

19-Psalms-54-Transcript

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well greetings brethren and welcome to another wednesday night bible study where together we study the scriptures line upon line and we are returning to the book of psalms we are now in book five of the book of psalms the last book of the five books in the structure of psalms and we're going to be covering god willing psalm 107 i hope you were with us last week and you got to hear our sister lisa's testimonial if you did please type in the chat uh what you thought of that testimonial i thought it was very powerful and uh just very grateful to both our sister lisa and our brother pastor murray for just being so transparent and walking us through uh how they went through this trial how they came through this trial it's not it's not entirely over so we do need to keep them in our prayers but i was just so inspired i in fact i watched it again and and found it just as inspiring watching it the second time so if you missed that i would encourage you to go into the archives and just hear this heartfelt very personal uh testimony from both our brother maria and our sister lisa and even if you did catch it i think it's worthwhile to see it again and as i said if you uh did see it would be very interested to know what you thought of that uh testimony i think what it really drives home and why it's just a great way for us to start return to the

book of psalms is as we're studying the prophets
we get to understand god
as as this big picture god and what he's doing at a macro level and and how his will will not be frustrated and what the psalms do
is they take this big picture and they bring it down
to the individual sometimes to the group to the nation
but many times down to the individual level and i think that's what our sister and our brother's testimony did last week is just really help us feel and understand and understand that our god
is a personal god
he's not just this mighty power that makes things happen
he's personally interested in you
and he's personally interested in me in our situation
and so we can always go to him as our loving father and christ as our elder brother as in a personal relationship with him so let's open with the word of prayer
and then we can get into psalm 107 that the the scripture that we'll study this evening
most loving heavenly father we come before you we're so grateful
that we can call you father that we have a personal relationship with you in that as mighty
as majestic
as holy as you are
you take a personal interest in each and every one of us individually and we just thank you so much for this father and
thank you for our sister lisa and our

brother murray just being so transparent
and and open with us to share with us
their experience in going through a very
severe trial
life-threatening
and and how they came through it through
their faith in you and in christ
we thank you for that father we know
they're not completely
out of the woods but we certainly thank
you for your miraculous intervention
which everyone
must see and acknowledge
and we pray god that you'll continue to
be with our sister lisa she
fights like a spiritual warrior
uh to fully recover and so we do pray
god that you will grant her
full recovery
father many of our brethren are
suffering
suffering with health trials
suffering with financial and employment
trials suffering with relationship
trials
father we bring all of this to you
our personal father
and we ask you father to please have
mercy upon us give us the faith and the
strength to understand
that you will not leave or forsake us
and that whatever we're going through
ultimately
it will work for our good
so we just thank you god we thank you
for your commitment
and pray through the holy spirit that
you will inspire our commitment
and that together we will do your will
we praise you lord and we pray now as we
always do that you will bless our study
bless our understanding and deepen our
faith and our commitment and our love
for you and one another we praise you we

thank you and we pray in the most holy
name of jesus christ our lord and our
savior amen amen so brethren we're up to
psalm 107.

let me go ahead and share my screen
and this is a very interesting psalm
it begins with
oh give thanks unto the lord and you can
hear

the emotion
oh give thanks unto the lord this is
someone who has understanding
of how great jehovah is
and he's pleading with us to be grateful
it's interesting we're now in the season
of the us thanksgiving and this is about
thanksgiving so for our american
brethren happy thanksgiving and uh
inspire one another and your family to
remember the lord

and to give thanks unto the lord but all
of us all the time
should have this response when we listen
to the testimony that our sister and
brother shared last week

how can we
not give thanks unto the lord unto
jehovah and now he gives the reason why
and he's just so moved oh give thanks
well why

for he is good
he's good
this

mighty this almighty god that we serve
he's good

and then he reinforces this goodness by
saying

for his mercy
endures forever his mercy is forever and
this word that's translating mercy is
cassette

we know it
it's sort of uh as we've been going
through the prophets

as covenant love
his covenant love
is forever
that this is the one thing as we go
through the psalms and the prophets that
we have to come we have to step away and
just say
wow
the character of this god
is unique
there is nobody
that has this character this is totally
100
uh unique
to jehovah
that
he
engages
in covenant
and engages in covenant with covenant
love
so
we the best we have the best
understanding we have
of a covenant
is marriage
am covenanted to my wife she is
covenanted to me we are in a covenant
the marriage covenant it's not a
contract
it's a covenant
and so we covenanted with each other
until death
do us part
until death
and so that commitment and then our
children grow up within the protection
of this covenant commitment
this is the best
we have
in our earthly lives to understand
cassette
this cassette of god
that he is covenanted

with israel
his covenant and now the psalmist is
telling us this covenant it's forever
therefore israel is forever in fact in
luke when we're studying luke in the
very first chapter he's going to reign
over jacob forever
when we go into revelation
we see he's going to reign over jacob
forever he's going to exalt jacob
forever as we've been going through
isaiah we see this commitment forever so
the psalm begins
with a plea to us an
exhortation
to be grateful
because he's good
we're not good we're evil
and despite our evil his covenant
commitment is forever
that's how the psalm opens
the psalm concludes in verse 43
saying
whoso is wise
and will observe these things what thing
so he's going to show us some conditions
he's going to take us through different
conditions that people fall into
and when they fall into this distress
we're going to see the cassette the
covenant commitment
be activated
that if god wasn't good
if his covenant commitment wasn't
forever
then there would be no hope
but because of his cassette that as we
go through these different conditions in
psalm 107
we're going to see you know people are
scattered they're they're bound they're
sick they're they're they're um lost at
sea
and as they're going through these

different conditions where all hope
seems to be lost
and these conditions really they've
brought it upon themselves
but because of the covenant
god acts and intervenes and so as we go
through these examples he concludes then
with
if you're wise
you're going to take note of these
things he's pointing these things out to
you to say take note
and then the wise will understand
the cassette the same word
of the lord
this is you know just even here when it
says the wise
will observe these things and will
understand it has an echo of the prophet
daniel
when he says go your way daniel but the
the wise will understand the wicked will
do wickedly but the wise will understand
and so it's
this under the study of the psalms
is really about bringing to life
the the said the covenant love of god
that when he makes a covenant he never
goes back on it so as everything all
hell breaks loose on earth
and all hope seems to be lost
the wise are going to observe these
things
and understand the cassette
of yehovah
verse 2
let the redeemed of the lord say so
let them let them say that he's good and
that his has said his covenant love is
forever
let the redeemed of the lord say so whom
he has redeemed from the hand of the
enemy okay so this is the first category
that we're going to look at

where the enemy has taken people captive
because they've been scattered
out of the land because of their own
covenant breaking
and yet because of god's covenant
keeping they are going to be redeemed
in jeremiah the prophet jeremiah says
again speaking of this covenant love
through jeremiah god says and i will
deliver you speaking to judah
out of the hand of the wicked the enemy
and i will redeem you out of the hand of
the terrible now the reason they're in
the hand of the wicked the reason
they're in the hand of the terrible is
because of their own sinfulness because
of their own covenant breaking and yet
this god who is good
whose kased is forever he says
i'm going to redeem you out of the hand
of the wicked i'm going to redeem you
out of the hand of the terrible isaiah
he says and we studied this recently
that the remnant that is escaped of the
house of judah there is going to be a
remnant there's going to be intense
tribulation
on judah but there is going to be a
remnant that escapes because god is
faithful to his promise so this remnant
that's escaped of the house of judah
shall again take root downward and bear
fruit upward despite everything that
satan does to destroy and eliminate them
nope they're going to take root and bear
fruit
for out of jerusalem this is what god
has declared
despite the wickedness of jerusalem out
of jerusalem shall go forth a remnant
this is what's going to happen why
because of the cassette
because of the covenant love
out of jerusalem shall go forth a

remnant and they that escape out of the
mount out of mount zion
now
it is the zeal of jehovah of hosts
that shall do this
yahuwah
he's going it's his zeal this this is
the love
he's good
and this is the covenant love that
despite the wickedness of judah and
we've read about that in detail through
the prophet isaiah
despite that
because of his covenant love
with zeal he's going to redeem them
back to psalm 103.
so these redeemed he has gathered them
out of the lands with the lands that he
scattered them to this is the covenant
moses laid this down
if you break the covenant you'll be
scattered this is the deuteronomic curse
but yet
because of his covenant love he's
gathered them out of the lands from the
east
and from the west and from the north and
from the south
they wandered in the wilderness
in a solitary way they were lost
they were just scattered and isaiah told
them this
we ended that with hezekiah the curse
that hey you're going to be babylon's
going to come in and scatter you
and so now we see they're scattered in
the wilderness in a solitary way they
found no city to dwell in hungry and
thirsty their soul fainted in them
then
they cried unto the lord and this is
exactly what mooses said that when you're
scattered and you're in these foreign

lands and you're serving these gods
with language that you don't understand
and you're held captive when you cry
unto the lord wholeheartedly then he
will turn to you
then they cried unto yehovah in their
trouble
and what did he do
he delivered them out of their
distresses this this is because this is
the covenant love in action this is what
the psalmist wants us to understand
this covenant commitment that god has
yes there's punishment but the
punishment is not for elimination and
destruction the punishment is for
restoration
and so now he delivers them out of their
distresses what does jeremiah the
prophet say he says then shall you call
upon me speaking to judah and you shall
go and pray unto me and i will i will
hearken unto you
in 29 13 he says and you shall seek me
and find me
when you shall search for me with all
your heart this is exactly
almost word for word
what moses laid down when before they
even went into the promised land he says
you know you're going to receive these
blessings but then you're going to
receive all the curses
and the curses are not to eliminate you
the curses are to drive you to your
knees so that you will turn to god
wholeheartedly and so now i jeremiah is
just saying the same thing
when you seek me this is deuteronomy 30
verses 1 to seven
you shall seek me and find me when you
shall search for me with all your heart
and i will be found of you says the lord
and i will turn away your captivity this

is deuteronomy 30. this is jeremiah
isn't saying anything new in fact none
of the prophets
are saying something new this is how
we know uh muhammad is a false prophet
what what he brings to the table is
totally foreign
to the torah in fact when his followers
began to when abu bakr began to read the
torah he was fresh he was furious
that omar had to say to abu bakr don't
you see how angry you're making the
prophet
by by reading the torah and so once abu
bakr realized he was angry he threw the
torah away
so
that's not a true prophet
a true prophet
is subject to the prophets as uh paul
says in first corinthians i believe it's
14
the prophets are subject to the prophets
and and the foundational prophet
is mooses
and he lays down the prophecies in the
torah and now here we have a true
prophet of god coming along
and amplifying
and and giving in high definition detail
the very same prophecy of mooses
that he says i will be found of you when
you turn to me with all your heart this
is deuteronomy 30. i will be found of
you says the lord and i will turn away
i'll end your slavery your captivity and
i will gather you from all the nations
this is god's plan
and from all the places where i have
driven you
says the lord
and i will bring you again into the
place where i caused you to be carried
away captive so we saw this

in sort of a an initial
um
or like a forerunner a foretaste
when
through the prophet isaiah's prophecies
the
um gentile king
cyrus was raised up
and persia conquered babylon
and then gave permission for the jews
wherever they had been taken to go back
to go back to their land
this is just a foretaste
of what's coming
because when christ returns he's going
to send his angels to the four corners
of the earth and they're going to gather
not just judah but they're going to
gather israel as well and going to and
they're going to establish them in the
land and so this is the prophecy this is
the cassette this is the covenant
commitment that god has
and i will bring you again
into the place where i caused you to be
carried away captive so god is just it's
this cassette he's good
because he's good he keeps his word
and because he keeps his word
the people had to be taken out of the
land
because they violated the land they
violated the covenant but because he's a
covenant keeping god that's not the end
of the story
he's going to drive them to their knees
and then because of his covenant
commitment he's going to bring them back
and that's what we're seeing now in
psalm 107.
so these redeemed verse 7 psalm 107 and
he led them forth by the right way
that they may go to a city of habitation
oh that men would praise the lord we

have a psalm oh that men would praise
the lord and that has to be sung with
the same feeling
that the psalmist is writing oh that men
would praise the lord for his goodness
and his wonderful works to the children
of men and this is again is within the
context
of the covenant so we need to observe
these works
we need to understand these words we
need to understand the mind and the
intent of god why why does he behave
like this
so what and so that we're not
discouraged
as we see things around us it's like no
we understand
we can put we can we can um overlay
the news we can look at the news and
while everyone's freaking out and
panicking we can look at the news and
overlay it
with the biblical narrative
with the prophetic narrative
and we can understand and overlay it
with the covenant commitment of god
so you cannot understand what's going on
in the world today unless you understand
the covenant
and what god is doing
so we can now praise the lord why for
his goodness
what what makes him good
that his word is good
his word is good
whatever he says that's it's good
this is the god we serve
he never lies he never breaks his
promise he never goes back on an oath
he's good
and because he's good he performs these
wonderful works
for he satisfies

the longing soul so now we're going to a different category so first we were looking at the redeemed those who were scattered because of their own wrongdoing and they were scattered because of god's covenant commitment but then they were brought back because of god's covenant commitment now we're going to category two for he satisfies the longing soul and fills the hungry soul with goodness now who are these such as sit in darkness and in the shadow of death being bound in affliction and iron so now these are people who have been taken captive they are prisoners and they're sitting in darkness in the shadow of death bound in affliction and iron here this darkness that they're going to be relieved of isaiah says in isaiah 9 verse 2 the people that walked in darkness have seen a great light they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death upon them the light has shined it's all consistent isaiah is prophesying of the covenant love of god very people that have sat in darkness god is going to relieve them and bring them great light in in chapter 63 of isaiah verse 10 but they rebelled and vexed his holy spirit they did this therefore he was turned to be their enemy and micah says lately my people have risen up against me as an enemy so he turned to be their enemy and he fought against them so this darkness this prison that they find themselves in

what the prophets are showing us
is they brought it upon themselves they
became the enemy of god so god raised up
the gentiles to fight against them and
put them to hard labor
because of the covenant curses they
activated those curses but then because
of his covenant love he
performs this his his love and takes
them out of this darkness in psalm 107
verse 11 he explains it here
why why are they in darkness why why are
they imprisoned in iron shackles
because they rebelled against the words
of god they had the words of god they
had the covenant everything that the
lord has said we will do and then they
rebelled against it
and they condemned the council the plans
of the most high they condemned it god
is saying this is what i'm going to do
for you this is what i want to i want to
establish you and they said no we don't
want that we want to be like the
gentiles
so they rebelled against
god and the words of god and so the
psalmist is telling us this is why
they're suffering
they brought it upon themselves
therefore
he brought down their heart with labor
we could say with hard labor he brought
down their heart everything was going so
well and then they were brought into
captivity with labor they fell down and
there was none to help no one could help
them that's when finally they thought
you know it might be an idea for us to
call on god now
so then they cried unto the lord in
their trouble
and he saved them out of their
distresses

this is the goodness of god this what
this is demonstrating over and over
again
is his commitment to his covenant
he brought them out of darkness
and the shadow of death
and broke their bands asunder this is
god and now we can see this prophecy in
jeremiah
ephraim is code for israel all israel
or the northern tribes and here he says
i have surely heard ephraim
bemoaning himself thus you have
chastised me
and i was chastised
as a bullock unaccustomed to the yoke
turn you to me
and i shall be turned
for you are the lord my god so ephraim
is coming to his senses finally he
acknowledges i was arrogant i was unruly
i was rebellious
but now i acknowledge you as my god
surely after that i was turned i
repented and after that i was instructed
i smote upon my thigh i was ashamed yes
even confused because i did bear the
reproach of my youth and then god
answers
is ephraim my dear son
is he a pleasant child
for since i spoke against him i do
earnestly remember him still so that
remember is covenant remembrance
it's covenant remembrance
therefore my bowels are troubled for him
my deepest emotions
i will surely have mercy upon him says
the lord and again the false prophets
are going to tell us that that ephraim
is forsaken
that judah is forsaken that god has
moved on and he's left them behind
there's a replacement theology

this is all false
you there's no such thing as replacement
theology when we're talking about
covenant love
with covenant love there's no
replacement you don't choose one and
then replace that with another that's
not to said
covenant love is uncommitted to you
period and so god is committed to
ephraim god is committed to judah and so
despite all of the tribulation he will
surely have mercy upon him says the lord
and so with this understanding the
psalmist says again oh that man
would praise jehovah
for his goodness
and for his wonderful works
to the children of men those things are
related
because of his word his covenant
commitment
and his commitment to his word and his
covenant
that's why he's good
there there's no being in the universe
that has this level of character
it's it's just it's awesome
it's it's overwhelmingly awesome
this is who we serve that if we have his
word we're good it's like no you know
what you don't understand
the god of the universe said this
therefore we walk by faith
and not by sight
oh that men would praise the lord
and then there's only there's yoho
that's who we're praising
because of his goodness
and out of that goodness comes these
wonderful works that are just like this
doesn't make any sense
it is just overwhelmingly good nobody
would do this

well the ultimate work
being
christ's sacrifice
in order to redeem
his people
for he has broken the gates of the brass
and cut the bars of iron asunder and
this is when christ began his ministry
he quoted isaiah 61 verse
the spirit of the lord god is upon me
because the lord has anointed me to
preach the gospel unto the meek
he has sent me to bind up the
brokenhearted to proclaim liberty to the
captives and the opening of the prison
to them that are bound this is exactly
what we're seeing in psalm 107
because this is the character
the covenant character
of this god
verse 17.
psalm 107 verse 17
fools
because of their transgression
and because of their iniquity are
afflicted so now we have a third
category
these are people now who fall sick
because of their own transgression they
did something it's like you know
people who are sexually immoral
and then they come down with hiv
they brought this upon themselves
so this is now fools
because of their transgression
and because of their inequities are
afflicted
their soul
abhors all manner of meat
and they draw near unto the gates of
death so when you're really really sick
somebody put a beautiful meal in front
of you and it's just like oh
it's just like i just you almost want to

throw up when you're looking at this
beautiful meal when you're healthy your
mouth waters oh wow this is a wonderful
meal
but here it doesn't matter what you put
in front of a person who's really ill
they're going to abhor
this this food
as they draw near to the gates of death
now job is a great exact example of this
it's a great example his own foolishness
brought the sickness upon him
and he says he is chastened also with
pain despite how righteous this man was
there was a flaw
he is chastened also with pain upon his
bed and the multitude of his bones with
strong pain
so that his life abhors bread
and his soul dainty meat
his flesh is consumed away that it
cannot be seen
and his bones that were not seen stick
out that's how you know when you see the
thing of the holocaust
yeah his soul draws near unto the grave
and his life to the destroyer so job was
so sick he abhorred food
and this is this is
this is the state
that these people
brought themselves to well they brought
it upon themselves and this is how sick
they are and then the psalmist says
then they cry unto the lord in their
trouble
and he actually saves them out of their
they brought it upon themselves
they cry to the lord in their trouble
and he saves them out of their
distresses
has that ever happened to you it's
certainly happened to me i've brought
problems upon myself and cried out to

god and he's intervened
this is the god we serve he's a personal
god
and this is what's happening here here
it's a case of a
sickness unto death
and they're crying out to god we just
read hezekiah
hezekiah was sick unto death
and he cried out to god in his trouble
and god saved him out of his distress
he sent his word
and he'll this is how he healed them he
sent his word and healed them
and delivered them from their
destructions this brought to mind
matthew 8
verse 8 the centurion answered and said
lord i'm not worthy that you should come
under my roof but speak the word only
and my servant shall be healed so as the
psalmist understands this the centurion
came to understand this that god can
heal just by sending his word
this is the power of christ
oh that man again the refrain you can
hear the the whole congregation with
when they come to understand this they
would sing this with real feeling
oh that man
would praise jehovah
for his goodness this this is and his
wonderful works
to the children of men
that this is what the wise have to
understand this thing that we call
covenant love
we need to understand this
because his goodness springs from this
and these wonderful works
to the children of men
it springs from this covenant
despite
the evil

of the covenant people
and let them sacrifice the sacrifices of
thanksgiving
and this is perfect timing for you the
american brethren for thanksgiving and
let them sacrifice the sacrifices of
thanksgiving
and declare his works with rejoicing
like let's really rejoice over what he
does
let's rehearse together
these great works
and
at a macro level for the covenant
community but also in our personal lives
let's declare his works
uh sister lisa and pastor murray last
week were declaring his works with
rejoicing
and we all rejoice with them
now
we go to another category
they that go down to the sea in ships
that do business in great waters so this
is a lot of uh commerce has done over
the seas
and they i don't know if many of us have
gone um
been at sea
i have uh
my wife and i and our kids he was years
ago the kids were young
we we went on a cruise it was highly
recognized
before i was quite amazed
like it was like a whole city on the
water a fascinating engine but
part way through the cruise very bad
weather
and we were in the middle of the ocean
like in the motion like no you couldn't
see land there was no there was no land
anywhere in sight
and this bad weather came

and this whole big huge vessel starts
lurching and leaping and rocking and
throwing and it was it was quite scary a
lot of people were throwing up
but you're vulnerable you're in the
middle of the ocean
what are you going to do
so here these people are in the middle
of the sea to do business to do commerce
these see the works of the lord
and his wonders in the deep so they're
in the middle of the sea and they get to
see how god works
for he commands
and raises the stormy wind which lifts
up the waves thereof so we're in the
calm waters and all of a sudden
there's these winds and these waves and
they're just out of nowhere
he commands that
they mount up to the heaven
they go down again to the depths so you
can imagine this kind of rocky uh
seas
their soul is melted
because of trouble so here we see a
condition of complete vulnerability
they're they're out at sea there's not
they have no power
and it doesn't matter how strong they
are on land
when they're in the middle of the sea
they're totally vulnerable
they reel to and fro
and stagger like drunken men
and are at their wits end and no doubt
many of them are throwing up and they're
seasick
this is total vulnerability
then
they cry unto the lord in their trouble
and he brings them out of their
distresses
these are things we need to meditate on

they're in the middle of nowhere they're
in total trouble they're they're their
lives are at stake they're on the the
edge here
they're they could just drown and you
don't see them again
and yet they cry to the lord
and because he's a personal god
he hears their cries and he's a covenant
keeping god
and that covenant love
he acts out of that love
to bring them out of their distresses
he makes the storm a calm
so that the waves thereof are still so
all of a sudden there's just calm
it's just out of nowhere there's just
calm
now when we were studying luke and this
is in the archives if you missed it luke
8 we actually referenced this psalm but
now that we're in the psalm let's
reference luke 8 verse 23 that speaking
of the disciples as they sailed christ
fell asleep
and there came down a storm of wind on
the lake exactly what we're just reading
here
in psalm 107 and they were filled with
water and were in jeopardy so this
waters now the storm water's coming into
the boat uh and they're gonna sink
they're in jeopardy they're they're
they're completely uh shall i say
vulnerable
they have no
no power over the the elements
and they came to him
and woke him saying master master we
perish
we're going to die here
then he arose
christ
this man that was with them

he arose and rebuked the wind
and the raging of the water
and the the the wind and the water and
their raging it ceased
and there was a calm
and i can't i can't believe that some
people want to say christ is not god
when we put psalm 107 together with luke
8 it becomes very clear this is god
in human form
he became a man
and he said unto them
where is your faith
and and this is really quite a question
because there's another statement
or another question that when he returns
will he find faith on the earth and then
the question is posed in the greek in
such a way that the answer is no very
little
and so that's why we've got to rehearse
this covenant love
and understand his commitment to his
people
and be more like shadrach meshach and
abednego who are like we're not careful
to answer
you do your worst we trust this god
where is your faith
and they
being afraid wondered
saying one to another listen to the
question they have of each other
what kind of man is this
for he commands even the winds and water
and they obey him
well let's go to psalm 107 and we can
answer that question
this is god
the this is the the promised messiah
in the flesh and anybody who denies
that the messiah has come in the flesh
is antichrist
psalm 107 verse 30

then they are glad then are they glad
because they be quiet the wind and the
water are quiet so he brings them unto
their desired haven so they get to shore
they get to where they're going
oh that men
again this rephrase this this refrain
and you can just again hear the emotion
and the the emotional appeal
that if only men
would praise the lord
for his goodness understand his goodness
and from that spring his wonderful works
to the children of men
let them exalt him also in the
congregation of the people
and praise him in the assembly of the
elders
do that
praise him
he turns rivers into a wilderness
and the water springs into dry ground so
he can do this
you can have wonderful rivers
abundant
and he can turn it into desert and water
springs he can just dry them all up
this is who we serve
and he says
a fruitful land
into barrenness
for the wickedness of them that dwell
therein again we've got to understand
this
through covenant love
through his goodness that he never
deviates from his word
and so because of the covenant
and their violation of the covenant he
will do this
we're actually witnessing it right now
if you look at let's just look at
america
as as happy thanksgiving and as you

enjoy your thanksgiving and your
blessings happy thanksgiving
but let's look at america
just
a year ago
the economy was booming
everybody was employed you couldn't find
people
because everybody there were jobs
everywhere people were getting better
jobs and better pay
and oil prices were they were energy
independent
and the economy was coming back despite
all of this uh pandemic
and one year later
we're watching this this great country
collapse
collapse
latest news
we're dipping into the oil reserves what
yeah just so that we can try to
artificially play with the the price of
gas make it come down but that's not
going to make a difference but what it
is going to do
is put america in a terrible state of
vulnerability should you have to go to
war
and you have no oil reserves
it's over
it's over
look at all the crime in the streets
letting criminals run free and look at
this horrific
deliberate murder of
young children
children
grandmothers
knocked over deliberately murdered
this is what happens when you have to
say let's say let's set the bale at a
thousand dollars in fact let's get all
the criminals out on the street

this this is america is going down and
with it all of the western nations
and god is doing this again we have to
have this covenant understanding
god is doing this
he'll turn a fruitful land
into barrenness and people like how
could america possibly fall we're
watching it
and with it all of the western
civilization a fruitful land into
barrenness for the wickedness of them
that dwell therein
here let's listen to the prophet
jeremiah
and their nobles have sent their little
ones to the waters
they came to the
pits the wells
and they found no water
they returned with their vessels empty
this is where we're headed
these uh marxists are doing everything
to destroy western civilization
and we we turn on our turn flip the
switch the lights come on the heat comes
on the air conditioning comes on turn
the tap there's clean water
all of this is going away these people
mean to destroy us
and hopefully we've caught on
some of us may be a little slow to catch
on but hopefully it's pretty clear now
they came to the pits
hopefully it's clear
i was just thinking today how
you know say his name george floyd and
it's like wait a minute this guy was a
criminal
why why are you giving us heroes that
are you dragged from the bottom of the
barrel
and now it's say his name uh joseph
rosenbaum this guy anally raped five at

least five children
this is our hero
yeah this is all manipulation this this
would never happen you go back 20 years
ago
nobody would say hey i'm i'm all for
criminals
but this is all this post-modernist uh
marxist intervention manipulation where
our brains are being rewired
oh yeah he anally raped five children
but we we he he's our hero
what's happened to us
well we're going to be punished when we
call when we call evil good
and good evil
this does not escape god's attention
and so they go to the wells to get water
they found no water
they returned with their vessels empty
they were ashamed and confused and
covered their heads
this is prophetic
this is what happens
so here he says in psalm 107 35 he turns
the wilderness he can do it the other
way now
so he can turn
rivers into a desert
but he can turn a desert
into
water springs
this is the god we serve
he turns the desert into standing water
and dry ground into water springs
and there he makes the hungry to dwell
that they may prepare a city for
habitation again we just have to he
starts off this is all about kased
this is all about the covenant
commitment of god
and this is what he does within the
context of this goodness that he has
that he keeps his word

that they may prepare a city for to live
in
and sow the fields and plant vineyards
which may yield fruits of increase
he blesses them also so that they are
multiplied greatly
and suffers not their cattle to decrease
we just read this in isaiah 37 a couple
of weeks ago but he says this to to
judah and this shall be a sign unto you
you shall eat this year such as grows of
itself
and the second year that which springs
of the same so you're just going to get
by with what you've got right now but in
the third year you will sow
and reap and plant vineyards and eat the
fruit thereof so god is taking you out
of this distress and he's going to bless
you with abundance back to psalm 107 39
again
they are diminished or minist and
brought low through oppression
affliction and sorrow
he pours contempt
upon princes
and causes them to wander in the
wilderness
where there is no way so this is what it
doesn't matter how powerful people are
god can can bring them down and here in
isaiah 14 he says verse 24 the lord of
hosts has sworn saying surely as i have
thought
so shall it come to pass
and as i have purposed
so shall it stand this is the goodness
of god
that whatever he has said is going to
happen
it's going to happen so the way he's
thought about this this is how it's
going to happen the way he has purposed
the zeal of the lord is going to make

this happen
he says and think of the most powerful
this is the antichrist this is the most
back in the day the assyrians were the
most vicious
and they're a
projection
of this antichrist that's going to come
that they say who who can make war with
him
the conquering lion of the tribe of
judah is the answer he says i will break
the assyrian in my land
and upon my mountains tread him
underfoot
then shall his yoke depart from off them
and his burden depart from off their
shoulders so his people are under
oppression but god can break the
oppressor and in fact john says in
revelation that herein
is the patience of the saints
this understanding that hey if you take
people into captivity you will go into
captivity if you kill with the sword you
must be killed with the sword herein is
the patience and faith of the saints
this understanding of god's covenant
commitment
back to psalm 107 verse 41
yet
so he brings down the arrogant yet he
sets the poor on high from affliction
and makes him families like a flock
and mary understood this
when she received the
word from the angel gabriel she says
here in lu and again this is in the
archive in luke 151 he has shown
strength with his arm
he has scattered the proud in the
imagination of their hearts
he has put down the mighty from their
seats

and exalted
them of low degree
he has filled the hungry with good
things and the rich he has sent empty
away
he has helped his servant israel
in remembrance of his mercy
and this mercy we know now is
understanding his he remembers his
covenant his commitment his covenant
commitment

in verse

42

we see here he she she spoke
out with a loud voice
i didn't want that verse sorry let me
just go to isaiah 66 and verse 14.
and when you see this
your heart shall rejoice and your bones
shall flourish like a herb
and the hand of the lord shall be known
toward his servants
and his indignation
toward his enemies so we're going to
have a situation that's going to come to
pass here
that
those who are loyal and patient with god
and are his servants
they're going to know the lord's hand
he is going to redeem them he is going
to intervene because of his covenant
commitment
and
those that are the enemies of the
covenant they will get to know his
indignation so that's where we are we're
going to have the enemies of the
covenant flexing their muscle
and we're going to have the true
servants of god being patient and
getting through this with faith
and understanding of his covenant
commitment and then god is going to act

and his people are going to know his
hand his saving hand and his enemies are
going to know his indignation so we come
now to psalm

[Music]

107 and verse 43

and i just want to make sure
that i didn't skip a verse

so

seven and let me just get
verse 41.

so he sets the poor on high from
affliction and makes him families like a
flock the righteous shall see it
and rejoice i think i did i think that's
what i this is the verse i meant to get
to catch when i went to luke 1 42 and
luke psalm 107 42 the righteous shall
see it

and rejoice

and all iniquity shall stop her mouth
so this antichrist this beast power the
the masses that go and worship the beast
all of this iniquity that's that's that
will abound

it will be stopped

it'll stop its mouth the righteous are
going to see god's intervention they're
going to see his commitment to said his
covenant

and we we're going to rejoice

then he concludes

whoever is wise

will observe these things

then they shall understand

the cassette

of the lord

so

there is an understanding that comes
from studying these psalms and again he
goes through and he just shows us these
different conditions where we need to
understand wait a minute in a sense
these people they bring this trouble

upon themselves they're in a position
where nobody can help them
they cry out to god
and god doesn't forget the covenant
that he's bound he's in this he's in
this uh relationship that he's bound by
covenant
and because of that covenant
he acts
and so this is this is we've got to have
we've got to get this this this psalm is
written as a a wisdom psalm a teaching
psalm
excuse me so that we can truly
understand
the great commitment of this god
so this is the character of our lord and
our savior
jesus christ and we are heading into
some very dark times
we're heading into a very turbulent time
uh we need to encourage one another
there are a lot of brethren again it
just it really surprises me i didn't i
didn't expect
this much panic that i'm seeing this
much faithlessness that i'm seeing
i didn't expect it so there is a lot of
weakness
in the body
what we have to do
is is edify one another exhort one
another make sure we're not forsaking
the assembly and then in that assembly
the scripture says exhort one another
that in a sense put pressure on one
another
to to to uh perform even says provoke
one another
to love
agape and good works
so so we need the assembly
so that we're constantly encouraging
each other to do what is best

in this little time that we have it's
running out iniquity is abounding
everything is unraveling but we still
have this opportunity while it is still
called day to do the work of god and to
edify one another and strengthen one
another and get one another to meditate
on the loving kindness
and to understand
the loving-kindness
and the covenant commitment
of yeshua
our our messiah
this is who we look for
what what a wonderful character he has
his goodness
his goodness these wonderful works
spring
from this commitment that he has to his
word and his mercy
endures forever what a great god we
serve god bless you brethren god willing
we'll see you again next week and
hopefully you'll join us on sabbath god
bless
you