
just sounds somewhat generic but if we
read it through the lens of Torah and
through the magnifying glass of the
prophetic words then we realize that
it's Israel saying to the nation's come
and see the works of law
he is terrible in his doing toward the
children mentor could be Israel saying
to fellow Israelites come and see the
works of Elohim Jehovah Yahweh come and
see his faithfulness to his people his
faithfulness to his covenant he is
terrible in his doing toward the
children of man so God thought the way
that he works is he uses Gentile nations
to punish his people but these Gentile
nations think that you know they have
the upper hand as Pharaoh thought that
it was he off his power and then when
God has been he's able to drive his
people to repentance and to the place of
softness of heart that he wants then he
exact judgment on the Gentile nations
and so that pattern is repeated
throughout the scriptures and it is
finalized price that he came to bring
that to the to bring the Torah to the
fall to fulfill it to the fall and so
we're going to see and witness in fact
in Isaiah
as well you are my witnesses and so now
come and see the works of God he is
terrible in his doing and when we say
the children of men you mean the
Gentiles he's terrible in his doing
toward the Gentiles now as an example

the psalmist goes back and we go back
and we look at ancient Israel and he
goes back and he points to what happened
with Pharoah in order to point forward
so that we can understand how the whole
earth comes to praise God so we go
backwards then to look at what happened
anciently with Pharaoh he turned the sea
into dry land they went through the
flood on foot look at this this is
incredible that this mighty very
powerful global Empire at the time
ancient Egypt this this Empire that was
just looked like it would last forever
he released his people from this slavery
from this captivity and and from there a
nation was born that that was born with
the intent to rule the whole earth so
this nation was born out of slavery this
nation was born out of humiliation this
nation was born in a subjection but God
is terrible to the children of men
and terrible to Pharaoh in order to
release his people and establish them as
a nation so that's the pattern that
we're looking back to - in order to look
forward that dog turned the sea into dry
line
that way there is no way out we just
opened up a path through the sea and
they went through the flood on the foot
that's what he did there
did we rejoice in it again the songs are
very Israelite centric that the songs
are for covenant people the Psalms are
for the people of the Covenant so the
people of the Covenant let's look back
and see you know what anciently this is
what happened
and so going forward it's the same God
in the same covenant who's going to act
on behalf but this is this company of
community he rules by his power forever
so basically we go back in time to

ancient Israel and now we go forward
into forever that he rules by his power
forever

his eyes behold the nation's let not the
rebellious exalt themselves Selah so
again the psalmist sees this time when
the whole earth is at peace when the
whole earth is praising God when the
whole earth acknowledges the God of
Israel not just God not just any God the
God of Israel and sings to him

specifically to glorify his specific
name so there's no confusion about who
he is so the whole earth does this then
we go back in time to see when the
happened that the incredible power of
Egypt was brought down and his people
walked out on dry land and established
and got established it was a nation and
brought them into the promised land to
to to have dominance over the whole
earth and then from there people forward
into forever and and now there's a
controversy that God has with the
nations because they don't understand
what God is doing

they are blind to the covenants the
commitment of fidelity that God has made
to Israel and so his eyes are watching
the nations they're not going to get
away with humiliating his people and
destroying his people and men and their
objective is to completely wipe out
God's people we're not gonna get away
with that God is watching his eyes
behold the nation's let not the
rebellious exalt themselves and and
people who hate God who exists God
they have a pride that they work for and
that's really the first clue that
there's a problem that when people are
so proud and they have no regard for
human life
that they're so wonderful they're happy

to destroy others it's not it's not a
god it is not a God because the Spirit
of God respects the creation of God and
it's not gonna take joy in destroying
God's creation especially the creation
that is made in His image and in his
likeness so any religion any ideology
any philosophy that wholesale is happy
to destroy human life without any regard
for the value of that light and no hope
to their repentance is suspect it is we
have to examine it in a bit of
and it needs to come under scrutiny and
it can't be protected by man-made laws
to say you can't criticize this religion
or you can't criticize this ideology no
let's bring it on to the magnet through
the microscope and let's examine it
because we have a concern the god of
creation is not happy to destroy his own
creation made in His image and in his
likeness so let not the rebellious exalt
themselves

word exalt is really critical that those
who are following safety are taking
pride in him in the wrong things
let's go back to Jeremiah now and see
more context for this controversy that
God has with the nations and how the
nation's finally come to praise and love
God he says therefore this is a god -
Jeremiah prophesy you against them all
these words and say unto them the Lord
shall war from on high the whole of the
new terrifying business
the Lord shall war from on high and
utter his voice from his holy habitation
he he shall mightily roar upon his
habitation he shall give a shout as they
that tread the grapes for God
and this is another thing as well I
think a lot of us a lot of us Christians
have this view that Jesus Christ is so
loving and he's so tolerant to be so

free giving and everything goes and as long as you haven't committed the unpardonable sin everything's fine I think we have to read the scriptures more carefully and any sin any sinner can become the unpardonable sin if it is committed presumptuously and despising the holy spirit then any sin can become the unpardonable sin and we mustn't fall into the mistake that the Jews fell into when they didn't understand the two comings of Christ that they were looking for the Christ of the second coming the Messiah of the second coming who was coming to shed blood and coming to destroy and put down enemies I put the earth right that's who they were looking for and so when the land came this is the humble servant they just did not recognize him and so the humble servant came there's lots of writings about what he said and did and the early church how they followed him and so we understand the lamb in quite a bit of detail in the same way that the Jews understood the conquering Messiah the lion in quite a bit of detail we need to be careful that we are not looking for the lab to return we're not looking for him to return but the way he came the first time we need to understand he is furious the wickedness in the earth is beyond the pale and he is coming to shed blood and to break bones and he's going to roar from on high and he is furious we need to hide ourselves from his wife we need this wrath to pass over us and we can't do that before taking him for granted so we need to look at what you know we can't be saying oh you know we're the Church of God we can do whatever like that would be like in Jeremiah's day where the Jews were saying the Temple of

the Lord the Temple of the Lord
are these Jeremiah seven and they
thought they were safe because of that
the temple and and God said to them you
go and look what I did the shiloh and
don't trust in lying words and and in
the same way we cannot trust him lying
words we can't be sinning presumptuously
and think that everything's gonna be
fine when Christ returns so let's us be
very very careful that we are we looking
for a wrathful God the God who's
returning is coming full of wrath and we
understand that and we understand that
we can be hidden under his wings from
this life but not if we're sending
presumptuously that's just not gonna
work so he's gonna come he's gonna give
a shout as they that tread the Braves
he's coming to shed blood blood will be
up to the horses bridles
he's coming as they that tread grades
against all the inhabitants of the earth
let's not be looking for a God that
wants to hug the earth Jesus loves me
this I know for the Bible tells me so
and he just wants to give the whole
earth two big hug that's not what the
scripture says he has a controversy with
the nations and he's coming to humiliate
the nations so that they can break with
this satanic pride that they have so
he's coming against all the inhabitants
of the earth
a noise shall come away with a signal
first we read earlier in our reading in
the full context a noise shall come even
to the ends of the earth so this is far
and wide nobody can escape this route so
the Lord has a controversy with the
nations he will plead with all flesh he
will give them that our wicked to the
sword is coming to shed blood says the
Lord has continued now thus says the

Lord of Hosts behold evil shall go forth
from nation to nation so that is this
this great catastrophe great catastrophe
calamity is gonna go forth from nation
to nation he's coming to shed blood and
a great whirlwind shall be raised up
from the coasts of the earth and listen
to this listen to this place
let's read this slowly together
Jeremiah 25 verse 33 this is the God who
is returned and the slain of the Lord
shall be at that day from one end of the
earth even unto the other end of the
earth
let me just read that again the story
and the slave of the Lord the returning
Jesus Christ
those that he slays the slain of the
Lord shall be up that day from one end
of the earth even unto the other end of
the earth they shall not be lamented
neither gathered nor buried they shall
be done upon the ground that's what
that's what God thinks of them though
they will just be done upon the ground
there'll be so many of them this is the
context then that we need to look at
psalm 66 through the lens of the torah
specifically dude along 8:30 we just
read verses 1 to 8 there in Deuteronomy
30 but all of you all of the Torah
through the lens of the Torah and
through the lens of the clip of the
prophets so now we can understand what's
going on here
so as a result of God's fidelity as a
result of his faithfulness to his
covenant that this God when he speaks
not a single word falls to the ground
that everything he says he does
everything he promises he does and this
is why Abraham could have such
confidence to the understood this and
that was accounted to him for

righteousness and that's we are children of Abraham if were of the same faith of Abraham that we believe the Word of God but when he makes promises he never breaks them when he makes an oath he never breaks it that's why we're going to Hebrews six and we see that it's by two immutable things that we can have strong confidence in the future that's impossible for God to lie Oh bless our God you people now our God you people is speaking to Israel Oh bless our God you people of Israel and make the voice of his praise to be heard because the Gentile nations need to hear this the Gentile nations need to be educated because this is - Israel was originally to be and that will be a nation of priests a kingdom of priests and the job the role of Greece is to educate the world to facilitate a relationship between man and so now Israel would be put in this rightful place where they will bless God and make the voice of his praise to be heard and you can imagine when Israel sings for joy and and teaches the world how to praise God how to praise the God of Israel he says of this God which holds our soul in life the soul of Israel is held in life the will of the devil is to destroy every trace of the tribes of Israel God will not allow that because of his promise to the father's so he holds the soul the collective soul of Israel in life and suffers not our feet to be moved again you know if we approach the Psalms as nice Christian songs then this can just be generic and make it very very personal but he's speaking collectively and he's speaking specifically of Israel that Israel can not if the feet of Israel cannot be moved why is that because God made a

promise to Israel
I've made a promise to Abraham which
Israel inherited and so Israel is
forever in fact when you look at the
Gospel of Luke how it opens it makes it
clear that God will be the God of Israel
forever therefore there must be an
Israel forever which holds our soul in
life and suffers not our feet to be
moved for you O God have proved us who
is B us specifically speaking of Israel
God has proven Israel you have tried us
as silver as trial we go back to the
original prophecy Deuteronomy 30 Moses
laid down the original prophetic pattern
and every prophet that prophesized
basically amplifies what Moses laid down
in the Torah
so the original prophecy is that Israel
would be blessed because of this
covenant they would then be unfaithful
to the cup meant they would therefore be
cursed according to the Covenant and the
terms and conditions of the Covenant but
because of the immutability of God's
oath Israel will be redeemed Israel will
be saved and God would use the Gentile
nations to drive Israel to repentance to
purify Israel and to - to remove the
dross and the sin from Israel so that
they can be what he originally
to be for you old god have proved us
us-israel you have tried us as silver
astride so it is painful it's gonna be a
time of suffering the likes of which
we've never seen it's unprecedented
it has never been a time like this nor
will there ever be but out of it
God gets the jewel that he's looking for
you brought us into the net you laid
affliction upon our loins and you just
think of the the the various prophecies
specifically I'm thinking about tobacco
where there's such a wickedness among

the covenant community that Habakkuk
cries out and says God why do I have to
tolerate this why do I have to see this
rift in essen and you don't do anything
and God said so no more how about that I
am doing something I am doing something
and what I'm doing is I'm raising up the
Chaldeans that bitter and hasty nation
and they're gonna come through and
destroy my
but those that live by faith they will
be saved
you brought us into the net delayed
affliction upon our lawyers you have
caused men to ride over our heads
exactly that's what's happened
men have raised over our heads
you have paused men to ride over our
heads we went through fire and through
water but you brought us out into a
wealthy place so that is the fate to
this room that when all of this is said
and done when this Great Tribulation
falls and Israel is completely
vanquished and there's just the remnant
left they will be brought into a wealthy
place that the fate of Israel is going
to be joyous and this is why we have the
gospel this is why we have good news and
when you look at the second Isaiah which
is in the archive if you haven't studied
Isaiah it's really critical
understanding Isaiah is really critical
you better understand the toilet gotta
understand Isaiah but if you haven't
seen it line by line we begin on a
second Isaiah Isaiah 43 days is 66 which
is sort of the New Testament part of
Isaiah 27 chapters and so it begins with
an instruction to God's faithful to
comfort comfort you comfort you might
says your God so our God is telling us
to comfort his people speak you
comfortably to Jerusalem and crying to

her that her warfare is accomplished so
God brings these men to ride over
Jerusalem to ride over Israel to
humiliate and denigrate them to drive
you to repentance and then when they get
to that point of repentance again
Deuteronomy 30 that okay great the
punishment has worked we reached the
objective so now we can see we have good
news

your warfare is accomplished that her
iniquity is pardoned for she has
received with the Lord's hand double for
all her sins so again I encourage you if
you haven't if you weren't with us when
we did Isaiah to go back into the
archive and study Isaiah just makes it
so clear that's the context of Torah and
prophets are the context that we're
reading are the songs with some 66 verse
13 I will go into your house with burnt
offerings I will pay you my vows so all
of this is happening at a collective
level to the covenant community of
Israel and now within that context we
have a very personal relationship with
Rome and so every Israelite every
spiritual Israelites will have this
personal connection with God it's not
just it's not just national and again
you know the Jews are looking for if you
say salvation to Jews what they were
looking for was national salvation which
is correct the Messiah is coming to
bring national salvation what they were
not understanding was he's also coming
to bring personal salvation and there
needs to be a personal connection and a
personal relationship with God and they
were not understanding this so now we're
seeing in the psalm yes God is bringing
national salvation but there has to be a
personal relationship he's a personal
Savior and every individual in the

covenant community has to have this personal relationship with the Messiah so here we see it in the context of this national salvation we see the personal connection I will go into your house with

they said I'm gonna respond with incredible gratitude and worship I will go into your house with burnt offerings I will pay you my vows and so vows matter to God when we sit if something comes out of our lips we have to keep my vows and so he says here he will pay his vows which my lips have uttered and my mouth has spoken when I was in trouble so you know that that's that's humanity that when were in trouble they're like oh god if you get me out of this then I will do this that and the other thing we bet if that comes out of your mouth even if it's in a time of trouble you've just sort of desperate where you've got a hold you've got to hold your back and so here he's he's come through this time of trouble and it's like you know what I meant what I said and I'm going to pay my vows which my lips spoke when I was in

I will offer unto you burnt sacrifices of fatlings with the incense of rams I will offer bullocks with goats seal Isis just so overwhelmed with gratitude he's happy to worship God with his offerings come and hear all you that fear God and I will declare what he has done for my soil so this is really the the outcome of this personal connection to God is this incredible gratitude and this intense desire to share what God has done with everyone so that they can understand the fidelity of this God and and that the loving kindness of the God of Israel he says here I cried unto him with my mouth and he was extolled with

my tongue now listen if I regard
iniquity in my heart the Lord will not
that's what I was saying earlier any sin
can become the unpardonable sin if it's
done is untrusted or engaging in worship
and saying all the right things but
we're holding on to our sin we can't do
this there needs to be a wholeheartedly
translucent truth fear of the Lord and a
true desire to be right with him so any
of us let's all of us especially we're
getting you ready now to come into
Passover this is our opportunity to make
sure that our heart is right and we're
not regard we're not we're not giving
respect to iniquity and holding on to it
in any way that anything that God says
is wrong is wrong get rid of it it's
personal ego personal desires personal
lost dog grudges all of these things get
rid of them and don't hold them in our
heart because then the Lord will not
hear me and what a crisis if this wrath
is coming down upon that
and God is using the Gentiles to destroy
Israel
and we're crying out to him anyone
listen what a crisis that is but God
will listen he will hear the prayers of
the righteous and that's that's our
temperance but he will hear our prayers
if I regard iniquity in my heart the
Lord will not hear me
and so if we just got another tie now to
say within the covenant community not
everyone just cuz you're part of the
covenant community
not everybody waltzes into the kingdom
and here in Malachi 4 verse 1 he says
for behold the day cometh that shall
burn as an oven it's a day of wrath and
all the proud yes and all that do
wickedly shall be stubble and the day
that come shall burn them up says the

Lord of Hosts and that's Gentiles but is
also Israelites who are stubborn
Israelites who are pride is really
prideful Israelites who will not let go
of their iniquity they're they'll bear
consider with that it shall leave them
neither root nor branch God is sifting
and he's looking for that pure gold
but unto you that fear my name shall the
Sun of righteousness arise with healing
in his wings so that's the key
distinction that's the key criteria do
you fear his name or do we act
presumptuously so to those that fear his
name shall the Sun of righteousness
arise with healing in his wings and you
shall go forth and grow up it does
calves of the stall so we all have
wicked hearts but God is looking for
truly penton's and when we when we have
that true repentance he blesses us with
His Holy Spirit and that Holy Spirit
takes over our thinking and and we
comply every thought comes conformed to
the mind of Christ and we shall go forth
and grow up as calves of the stall and
you shall tread down the wicked for they
shall be ashes under the soles of your
feet in the day that I shall do this set
the load of the hosts Lord for so the
wicked yes
Gentiles are going to be wicked and
they're going to be
they're driven to repentance as well but
many of them are going to be shed and
they're just bodies are going to be
running everywhere and I could be
everywhere that's the fate of the review
but there's also wicked within the
covenant community and Christ even tells
us that brother would betray brother
will be that level wickedness within the
community that's why it's so important
that we make sure our hearts are right

because we never want to have that seed
of bitterness that seed of evil growing
in our heart towards the covenant
brother or system so that Satan can then
trick us and deceive us into that we
don't want anything to do with it
because the wicked both outside the
community and inside the community shall
be ashes under the soles of the
righteous finishing off psalm 66 then
but truly but truly God has heard me he
has attended to the voice of my friend
you know all of this calamity the
psalmist can say truly God is her
to the points of no fair
blessed be God which has not turned away
my prayer
nor his mercy from me and it's almost
like the psalmist it's almost like he's
saying you know
there were others that were praying as
well but it's obvious to me that he
turned his ear away
he did not accept their first
but but blessed be God he heard my
prayers
and he's not turned away my prayer nor
is mercy from me so it just seems to be
kind of hidden and implied is that
there's a distinction that there were
others that were praying but God turned
away their breath and
the latest mercy from them but towards
the psalmist assemble this is
overwhelming my prayers got through to
him and he's not turned his mercy away
from me so very very interesting song
you know we see it starts out globally
on earth a whole earth that seems to God
that worships the god of israel but we
understand that it's true this terrible
works that the earth came to that state
and then within that context we
understand that he's faithful to Israel

and that he has a controversy with the nations and he's acting for the sake of his covenant with Israel and then within that covenant with Israel there's the personal relationship yes it's a national salvation but every individual within the nation must have that personal connection that Jesus Christ is our personal Savior and there must be that personal relationship with and we see the results that the the praise goes from the whole earth singing to God to Israel singing to God to this specific individual psalmist praising and worshipping God it's not going to Psalm 67 again similar it's actually good we do these two songs together it's so similar in sentiment to the chief musician on Meghan off a psalm or song God be merciful unto us and bless us and cause his face to shine upon us now again the US is Israel so let's not be confused and think this is just generic to everybody on Europe scissor and in some very familiar it should keep Barris in mind of the Aaronic blessing the Lord bless you and keep you the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace so that's the blessing of Aaron upon Israel and this is how the song begins so by doing this by blessing Israel that you'll pay may be known upon the earth that's the whole point that this this nation this peculiar nation has been called out and separate from all the other nations their purpose is to make God's Way known so by being gracious to Israel God's Way can be made on the earth so eat the psalmist understand very clearly the purpose of Israel and many many Israelites and I

say this in the sense of the tribes of Israel both Judah the Jews but also those who are obviously like nations who know that their appeals relied nations sometimes they forget even even Gentiles grafted in to Israel when we forget what's the purpose of Israel and we think the purpose is always just not salvation so it's very similar to those who believe they're going to heaven and we believe we're going to the kingdom we think it's just all about us the more the purpose Israel has a purpose and it's to educate the whole world in being the whole world to conform to Christ so by being gracious to Israel God's Way may be known upon the earth your saving health among all nations

so by through the salvation of Israel salvation can then be extended to all nations and this is what we see now in Joel

the prophets oh look at the prophecy of Joel 3:2

I will also gather all nations and will bring them down to the valley of Jehoshaphat and will plead with them there remember Jeremiah said that they're going is going to Cle the other controversy with the nations is going to cleave but then here we see what the controversy is and how God is going to fade with them or what he's going to plead I will plead with them there for my people

so these Gentile nations have taken his people captive and God is coming to release them and he's going to gather them at Jehoshaphat and and and plead with them there for his people for my heritage Israel so God's heritage he's going to inherit Israel Israel is his and the world is doing everything they can to do under Satan's influence to

destroy Israel
but God is coming back to plead with all
nations for his heritage
whom they have scattered among the
nation's that's why we saw earlier in
psalm 66 that and in Jeremiah 25 that
this noise has to go to all the ends of
the earth because the nations have
scattered his people to all the ins fear
and so God needs to gather his people
from the ends of the earth so he says I
will plead with them there for my people
and for my heritage Israel whom they
have scattered among the nations and
parted my land God is very specific
about this land there's promised land
it's his or shouldn't be it shouldn't be
dividing it up but that's what they're
gonna be doing Psalm 67 them so that's
the context of the Prophet so we need
the Torah and we need the prophets in
order to understand what whether the
psalm is talking about verse 3 let the
people praise you O God let all the
people praise you
then you shall see oh sorry so so knew
what Isaiah 60 but the people is Israel
let Israel praise
but all israel crazy now why would they
be praising them look at Isaiah 60 and
again and encourage you've haven't seen
if you have with us with the study of
Isaiah 2 look at that he says here in
Isaiah 60 verse 5 then you shall see God
is speaking to Israel and flow together
and your heart shall fear and be
enlarged because the abundance of the
sea shall be converted unto you saw
earlier in psalm 66 he said that Israel
has been brought through young men words
stepping over our heads and crushing us
but then were brought into after we've
been refined were brought into a wealthy
place this is the wealthy place that

these Gentile nations are going to bring the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto you so they're gonna bring all the riches to Israel and the wealth of the Gentiles shall come unto you so they're all coming to Israel with their wealth

Israel now that they recognize that Israel is God's heritage Psalm 67 verse 4 oh let the nation's be glad and sing for joy so the the exultation of Israel the restoration of Israel the redemption of Israel is good for everybody and so now that Israel is redeemed all the nations can be glad and sing for joy for you shall judge the people righteously and govern the nations upon the earth Selah

so this is this is the vision that we can have the confidence we can have of the future that the whole world will finally come to understand and see continuing then in Isaiah 60 again just to put the context around Psalm 67 as is 60 and verse 12

so the whole earth is going to rejoice he says here the nations will be glad and sing the joy for you shall judge the people righteously and govern the nations upon the earth look at me listen now to Isaiah chapter 60 verse 12 for the nation and Kingdom that will not serve you shall perish so this is how the whole world finally comes to comply that God isn't joking and it's going to rule with an iron rod and the whole earth is going to comply and if they don't they'll be destroyed and people will see that and they'll come to accept even though God's ways are good for them they're resistant and if they have to be shown God is not joking and then finally they'll accept something and worship God properly

yeah those nations shall be utterly
wasted so that's the context song city
centres 5 let the people praise you O
God that all the people praise you and
serve back to as I a 60 this time we'll
pick up in verse 14 the sons also of
them that afflicted you shall come
bending unto you
and although that dismal day that
despised you shall bow themselves down
at the soles of your feet and they shall
call you the city of the Lord but they
are now acknowledging this is the Lord's
land you are the people of God and this
is the city of the Lord the Zion of the
Holy One of Israel so they're
acknowledging his name now he is the
Holy One of Israel whereas you have been
Forsaken and hated so that no man went
through you I will make you listen to
this and eternal excellency this is
speaking of Israel I will make you an
eternal excellency a joy of many
generations so this is what the whole
earth is going to come to see that these
these these people that God has entered
into a covenant with our special people
and they have a special place in the
earth and when they take that special
place in the earth the earth is right
and those of us who are fresh fruits
we're gonna be overseeing this whole
operation on the earth to help God put
the earth right he says verse 6 of Psalm
67 then shall the earth yield her
increase so after all this warfare and
catastrophe and calamity but now when
the earth is put right now the earth
will have peace and now the earth will
have abundance this you know what we
celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles we
picturing the Millennium now we go into
the millennial reign of Christ and the
earth shall yield her increase and God

even our own God shall bless us Israel
now talked about Isaiah 40 and the good
news and to comfort the people of God
but now discontinuing in Isaiah 40 we'll
pick up in verse 10 behold the Lord God
will come with strong hand and his arm
shall rule for him behold his reward is
with him and his work before him there's
lots to be done when he comes
he shall feed his flock like a shepherd
he shall gather the Lambs with his arm
and carry them in his bosom and shall
gently lead those that are with young
these are the the physical people of God
that he's coming to save and we who
understand all of this we are
proclaiming this as good news that God
is faithful to his covenant he will not
renege on his covenant and so these
people can have confidence that God will
come through for them in the end Psalm
67 verse 7 God shall bless us so the
psalmist is acknowledging now that
Israel is blessed
despite the trouble Israel will come
through the trouble God shall bless us
and all the ends of the earth shall fear
Him did you notice the distinction that
there's a blessing and there's awe and
regard and overwhelming exaltation of
what God is doing but what God is doing
he's doing through Israel but God is
gonna bless Israel he's going to release
his rayul from the captivity from one
end of the other four corners of the
earth he's going to gather Israel and
bring them to the promised land and
exalt them but whoever's left is the
remnant
left and all those of the earth by going
to Tom and worship him through Israel
and that's where we see Zechariah 14 we
usually read zechariah 14 at each feast
where we read the same prophecy here in

isaiah 60 but those nations that do not cooperate and do not acknowledge that the lord god is but the Holy One of Israel and that Israel are the Covenant people and they need to come and bring their wealth and their honor to Israel to learn with the God of Israel from the people the Covenant people of Israel that those who didn't incorporate those seemed to perish the rest then will honor God they're the whole earth he's gonna sing to him and praise him and just see his magnificent work when the scriptures are opened up to them and they see this is a god of his world he does exactly what he says and that's the power of our God he's the only one that can dips they're the from the beginning and from ancient times that which is not yet done saying my counsel shall stand but a great God we serve I'm so glad actually that wicked psalm 66 to 67 together god bless you bless the name of the lord he's coming and is coming faithful to his wife