

## 19-Psalms-34-Transcript

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welcome to another Wednesday night Bible study we're up to some 70 and God will and will cover Psalm 70 and 71 this evening will open with a word of Prayer and then get straight into this evening study father we pause to acknowledge you to praise your holy name and to thank you Lord for your faithfulness and we thank you these writings these ancient writings that we can study study together in this very troubled time and time of great uncertainty that we can have confidence and faith in you our rock and our salvation we praise you Lord we thank you we ask that you please bless our study bless our understanding deepen our faith and our conviction we praise you Lord and thank you now and ask for this in Jesus Holy Name Amen it's work to UM Psalm 17 and Psalm 70 is a very short song it's five verses and it's sandwiched in between two the longer songs on 69 and some 71 some 71 well covered today it's it could go with either some people argue that it's a you know in the same theme as Psalm 69 it should be read with Psalm 69 others of the commentators I've seen have argued that it's sort of introductory to Psalm 71 and should be read with some 71 so we'll go ahead and way it worked out for us as it's coupled with song 71 it's a look at Psalm 17 and you'll see here that it's to the musician and it's a psalm of David to bring to remembrance and this is in in book two of the psaltery it's interesting that this is very similar to a psalm we covered in

book one of the software so we'll show you that in a second but we'll just read the verses here make haste  
o God to deliver me make haste to help me O Lord so the psalm opens clearly David is in trouble and he's looking for God's assistance and its help and there's a sense of urgency here however and we'll see in Psalm  
brenn in Psalm 40 here is calm but so many keys tell me liova let them be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul so this is what we would call an imprecatory song meaning he's calling down curses on his enemies and he wants them to be ashamed and and so they're seeking to shame him he wants them to be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul let them be turned backward and put to confusion that desire my hurt let them be turned back for a reward for the of their shame that say ah ha ha ha let all those and on the other hand let all those that seek you rejoice and be glad in you and that such as love your salvation say continually let God be magnified and here in book 2 being an alum histah calm he says let Elohim be magnified in the first Psalm it's let's ahora be magnified but I'm poor and me be  
make haste unto me o God you are my help and my deliverer Oh God  
make no Terry so it ends with this clear confidence that the Lord is his deliverer and this urgent command to God to not don't don't delay he's in clearly danger clear danger now compare this to Psalm 40 in book 1 be pleased the Lord to deliver me O Lord make haste to help me let them be ashamed and confounded together that seek after my soul to destroy it  
let then be driven backward and put to

shame that wish me evil let them be  
desolate for a reward for their shame  
that sound to me ah-ha-ah-ha  
that all those that seek you rejoice and  
be glad in you  
but such as love thy salvation say  
continually the Lord be magnified in  
here  
it's Yehovah but in the yellow mystic  
song it's that I love him be magnified  
but I'm poor and needy yet the Lord  
think of upon me you are my help and my  
deliverer make no tarrying oh my god so  
very similar slight variation but we've  
seen this song before and I won't go  
back through it because I did the  
analysis in Psalm 40 that's in the  
archive but it's interesting that many  
of the commentators are saying it's  
coupled with song 71 here in 771 you'll  
see there's no introduction we don't  
know who wrote this song we don't know  
what the purpose of the song was but in  
terms of the introduction but that it's  
coupled with Psalm 77 argue that it is  
King David writing this Psalm as well  
I tend to believe that just just looking  
at the comparison to Psalm 40 obviously  
and also the well actually so much they  
saw him 70 if it Givet if they do go  
together that clearly would be the same  
author and the theme is similar to some  
70 there's the same urgency there's a  
bit more in terms of the confidence that  
he has in Yehovah in God here in Psalm  
71 so let's go through son 71 in the Oh  
Lord and whoever it is we're going to  
see that this person is now elderly and  
this is a person that has walked with  
God since their youth and they're now  
elderly and they are because of the  
experience they've had with God and His  
faithfulness even though they're in  
trouble in their old age they are still

very confident out there they're totally  
confident in God's ability to save so  
maybe it's David I tend to think it is  
but even if it's not doing it it's  
somebody who's been faithful to God  
since

I will see that and they're now there in  
your old age envy

Oh Lord do I put my trust let me never  
be put to confusion and now we hear the  
imperatives of what he needs got to do  
deliver me in your righteousness so  
again whoever this is understand that  
it's not his righteousness why God  
should deliver him but it's because of  
the faithfulness of God that that  
covenant faithfulness because of your  
covenant faithfulness deliver me and  
cause me to escape

so deliverer main cause me to escape  
incline thine ear unto me and save me  
again person is an older person they are  
confident in God and because it's  
because of their confidence in God that  
they can issue these imperatives deliver  
me cause me to escape incline your ear  
unto me save me be you my strong  
habitation and again all of this is  
predicated on God's righteousness not  
the righteousness of the song he never  
mentions his own righteousness it's all  
about God's righteousness we you my  
strong habitation where unto I may  
continually resort and this clearly

Asteria --nz since his youth  
you have given commandment to save me  
for you are my rock and my fortress and  
that again is continually throughout the  
scriptures that God is there for those  
who are faithful that those who wait  
upon the Lord will never be disappointed  
that he will show himself strong and  
valiant on behalf of those who love him  
and so he knows he has this confidence

from God's Word that he will be saved by  
God

now I'll compare this to Psalm 31 so so  
this this language the you my strong  
habitation warrant I made continually  
resort given commandment to save me you  
are my rock and my fortress and again  
these imperatives deliver me cause me to  
escape and climb there unto me save me  
because of his righteousness in Psalm 31  
we see Envy

Lord do I put my trust let me never be  
ashamed deliver me in your righteousness  
so the same notion here in Psalm 31 bow  
down thy ear to me deliver me speedily  
be you my strong rock for your for a  
house of defense to save me for you are  
my rock and my fortress  
therefore for your name's sake  
lead me guide me save understand it it's  
not for my sake

it's because of your name you're the  
Holy One of Israel

for the sake of your name it's lead me  
and guide me again we continue in Psalm  
sevens long with the imperative deliver  
me O God there's this command to God  
deliver me O my god

out of the hand of the wicked out of the  
hand of the unrighteous and cruel man  
and I think it's so important for us to  
be studying these Psalms and the  
emotional dimension of the personal  
relationship and personal walk with God  
and here's somebody that's walked with  
God all their life and now they're an  
old age and they're in trouble it's not  
that they're an old age and they can sit  
back and relax and all the heavy lifting  
has been done as a young person as an  
old person there's some very spiritual  
heavy lifting that has to be done and  
he's ready to do it and he has the  
confidence in God because of this

relationship that he has and he's fallen into the hands of the liquor now we don't know the particular details around Psalm 71 is not much context given to it but we do know these songs were heavily relied upon by God and the Apostles and and there they are prophetic in nature so this personal walk with God in my view it has prophetic significance and that the wicked when the wicked exert themselves and were in a time in in man's mankind's history when the whole world is unstable the whole world is teetering on the brink chaos and and you know looks like we're on the verge of World War we now have this coronavirus Oh what whoo-hoo hand flu that is spreading all over the world effective and the supply chains and and summer people some people are saying this his actual bioweapon that when the scientists look at it it is not just a normal organic clue it is actually something that was created by men as a bio weapon and it was actually developed in a lab in muha uh so that's what some say regardless of that that if it you know if it is something that has been developed by the communists as a bioweapon regardless it is still being weaponized it is still being recognized through the supply chain that that China we now realize how dependent the West is on the Chinese factories the fine Chinese manufacturing even to the point of pharmaceuticals and life-saving drugs that anytime now that supply chain can just be shut down and and all of these life-saving drugs would no longer be accessible so we see how vulnerable the Western nations are and then there are others that are saying they will they will deliberately spread this virus so you know we will see what happens in the

ensuing weeks and months but it is highly contagious if you're young with a strong immune system it probably will not be a problem just good hygiene and sleep and exercise and good diet you should be fine for those of us who have compromised immune systems are those of us who might be older or you are very young this is a very risky virus and we have to be very very careful but God willing you know we will be spared this however it doesn't mean we'll be spared everything and we're in a very very chaotic time and in this very chaotic time in Satan's world sickness flexing his muscles and his and then the Gentile nations are flexing their muscles and so we will be caught up in the dragnet one way or another and we're going to have to appeal to God look at so here is his delivery Oh God out of the hand of the wicked out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man so this old worship Jehovah is now caught in the hand of the wicked in the hand of the cruel man look at the prophecy in Habakkuk when Israel was so wicked the Habakkuk had to cry out to God and say why don't you do something and he says Oh Lord how long shall I cry and you will not hear you're not answering even cry out unto your violence they're killing your people your own people are killing your people and you will not save and then God answers and this is how he answers about cook behold you look among the heathen don't look for the answer to your prayer among God's people those people are the problem so look for the answer to your prayer among the heathen and regard and wonder marvelously it says this has never been done this is going to be astonishing why for I will work of work in your days

which you will not believe but what we told you and in fact God is telling about that and he doesn't believe it and what does this work that this mysterious worked this wondrous work that is so astonishing that even if somebody told Habakkuk or told us we would find it hard to believe well this is the work

verse 6 for lo I raise up the Chaldeans these are the bobble on the ancient Babylonians God is equipping them with wealth he's equipping them with strength he's equipping them with strategy he's equipping them with high motivation and ambition because he's raising them up I will raise up the Chaldeans that bitter and hasty nation this is the perfect tool for the job people who are roof

yes they are bitter and hasty how does a the psalmist describe them the songs describes him as the the unrighteous and cruel man so this the wicked that the cruel man well that's that's who God is raising up that bitter and hasty nation which shall march through the breadth of the land to possess the dwelling places that are not theirs

these controlling places do not belong to them but they want them and they're going to go in and take them they are terrible and dreadful these are the Babylonian Accords terrible and dreadful their judgment and their dignity shall proceed of themselves they shall come all for violence their faces selfs up up as the east wind and they shall gather the captivity as the sand so that coming in to take everybody captive if you're a righteous person living in the backwoods time you get caught up in the dragnet and that's what we have to understand is going to happen not only to God's



physical people but also to spiritual  
but the thing the Israelites who are in  
the New Covenant already who have the  
Holy Spirit as these nations of Israel  
collapse and are brought to judgment  
God's people are going to get caught up  
as well and we have to have this  
absolute confidence that we see with the  
psalmist's in the God of Israel in his  
righteousness in his covenant  
faithfulness he says bitch' Allah they  
shall come all for violence their faces  
shall suffer was the east wind and they  
shall gather the captivity as the sand  
so they're just gonna be taking  
everybody slaves and they shall scoff at  
the Kings and the princes shall be a  
scorn unto them so people who we thought  
were very powerful had all the wealth  
and weaponry and should be able to  
withstand any enemy know all that will  
mean nothing at the time of judgment  
they shall stop at the Kings and the  
princes shall be a scorn unto them they  
shall divide every stronghold for they  
shall keep dust and take it so this is  
what God is  
and when God does it there's no  
resistance so and again god bless  
President Trump for the valiant effort  
the Herculean effort he is making in  
trying to restore America and restore  
America's military but when God  
pronounces judgment on a nation none of  
that matters so we don't know how much  
time God is giving us for repentance no  
he doesn't want any soul to perish and  
God is very patient and when this comes  
because it is prophesied to be an  
endtime prophecy these things happen in  
patterns  
and although there's a an anti-type or  
an initial type it all points to Christ  
causing this to come to its full pattern

and full fulfillment in the end so this is an endtime prophecy but there's an end time fulfillment to this prophecy and nothing can stop this when God is the one raising up the Chaldeans and then Habakkuk is so stunned he cannot believe it he says are you not from everlasting or Lord my God my Holy One we shall not die he says you know you won't believe that I'm gonna do a work he won't believe even though I tell you and then he tells him and then about God's responses I can't believe it Oh Lord you have retained them for judgment that is the Chaldeans Oh and Almighty God you have established them that's the Chaldeans form correction so this goes all the way back to Deuteronomy 30 what Moses said would happen to them and the purpose of all of this was for correction to drive them to repentance Habakkuk understands this okay I see my people have gone way out of the Covenant they've completely violated the Covenant you've ordained this Gentile nation to correct us but it's gonna be painful and and in the midst of all of this there are going to be the faithful the faithful who can look at the Psalms and the the intimate relationship that the faithful have with the God Israel and and maintain that relationship themselves despite all of this that's going on around it he says you are a purer eyes than to behold evil and cannot look on iniquity why do you look upon them that deal treacherously and hold your tongue when the wicked devours the man that is more righteous than he so how can you let this happen now that Ibaka is coming into the full understanding of what the wicked will do and even the righteous will get caught

up in all of this how can you let this happen God and then so he's wondering about this in chapter 2 now he says and the Lord answered me and he said write the vision and make it plain upon tables gods of God ones had written down so that a hundred years later a thousand years later thousands of years later the righteous can pick it up read it and come to understand what God is doing and what the plan of God is and how he's going to bring his people back into a covenant relationship a faithful covenant relationship with him so the Lord answered me says Habakkuk and he said write the vision Habakkuk and make it plain upon tables why that he may run that reads it but that he may respond to he that is faithful and reads what God is doing can respond and respond quickly and respond deeply and faithfully that he may run that reads it the division is yet for an appointed time this is going to happen 100% guaranteed but it's for an appointed time the time of Jacob's trouble and it says it's as precise time in the history of that it's yet for an appointed time but at the end that's why I say even though it happens it has an initial fulfillment these things are patterns and there's an end time fulfillment fulfillment which is going to be even grander it's going to be unprecedented because Christ said it came to not to destroy the prophets but to fill them to the full so Christ came so that this could be filled to the full so at the end time this vision will speak and not lie no matter what it looks like this vision will not lie and though it Terry wait for it and again we're in this period where I would have thought that America would have been well on its way

to collapse and with it all the Western democracies all the Western Christian based nations I would have thought all of this would have been accelerating in terms of how it's going to collapse and yet over the last three years we see America restoring its strength America restoring its glory America we structurally restoring its position in the world and structurally meaning even when the man is gone there are some things that he has done and his administration has done to give America's strength in economic strength so this slows everything down what God says although this prophecy Terry said although it's delayed you wait for it there is absolutely no doubt it is happening though it Terry you wait for it because it will surely come it will not tarry so there's a point where the delay just stops and everything just unfolds behold his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him so there is there's wickedness on the earth and wickedness among God's people among the Gentiles but God says in all of this that just were reading the just the psalmist it we can be among the just in all of this those that we caught we bring to repentance can be counted among the just in all of this calamity that just shall live by faith and that's what we're seeing here in Psalm 71 how in the midst of calamity the just has faith and lives by that faith verse five for you are my hopes on 71 verse five for you are my hope Oh Lord God so in the midst of this calamity or my hope you are my trust notice this from my youth this is somebody I personally think it's King David but what doesn't have to be but it's somebody who has grown up in

this relationship with God and has just learned in these different circumstances and life's different twists and turns and eventualities this person has learned that God is always there God is always faithful but is faithful to his word and as he searched the word and come to understand the word he seems like wow when this God promises he never goes back on his promise he says by you have I been held up from the womb so now he's looking back on his life and he realizes from the womb God has been looking after him from the womb God has been watching over him and so from its you see he's in this relationship but even looking back further he realizes from his front from the from the womb he has been looked after you know for me when I look at my own life I came into the truth in my early 20s but it was at age 15 that God put in me this intense desire to know him and I stopped at nothing and searched everywhere to try to understand him and then looking back seeing how I was you know the only child of four born in one particular City because my mother was in trouble she was on the rod and from my father it's bit of detail I'm going to detail but I was born at home right into my grandmother's hands and I had a very special relation with her really lovely sort of sinks it singled me out because I was born in her home I was born in her hands and just provide a tremendous amount of love and care and attention in my early years and throughout my youth and even into early adulthood and so looking back I was like wow there's just so many things where I came to seek begin to seek God at age 15 came to really understand the Word of God in my early 20s but I can look back and see while caucus with

me even before that and I'm sure you have the same experience and that's why we need to be careful when judging others that are not in the church just because they're not in a church is because they don't have the Holy Spirit doesn't mean God is not working with them patiently taking them through their circumstances and their experiences that when they are finally called and their eyes are open and their heart is converted they too will look back and say wow I see how I was protected I see many moments in my life where I should that should have been the end but God was there now I see it so let's be careful and it's all still be grateful let's look back grateful eyes and seeing how much God has been with us so that we can have this established relationship with him and he has been his trust from my youth he says by you have I been held up from the womb you are he that took me out of my mother's bowels and again that's how I feel in terms of my grandmother's intervention being right there but this this is the psalmist and I think it's David saying oh you would like there my praise shall be continually of you and why wouldn't it be as he looks back his whole life has been blessed by God and so you just say you know what I'm all-in all I can do is praise this God he is so wondrous and and meticulous and and and and and caring all continually raising us as the psalmist I am as a wonder unto many but you are my strong refuge so he's going through something which is highly embarrassing and highly humiliating and and he's a wonder or proverb to people who look at him Joel went through something very very similar as a righteous man who had to suffer in order

to come to a fuller righteousness but he  
was a longer but God was his strong  
refuge he says but job answered and said  
joke 21 verse 1 here diligently my  
speech and let this be your consolation  
allow me that I may speak and after I  
have spoken make from walking would he  
say let me speak and after I'm speaking  
you could continue mocking me as for me  
is my complaint to man and if it were so  
why shouldn't my spirit be troubled  
verse five and be astonished and lay  
your hand upon your mouth when you look  
at Joe you're like he's in astonishment  
he's a wonder this is what the psalmist  
is saying I'm a wonder to me but you're  
my refuge goes on the songs goes on in  
verse a let my mouth be filled with your  
praise and with honor all the day this  
is amazing whatever he's going through  
his request now is allow me to praise  
you all the time there's a way the  
psalmist writes in this time of trouble  
and clearly is in trouble and clearly he  
means God to act but there's an  
understanding that he carries in his  
truck where his focus truly is upon God  
and this is where we need to get to as  
followers of Christ but we can't have  
this you know hangdog woe is me  
everything's always going wrong for me  
nobody likes me and it's just so hard  
and the world is so bad and of course  
I'm so good kind of footnote but we  
can't be like this it's like we're in  
trouble but all we want to do is praise  
God we're in trouble but we can look  
back and just see how God has always  
been there for us and so we have or in  
trouble but we have confidence he'll  
deliver us you'll be there for us  
because he is faithful and so as we're  
an astonishment and a wandering people  
are looking at us we're able to turn

their attention back to God he says let my mouth be filled with your praise allowed my mouth to be filled with your praise and with your honor he's not but not about his own honor but your honor all the day cast me not off in the time old age so again this is where we can see very very clearly this is a man who has come into the last chapter of his life so to speak forsake me not when my strength fails and I think we need to be able to see this that you know I was young once and those days are well behind me and then my senior days are ahead of me and I think we have many many brethren in the church that are senior and their strength fails they don't have the vitality that they had as youth they can't move as quickly as they did

as youth but that doesn't mean they don't have wisdom in fact they have life experience they've seen patterns and cycles over time and there's a personal wisdom that they've gained that we would do well to allow them to speak listen to them honor them even though their strength fails and so very clearly we see that this song was written by someone well advanced in years but you read the song and you realize they've got a lot that they could contribute to their congregation to their community because of this deep faith I think that it's like wine you know it's just it's developed over time that the taste and the texture and the different nuances they take time and this person has been with God over time and there's some that's in the character and in the faith that it's not instant and it can never be instant it takes time and that's what this person has to offer he says and and and so this forsake me not when my



strength fails cast me not off in a time  
of old age puts me to mind of the  
Covenant and what does the Covenant say  
let's read it let's read it carefully  
together here we'll go we'll break into  
twenty-eight which talks about some of  
the curses upon Israel if they are not  
faithful to the Covenant this is the  
community as a whole he says because you  
served not the Lord your God with  
joyfulness  
and with gladness of heart for the  
abundance of all things and think of the  
Christian nations today a good claim  
that Christ is their God who have  
developed in a significant degree of  
abundance compared to other nations  
because of the fundamental  
judeo-christian ethics of their society  
and the work ethic but yet in all of  
this abundance we have not served God  
with joyfulness and with gladness of  
heart  
so what Israel therefore shall you serve  
your enemies think Habakkuk or God what  
God did with them and then will do with  
the Chaldeans  
therefore shall you serve your enemies  
which the Lord your God shall send  
against you God is going to do this God  
is going to send your enemies against you  
it and you're going to serve your  
enemies in hunger and in thirst you were  
in abundance it didn't have to be this  
way you were in abundance but you didn't  
listen and so God sends prophets waking  
up early in the morning warning you  
writing the vision making a plan upon  
tablets you didn't listen so God sends  
this nation swiftly and you serve your  
enemies in hunger and in thirst and did  
nakedness and in want of all things you  
have abundance and now you're serving  
your enemies and Wonderwall think

they've come and they've taken  
everything away from you and he shall  
put a yoke of iron upon your neck until  
he has destroyed you  
the Lord shall bring a nation against  
you from far from the end of the earth  
as Swift as the eagle flies and nation  
whose tongue you shall not understand a  
nation of fierce countenance which shall  
not regard the person of the old so this  
is how even somebody who's faithful has  
walked with God for decades is in the  
final chapter of their life the this  
nation  
which God is rising up against Israel  
against the Israelite nations in the end  
time will not regard the person of the  
old nor show favor to the young so even  
the old shall be swept up in the dragnet  
even the old person despite their  
feebleness despite the fact that there  
stood there the vitality has left them  
they will also be caught up in this  
terrible terrible curse well not show  
favor whilst not sure we shall not  
regard the person of the old nor show  
favor to the young so that's the  
Covenant curse that awaits thee the  
Israelite nations and the nations of  
Judah that's what's coming  
and although terry's it looks like it's  
not going to happen tomorrow wait for it  
because it will not lie it will most  
certainly happen and then everybody gets  
swept up in this what the faithful  
despite the calamity will have the  
intimus the intimate relationship with  
God and the trust in God to wait upon  
the Lord and those who wait upon the  
Lord will never be disappointed  
he says for my enemies speak against me  
and they that late wait for my soul take  
counsel together saying God has forsaken

him persecute and take him for there is  
none to deliver him so there is this  
acknowledgment that God was with him and  
now there because of this judgment  
against Israel against Judah their  
conclusion is God has forsaken Israel  
God has forsaken Juara God will never do  
it why because of a covenant he has  
covenant it with Israel and Judah and so  
he will never forsake this field he'll  
never go back on his promise go back on  
his oath but to the Gentile to the  
wicked they believe this is this is the  
opportunity now that God has forsaken  
but what did we read when we studied on  
his eye what did the prophet eyes I have  
to say with regard to God forsaking his  
people let's read together saw  
as i62 God says it is for Zions sake  
that he will not hold his peace  
so something is happening on the earth  
and enzyme is at the center of it and  
God said okay for Zions sake will I not  
hold my peace and for Jerusalem's sake I  
will not rest until the righteousness  
thereof the righteousness of Jerusalem  
go forth as brightness and the salvation  
thereof as a lamp that burns and we had  
looked at Zechariah 14 last week to get  
a sense of what this is going to be like  
when the righteousness of Jerusalem goes  
out to the earth and the salvation  
thereof is like a light that burns and  
the Gentiles shall see your  
righteousness I have not forsaken my  
people so says God to the Gentiles it  
looks like he has but his people are  
being punished there be Habakkuk says  
okay I realize you're doing this for  
correction to correct your people Moses  
lays down the original prophecy in  
Deuteronomy 30 and says you're gonna be  
corrected and when you repent then you  
repent wholeheartedly and deeply and

profoundly then God is going to rescue  
you from the four corners of the earth  
and bring you back to Jerusalem and your  
righteousness will be established in the  
promised land

so the Gentiles shall see your  
righteousness and all kings your glory  
and you shall be called by a new name  
which the mouth of the Lord shall name  
you shall also be a crown of glory in  
the hand of the Lord you the people that  
have been so rebellious the people that  
don't know their own God that even the  
ox is smarter than them because the ox  
notices on them Israel has no idea but  
this same Israel Isaiah writes they will  
come to repentance and they will be a  
crown of glory in the hand of the Lord  
this is his covenant promise and a royal  
diadem in the hand of

god he's not forsaken you shall no more  
be termed forsaken so something happened  
that everybody thought they were  
forsaken gods are looking I can't hold  
my peace any longer and now you will no  
longer be turned forsaken neither shall  
your land anymore be turned desolate but  
you shall be called Hepzibah and your  
land

Beulah for the Lord delights in you and  
your land shall be married back to Psalm  
71 o God be not far from me verse 12 oh  
my god make haste to help for my  
help so again we see these imperatives  
don't be far from me make haste for my  
help let them be confounded and consumed  
that are adversaries and here you can  
see the theme that was introduced in  
Psalm 17 coming out here in Psalm 71 but  
in some 71 there's more emphasis on the  
faithfulness of God the character of God  
but here let them be confounded and  
destroyed that are that are adversaries  
to my soul let them be covered with

reproach and dishonor that seek my hurt  
but I will hope continually this is  
the key to the faithful follower of  
Christ the faithful follower Jehovah no  
matter what happens we will hope  
continually why because of his word  
because he spoke certain words and he  
will never go back on his word so we  
will hope in his word continually and  
will praise you more and more even even  
though we're in the pit even though  
there's calamity everywhere we will  
praise this God more and more because he  
told us this is what's going to happen  
so where the actual calamity is actual  
proof of his faithfulness when  
everyone's saying you're forsaken we're  
able to look and say no no the people  
are not forsaken this God is faithful  
he's doing what he said he would do my  
mouth shall show forth your  
righteousness and your salvation  
all the day and we know that  
there's going to be certain people on  
the earth that are proclaiming the good  
news to all nations and showing forth  
the righteousness of God and His  
salvation the good news all today for I  
know not the numbers they're wrong I  
don't know how much time I have left  
but whatever time I have left I'm  
praising them and I'm declaring the good  
news of your salvation I will go in the  
strength of the Lord God I will make  
mention of your righteousness even of  
yours only it's not talking about his  
own righteousness not mine my whole  
greatest people are it's just the  
righteousness of God and the  
faithfulness the covenant faithfulness  
of you over Oh God  
you have taught me from my youth again  
we see this is somebody who's elderly  
now looking back and seeing like all my

life I've been taught and every day my  
my understanding has deepened and I look  
at where I started I look at where I am  
now and I see that I'm continually being  
fed and so we can have this this strong  
confidence in the God that we serve and  
this strong as I say anticipation oh not  
only continually to grow on the Lord but  
of his ultimate return and the ultimate  
reunion with God face to face we can  
have hope in u.s.

Oh God you have taught me from my youth  
and since then I have declared your  
wondrous works and that's so we just  
constantly praise them now also when I  
am old and grey-headed so again  
time time has gone by and it's going to  
by for all of us doesn't matter who we  
are all of us are aging and so it's  
something we don't see when we look at  
ourselves on the inside we see our  
youthfulness we feel young but people  
are looking at us from the outside and  
they see an old man they see an old  
woman they see someone who's their best  
days are behind them so  
think but we're saying you know although  
everyone's looking at us as weak and  
lacking vitality we're asking God not to  
forsake us until I have showed your  
strength unto this generation so it's  
not about my strength it's about what  
you've done  
for and with me and let me show it to  
this new generation because they don't  
know see the new generation we don't  
know what the older generation knows  
well it's like what again it's like  
whines this is something that just takes  
time to be cultivated it takes time to  
develop that there's something that  
comes with time living with God  
we're lading to God serving God praising  
God being saved by God

over time it's different then someone who's come in recently and they're studying the scriptures and they understand kind of academically doctrinally they understand all of this but it's not experientially and even if it is experientially it's not experientially over decades that's the difference and the person who has done this has the ability to teach the next generation now also when I'm old and gray headed Oh God forsake me not until I've shown your strength unto this generation and your power to everyone that is to come and certainly by penning this Psalm the psalmist is doing that there now here we are thousands of years later and we're coming to understand the faithfulness the strength the the power of Yehovah from this man's works verse nineteen your righteousness also God is very high so again this is something that comes over time to understand the righteousness of God and then how it's not really in any way tied to our righteousness it's tied to his word and the fact that he has spoken certain words and it is bright that he fulfills his promises regardless of the terrible state of his people your righteousness also a god is very high who has done great things Oh God who is like unto you and listening to what the prophet Isaiah says Jeremiah says something similar for as the heavens are higher than the earth so are my ways higher than your ways it's a different level altogether that the psalmist never talks of his own ways he talks of God's ways because he's been with God for decades and there's something he understands that the new convert who might talk more about themselves and things they've done

righteousness they don't really understand God it realizes well this is not about me oh this is the faithfulness of God takes time but here as I said as I just come to the same realization of how high the righteousness of God is for as the heavens are higher than the earth this is how my ways are higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts God is on a different plane altogether and we have to come to understand that planets that are trying to make God in our image we need to be in His image his likeness verse twenty song 71 you which have shown me great and sore troubles and again think of job and what he went through God allows this to happen to us because he's looking for something there's something over time that develops in us as we go through and come out of these great and sword troubles and then again the gradients or troubles may come upon us because they come upon our nation because the nation is in rebellion against God and so God raises up a Gentile nation to bring the nation the whole community to repentance and we're in the midst of all of this we are shown great and sore troubles but you will bring me to life again you will quicken me again you shall bring me up again for the depths of the earth listen to the confidence this comes from age this comes from experience this comes from repeated interactions with God where you hope in him he comes through you hope in him and he comes through and then it's like you know I understand God's faithfulness and this psalmist certainly does you will bring me up again from the depths of the earth you shall increase my greatness and comfort me on every side you will do this I know you will and again this is



one one are you gonna wave a song who  
speaks it sounds like David to me and  
David understanding of the king what his  
role in Israel would be I will also  
praise you with the psaltery even your  
truth oh my god so this person is so  
full of praise and again so again this  
person is musical that they're going to  
praise God in songs and the truth will  
be musically expressed so that others  
can learn it and sing it and repeat it  
and remember it even your truth oh my  
god unto you well I sing with the heart  
oh you Holy One of Israel God is the  
Holy One of Israel that's who he is and  
the person who's writing this  
understands what that means and so let's  
look at profit eyes I just a couple of  
verses from Isaiah and there's so many  
where he uses that thing that size that  
his favorite term for God the Holy One  
of Israel let's just look at a couple of  
verses and they shall come to pass I had  
10 verse 20 in that day that the remnant  
of Israel so we're looking forward now  
to the ultimate fulfillment of these  
prophecies the remnant of Israel and  
such as our escaped of the house of  
Jacob because God has raised up the  
Gentile nations to punish and practice  
people and now there's a remnant left  
that has been driven to repentance  
so the remnant of Israel and such as  
their escaped of the house of Jacob  
shall no more again stay upon him that  
smote him so they've been taken captive  
but that's gonna end but shall stay upon  
the Lord Jehovah and who is who is the  
Lord the Holy One of Israel in truth so  
this is what Moses said had to happen  
and will happen and ultimately will  
happen and so the Yehovah  
it's the Holy One of Israel there's a  
covenant with Israel Israel did not live

up to the covenant God Himself came to earth as the Holy One of Israel as the representative of Israel to live up to the covenant terms and conditions so that all those terms and conditions the positive can be enacted in Christ as long as the people of Jacob accept Christ as their personal Savior then all the terms and conditions that the blessings apply through Christ if they don't all of the curses apply according to the covenant with Israel so he's the Holy One of Israel and so he said this in 4114 of Isaiah don't be afraid you worm Jacob you you helpless Jacob and you men of Israel I will help you on the Lord will help you says the Lord and your Redeemer who is your Redeemer the Holy One of Israel so this is who God is this we have to understand God's plan for mankind and the central role is real plays in that plan and why he had to come to earth as an Israelite to enable and enact the positive terms and conditions of the Israelite covenant and now we can have this new covenant which is really the truth on you renewed covenant it's the same terms and conditions just renewed and the spirit poured out upon Israel and those grafted into Israel so we can now live out this this relationship that God had planned from the beginning just wrapping up the song then verse 23 my lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto you and again we understand the prophecies from Isaiah from Jeremiah from the prophets that Israel and the people of Judah will sing mightily to the God of Israel and in fact they'll leave the whole world all of all the Gentile nations won't join in singing praises to God and so yeah you know we take that at the macro level we bring it down to the micro level and

this psalmist understands my lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto you and my soul which you have redeemed my Redeemer the Redeemer of Israel yes he's going to redeem the covenant community but in so doing he's going to have a personal relationship relationship with each Jew he's going to have a personal relationship with each Israelite he's going to have a personal relationship with each of the firstfruits so yes we see what's happening on a macro level but through this lens of the songs we see what's happening on the microgram and what's happening on the individual personal relationship level with God through the time of these crises and the time of redemption my tongue also shall talk of your righteousness all the day long for they are confounded these powerful people that swooped in and reach out and look so glorious and mighty now they are confounded they are confused and they for they are brought unto shame that seek my hurt and that is how the psalm ends in this conquest this victory this position of strength and that should take us right back to where we should always start a Torah and this promise in Deuteronomy and we'll just pick up verse 7 but you know Deuteronomy 30 that when Israel has violated the covenant and all the curses have come upon them and they are scattered throughout the land and they are enslaved and suffering throughout the land and they come to their senses so clearly someone is preaching the gospel message to them throughout all the lands that they've been taken captive it and they come to their sentence sentences and they come to true repentance that God then says he will

gather his people over the four corner  
of the earth the remnant that's left  
that's repentant and he will bring them  
back to the promised land and he'll  
establish them there they will be a  
glory to him for the rest of the world  
to see this covenant relationship and  
how it works and how to have a  
relationship with God and then he's then  
Moses to just reinforce how the psalmist  
is so confident that all of these curses  
have gone back on the enemy in  
Deuteronomy 30 verse 7 and the Lord your  
God will put all these curses upon your  
enemies and on them that hate you which  
persecuted you we need to understand the  
scriptures through the lens of the Torah  
because it's all consistent and all the  
prophets and the writings and the Manute  
it's all aligned and it's all consistent  
God has a plan we need to be very clear  
what God is doing on the earth and his  
faithfulness to Israel because Jesus  
Christ is the Holy One of Israel these  
are gone he's our Savior he's our  
Redeemer