19-Psalms-65-Transcript

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well greetings brethren and welcome to another wednesday night bible study where we study the scriptures together 1:09
line upon line this evening god willing we're going to continue in psalm 119
1:16 and i'm hoping to cover four stanzas so remember there's eight verses per stanza so that'll be 32 verses so 1:23
hopefully that will take us up to verse 72 we'll get up to psalm 119 1:28
verse 72 this evening god willing and hopefully i'm coming through loudly and clearly open with word of 1:35
prayer i'll check the chat to make sure that i am coming through clearly and god willing will get into our study this 1:41
evening our heavenly father we are just so blessed 1:47
in this time of great darkness great mischief and evil and confusion 1:54
how blessed we are father to have you to have jesus christ our savior 2:01
to have your word and your tender mercies we are so so blessed and then to have 2:06
each other help us father to see our blessings to count our blessings 2:11
and to withstand the evil that surrounds us and engulfs us 2:17
we thank you so much god for the psalms thank you for the wisdom and the 2:23
the insights that they provide to us as we study them line by line and 2:29
it's a book that many don't study carefully we pray father that you will 2:34
bless us as we seek to study this book carefully we know christ quoted from it 2:41
just so often and therefore we know there's tremendous wisdom in it for us in these end times

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we thank you father again we thank you that we have each other we ask your blessing now in jesus most holy name 2:54 amen well let me just uh confirm 2:59that i am coming through yes thank you brother sean loud and clear 3:05 and we will get into the study for this evening let me go ahead and share my screen 3:14psalm 119 and we are working our way through the hebrew alphabet so we want to cover four 3:22 letters today we gotta we did five verses uh or five stanzas last time this time we hope to cover bob 3:29 zion four letters of the alphabet so for each 3:35 of these uh sections these stanzas every verse begins 3:40with the letter that it that uh introduces it so this is valve and interestingly 3:48is a word by itself it's a letter but it's also a word and it's a conjunction and it means and 3:54or so or also so every verse will begin with and or so 4:01or also as a conjunction in this interesting that's not the case because most 4:07 letters are just letters but this letter is actually a word so that's how each verse will begin psalm 114 uh 119 verse 41 bob 4:17 let thy mercies come also unto me or also 4:23let thy mercies come unto me o lord even thy salvation 4:28according to thy word and i've highlighted mercies because it's the word khased uh what we would say tender 4:34 mercies and it's plural so normally cassette is in the singular this time it's in the 4:40plural so he sees multiple mercies that he's asking 4:46from god or expressions of god's mercy in multiple ways even thy salvation singular 4:53according to thy word and that according to thy word put me in mind of first corinthians 15

5:00 where christ was buried and he rose again verse 4 the third day 5:05 according to god's word according to the scriptures so when we are seeking 5:11 god's salvation when we are seeking his mercies it must be according to his word 5:19 which means that we should be aware of what his word says sometimes we will 5:25 have brethren who are ignorant of the torah and then again psalm 119 is in 5:30praise of the torah and i've highlighted in yellow everywhere where god's word his torah his instructions 5:37 his commandments are are praised in the psalm so 5:42here he says he's seeking god's mercy and his salvation according to god's word this 5:49 is how we must learn to pray it's not according to what we want or how we want it and and we want we get caught up in 5:56 in this world's definition of salvation and justice we want it according to god's word which means we're 6:02 knowledgeable of god's word and we can pray knowledgeably so christ was buried 6:08 that means he was crucified and then it was three days 6:13 before he came back to life that's not the way his disciples wanted 6:18 it his disciples were ready to fight they were ready to protect him from being killed but he was determined to do 6:25 everything according to god's word and to experience god's salvation according to 6:31 the scriptures so just because we're praying according to god's word 6:36 and we're asking for salvation we're asking for mercy it doesn't mean that this is going to be 6:42 without suffering so we have to brace ourselves the the world is unraveling our world is unraveling 6:49 and evil is is blooming but yet we hope 6:55

in god's word he says in verse 42 so in this wave of shall i have 7:02 wherewith to answer him that reproaches me 7:07 for i trust in your word so by trusting in god's word so he says in 7:14 verse 41 he's praying for god's salvation according to his word and he says in this way if you 7:20 answer me i will be able to give an answer back to those who are humiliating me 7:27 to those who are reproaching me i'll i'll be able to have an answer for them not not my own will upon them but your 7:34 will and then i just wanted to point to revelation 6 7:39 and verse 10 where the saints are praying and crying out to god for his mercy and they cried with a loud voice very 7:46 emphatically saying how long o lord holy and true 7:52 do you not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth where is your salvation 7:59 and white robes were given unto every one of them and it was said unto them 8:05 that they should rest yet for a little season until their fellow servants these are 8:10 righteous men and righteous women and now they're being told to hold on to wait to be a little bit more patient 8:18 until their fellow servants who because they're fellow servants we have to conclude these are also 8:23 righteous servants these are also the holy people of god their fellow servants also and their 8:30 brethren should be killed as they were should be fulfilled so again 8:36 as we learn to pray for god's salvation as we hope in his word as we hope in his word so that we can 8:42 have an answer for those who reproach us it doesn't mean we want to be without any affliction 8:50 without any suffering that everything we don't we don't want any inconvenience everything must go our way that's not at 8:57

all what the psalms are teaching us or what the scriptures teach us the scriptures give us this big picture 9:04 and in that big picture view we can then withstand whatever it is 9:10 uh god decides we must endure in in in revelation 13 and 14 9:19 the the it speaks of the scripture speaks of the patience of the saints 9:24 he says in verse 10 of chapter 13 he that leads into captivity shall go into 9:30 captivity this is reality so so one is high and mighty and he's taking everybody captive 9:36 but we know the scripture have your day have your way go ahead and blossom you're like a 9:41 flower eventually you're going to wither so he that is so powerful 9:48 that he can lead the whole world into captivity and particularly god's people into captivity we know the scripture and 9:54 we hope in his word that he that legion's captivity shall go into captivity he that kills with the 10:00 sword you know what we'll be patient we'll be what white robes were given to our brethren 10:06 and they were told to wait until more were added and so we have to we have to 10:13 stand up for and represent god's word and so go ahead and kill 10:18 but we know the reality that you you do not have the control you think you have 10:24 god does and when he finally stands up 10:29 those that are high are going to be brought down and those that are low and trusting in him are going to be brought 10:35 up and so he that kills this is the reality he that kills with the sword must be 10:40 killed with the sword and that's god's justice and in this this understanding of god's 10:45 word and hoping in his word in this is the patience 10:50 and the faith of the saints so our faith the scripture is telling us 10:55 very very plainly our faith is in the long-term view

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understanding that everything is going to happen according to god's word our faith is not in the short term oh i hope 11:09 i i need to go to the place of safety nothing can touch me i must not suffer everything must go my way and that's my 11:16 faith that's not what the scripture says the scripture says that in the 11:21 understanding that god ultimately will have the upper hand eternally in that understanding is the patience 11:29 that whatever we have to go through because we have this understanding we have the patience and in this 11:34 understanding is the faith that we understand god's word and this is where our faith 11:40 resides he repeats it again in chapter 14 verse 11 and 12. and the smoke of their 11:46 torment ascends up forever and ever and they have no rest day nor night who 11:52 worship the beast and his image again you have to have this long-term view the easy way 11:58 is to go along and get along the easy way is to comply with the the mandates of the beast 12:06 the force of the beast it's like you know what it's just gonna be easy to go along and get along and 12:11 just fit in but if that results in us worshiping the beast 12:17 and his image it was a fatal mistake an eternally fatal mistake 12:23 on the other hand if we are persecuted because we do not comply we want to conform to the mind of 12:29 christ and if we are persecuted for that well because we have this long-term view 12:35 that christ will act and those who took the image and worshipped the beast will have no 12:41 rest day nor night they're going to be tormented and who and whoever receives the image 12:48 but whoever also receives the mark of his name 12:54 and in this understanding this again this long-term view in this understanding is the patience

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of the same so what we're seeing here is a call for patience and what we're growing to understand is 13:07 many saints will become impatient and their faith will not be rooted in 13:13 this long-term view instead they'll get caught up in the here and now and they will lose their 13:20 patience but in the understanding of god's word is the patience of the saints 13:26 here are they that keep the commandments of god and the faith of jesus so again this this 13:33 understanding of the instructions the torah so the torah doesn't just represent when we see the commandments 13:39 of god i think many times we can just minimize this to exclusively mean the ten 13:44 commandments and i think that would be a big error the commandments of god 13:50 are the commandments of god anything that he commands us to do is a commandment of god and of course that 13:56 entails the ten commandments but it's bigger it's every commandment that he gives 14:01 it's the torah it's the instruction set that he has given to us and the prophets 14:07 and the instructions in the prophets and the book of revelation he says in introducing 14:13 the revelation of christ he says that blessed are they or blessed is he who's who reads and 14:19 they who hear and keep those things that are written therein there's a keeping there's an 14:25 instruction you have to do this so if we don't understand what's in the book of revelation 14:30 and we're not keeping the instructions the commandments that are in the book of revelation 14:36 then how are we going to survive so he says back to psalm 14:42 119 so again i just wanted to go into revelation 14:47 just to talk about patience that we are we are going to have the ability to answer him that reproaches us 14:55

but that doesn't mean immediately we have to trust in his word we have to trust in the torah we have to 15:01 trust in the prophecies and just know that okay you have your way now but god is going to have his way 15:07 ultimately that's how we are going to answer so we're not looking for um what is that called short-term gratification 15:17 back to psalm 119 verse 43 and take not the word of truth 15:24 utterly out of my mouth for i have hoped 15:29 in your judgments so again we're looking at all of these instructions this torah the commands the 15:35 judgments of god and he's pleading now but the word of god 15:41 the word of truth be not utterly taken out of his mouth 15:46 and that is that is a bit scary it means the word of truth is in his 15:52 mouth and i think by implication he has seen others 15:57 who also had the word of truth in their mouths but it was taken out 16:03 they had it but they lost it and he doesn't want what happened to them to happen to him and and in this end time 16:10 where the time is so difficult and you know pardon me for saying this but especially 16:16 for western christians i think christians in other parts of the world understand more readily 16:24 than the western world christians who have lived very very well 16:29 relatively speaking we we have lived relative lives of convenience and now 16:36 all of this is quickly being stripped away from us and i think a lot of brethren have not 16:43 prepared themselves for a life of inconvenience in christ 16:49 so they're going to be very quick to try to hold on to convenience when in fact we should brace ourselves 16:56

for inconvenience because if we try to hold on to convenience it's going to be very hard to hold on to god's word 17:01 there's going to have to be a choice we hold on to god's word and in which case we face terrible inconvenience 17:08 uh you know understatement of the of the day uh by 17:14 holding on to god's word we will face inconvenience or we hold on to convenience and the 17:19 word of god slips from us and here he says in first peter instructing us 17:25 in the end time to sanctify the lord god in our hearts and always be ready to give an answer to 17:33 every man that asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you with meekness 17:38 and fear and in context if we study peter in context this is under persecution 17:44 under intense persecution we're able to give an answer because we have this long-term view and 17:51 we can withstand whatever it is we have to go through and still give an answer because we have the patience 17:58 and faith of the saints he says in verse 44 of psalm 119 18:05 so above in this way shall i keep your law continually forever and ever and 18:11 again note the long-term view so god please help me to hold on to your word don't take it from me there's going to 18:18 be persecution the easy way out is going to be to let god's word slip 18:24 there's going to be deception mounting deception and the easy way is not to be 18:30 studying god's word not to be studying torah and to be swept up in deception hey everybody seems to agree with this 18:36 and i'm i'm kind of fitting in it must be right versus no i'm studying the word 18:41 and i can't go along with this in this way shall i keep your law continually 18:46 forever and ever again the long-term view and i will walk at liberty 18:52 for i seek your precepts and that's interesting that he will walk at liberty in other words

18:58 he doesn't see himself at liberty in the present he's hoping for liberty in the future 19:05 and as the world unravels around us we are seeing our freedoms being taken 19:12 away from us but we hope eventually that we will walk at liberty 19:18 and one of our brethren in the slack community that we have he posted this article which just made 19:26 me like wow canadian minister of health calls for vaccine boosters 19:32 every nine months this was july 5th so this is just posted 19:38 vesterday canadian minister of health calls for vaccine boosters every nine months 19:44 won't rule out a return to mandates this is incredible it says here on monday uh duklos this is 19:52 uh jean-yves de close told reporters that fully vaccinated 19:59 so you're fully vaccinated hey i've complied i'm fully vaccinated now the minister canadian minister of 20:04 health is telling us that fully vaccinated is no longer a term 20:10 recognized by health officials and the canadian government we don't 20:15 recognize that term anymore instead they will begin referring to 20:21 up-to-date vaccinations this is this is scary stuff 20:27 that they're going to return to mandates which basically says that 20:33 if we don't comply and keep complying as they change the definition 20:38 of vaccination of fully vaccinated of up-to-date vaccine vaccinated 20:45this moving target if we don't keep complying we will be shut out of polite society 20:51 so as much as this omicron variant has really swept through the whole world and 20:56 it's been like a natural inoculation because it's uh milder and then we build 21:02 up the antibodies and then we're able to resist other strains of the of the virus

21:08 as much as that's a reality they don't see that canada wants to hold on to these 21:14 mandates which is a form of slavery and that's why earlier i said whatever 21:20each individual decides regarding their personal health situation that's none of our business 21:27 but when the government begins to mandate and dictate to inject a secret formula 21:35 into our bodies without any choice and take freedoms away from us unless we comply 21:41 and begin to say they're going to inject six-month-old babies this is a problem and hopefully we see 21:48 this because it's a moving target fast forward the tape where does this end up 21:54 and so we're seeing these governments increasing in their power and their authority and and you know the thing 22:01 about the communists and the islamists they're all the same they want to control 22:07 every aspect of a human being's life and subject that human being to abject 22:14 poverty and slavery so through all of this whether it's the 22:21 ancient babylon ancient egypt all the way up to today modern 22:28 babylon and modern egypt mankind has been seeking to enslave men 22:34 mankind has been seeking to be god over other men and we need to understand this 22:40 and we need to resist any indication that we're heading in that direction but 22:46 we are we are when the government says hey we're going to have a moving target and oh wonderful that you complied 22:53 maybe even put your own health at risk in order to comply maybe even suffered 22:58 injury in order to comply that's not good enough we're now removing we don't talk about 23:05 fully vaccinated anymore we now talk about up-to-date vaccinated 23:12 and that the whole rollout of vaccine passport this is beyond vaccinations 23:19

we who understand god's word please we who understand god's word 23:25 we're not caught up in vaccination status and vaccine 23:30 we see a bigger picture a longer term view and we see this infrastructure that 23:35 they're laying out as a means to an end which when we look at the scripture it's 23:41 not good and it's certainly not good for god's people so let's let's be aware of this 23:46 and eventually though what the psalmist is saying it doesn't matter what man does 23:51 it doesn't matter what man does because god is in control and because he has chosen to seek god's 23:58 precepts and to comply with god's precepts he knows he will walk at liberty and this word liberty really 24:04 means uh this expanse to be totally free which is what god 24:09 wants for humans made in his image and his likeness and it brings to mind psalm 23 24:15 the lord is my shepherd this is our sister lisa's favorite psalm the lord is my shepherd 24:21 i shall not want i might want in the near term but no ultimately i will not want he makes me 24:28 to lie down in green pastures he leads me beside the still waters the 24:33 sense of openness and expanse and freedom and safety this is the inheritance 24:39 of god saints and so he says because he's because he seeks god's precepts 24:45 he will be at liberty so those who are trying to force liberty 24:51 those who are trying to pursue liberty on their own strength they will end up in slavery 24:57 and those who seek god's precepts we will end up in this expanse 25:03 and true freedom psalm 119 verse 46 he says i will speak of your testimonies 25:09 also or also because it's begins with also i will speak of your testimonies 25:15 before kings and will not be ashamed that that is quite a statement because these kings 25:23

these are enemies of god these are antichrists these are kings that are 25:29 these they're the nations that why do the nations rage they are angry 25:34 and christ promises us that we will be persecuted for his name's sake and we will be brought before kings 25:40 and so we saw that fulfilled in the first century with the apostle paul 25:46 he says agrippa said unto paul you are permitted to speak for yourself then paul stretched forth the hand and 25:53 answered for himself he says i think myself blessed here hate him before the king 25:59 put me to death on the spot and i consider myself blessed king agrippa because i shall answer for myself this 26:06 day before you touching all the things wherever i am accused of the jews 26:12 so because of his study of the precepts 26:17 because of his his grasp of the torah and his confidence in god's word 26:22 and is his his uh confidence and boldness to speak of god's testimonies he 26:28 understands that he's going to be brought before kings and he's going to stand up straight 26:34 and he's going to speak like a king and like a man king to king let's talk king to king 26:40 and he's not going to be ashamed regardless of what these kings do to him ultimately he will be glorified 26:47 christ says in luke 12 also i say unto you whosoever shall confess me before men 26:54 this is the honor him shall the son of man also confess 27:01 before the very angels of god but opposite 27:06 he that denies me before men now why would anybody deny christ 27:13 before men unless there was a penalty for declaring christ 27:19 and they didn't want to face that penalty so they went from the long-term view and the patience of the saints

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to realizing their skin was in trouble this is going to touch their skin because satan says skin for skin all 27:32 that a man has while he give up to protect his life but he that denies me before man shall 27:39 be denied before the angels of god pretty serious 27:46 so we have to have this depth of understanding that even a king 27:52 cannot cause us to deny christ he says here in luke 21 and verse 27:57 12 but before all of these things they shall lay their hands on you and 28:03 persecute you delivering you up to the assemblies and into prisons 28:09 being brought before kings and rulers this is the prophecy this is the 28:15 prophetic word so on if we have the grasp 28:20 of the psalmist the understanding the importance of torah 28:26 and god's word and loving it and making it our study and our our passion 28:33 when we are brought before kings we cannot help but to preach the gospel 28:39 but if christ promises us his faithful followers his disciples will be brought 28:44 before kings and rulers why for my name's sake 28:51 so there is some understanding of the gospel 28:57 that we have that is intricately intricately 29:02 and just linked completely integrated fully 29:08 with god's word god's name the gospel and god's name go hand in 29:14 hand they're inextricably linked and we understand this 29:19 and christ is king and so when we're brought before kings we can declare not only the gospel but 29:26 christ's name and this in fact sorry because we are declaring the gospel with christ's name

29:32 that we are actually brought before kings and we will we know we will not be ashamed no matter what the king does to 29:38 us in this life christ says not a hair in your head will be harmed 29:43 back to psalm 119 verse 47 29:52 and i will answer above again and i will delight myself in your commandments 29:59 and again don't limit this to the ten commandments yes we delight ourselves 30:04 in the ten commandments but this is torah these are all the instructions of god that we have to study and 30:10 become really conversant in and well versed in and passionate about and we will delight ourselves in the 30:16 commandment he says listen and i will delight myself in your commandments which i have loved 30:22 my hands also i will lift up unto your commandments which i have loved 30:27 there's a real um incredible understanding and i think in fact today 30:33 it's easier for us to understand verses 47 and verse 48 of psalm 1. in fact it's 30:40 easier for us today to understand the whole of psalm 119 because of the confusion 30:47 that surrounds us because of the evil that is creeping all around us 30:53 in fact i should say galloping the evil that is galloping all around it's not creeping anymore you know when you see 30:59 mothers rejoicing passionately 31:05 over their right to murder their offspring 31:10 this is madness you know what did they say abortion should be safe 31:16 legal and rare they tried to try to really sell it that it would be rare 31:23 now they're saying it must be everywhere from rare to everywhere all the time non-stop it's a form of con

31:30 of um contraception and it's the mother's right to have control over her body 31:37 uh that's not your body that's not your body that is god's creation 31:43 and if they will do this to the innocent child that cannot it's the weakest member of our society has no 31:51 ability to defend itself if they will do this to that child 31:57 made in god's image and likeness what will they do to you what will they do to me who are we 32:03 supporting do we really see these governments for for what they are 32:09 they are evil hopefully we see this now it's galloping all around us 32:16 but he says i will delay myself in your commandments which i have loved 32:22 my hands also will i lift up to your commandments which i have loved and i will meditate 32:29 in your statute so there's a there's a depth the torah is is really 32:34 being embedded in the psalmist you know christ when he was on earth 32:41 he was the living torah he was god's word animated that's what we are trying when we say we 32:47 are christians followers of the way followers of torah we want torah to be 32:54 embedded in our dna and that comes from meditation that comes from study that 32:59 comes from a depth of understanding and it's just as i said before it's easier for us today i think 33:06 to understand the psalmist's love of the commandments 33:11 then it was say for our brethren who you know lived 40 50 100 years ago 33:17 yes they loved god's word but i don't think they had the contrast 33:22 that we have today when we see mothers drooling because they want to murder their children 33:31 when we see people not acknowledging gender the bible begins with god created male 33:37 and female they want to acknowledge this they want to destroy this they rejoice in in pedophilia 33:44

when we see all of these things happening around us surely we see confusion 33:51 and and i think that the saying there but for the grace of god go i 33:57 how easily any one of us could be swept up in these social justice movements all of 34:04 this chaos and confusion and have lives of confusion you know going to bed just sorrowful 34:11 instead of going to bed at peace having a loving family a loving spouse 34:17 having peace in our lives because of god's word are we we're overtaken with confusion and chaos 34:24 and and this is a cause and effect world so the more we break god's law the more it breaks us and we see people all 34:29 around us pretending to be happy and then just committing suicide 34:35 i think it's so easy for us now much easier for us now to say wow 34:40 god's law what a treasure what a treasure god's law is to us and 34:46 so we can see why the psalmist has just loved god there's a wisdom in the torah as we 34:51 study the torah and i think if we've been around the sun a few times and we're starting to gain 34:57 in age hopefully we're gaining in wisdom and we're understanding the power of god's 35:02 word so that was bob let's go now to zain remember the word unto your servant 35:09 upon which you have caused me to hope so we've been studying your word god and we 35:15 see the light at the end of the tunnel and we're hoping for that 35:21 remember return to your you know fulfill your word you don't he's not not that he's going 35:26 to forget the word but he's the psalmist is really asking god to act on it's like um god remembered noah you remember the 35:34 covenant it's not that he forgot is that he's now ready to act to act on your word remember your word 35:40 unto your servant upon which you have caused me to hope and for us i think in this end time 35:46

the book of revelation causes us to hope it explains to us in in chronological 35:53 order in in some a bit of cyclical detail what 35:58 is going to happen in the years ahead and ultimately 36:04 what cri the reward that christ is bringing with him and so he says here and we said it already revelation 1 and 36:10 verse 3 blessed is he that reads studies 36:16 and they that hear the words of this prophecy and keep those things which are written 36:22 therein so there are instructions in this book it's not just that we sit and academically say this it's a nice book 36:29 very interesting book very very vivid a very interesting book it's that it's our lifeline 36:35 and we are studying it so that we can follow the instructions in it 36:41 which comply with torah and keep those things which are written therein for the time is at hand this is 36:47 our hope it ends with christ saying behold i come quickly and my reward is with me so he 36:54 says we we pray like the psalmist remember your word unto your servant 37:00 upon which you have caused us to hope this 37:05 is my comfort in my affliction so it's not that we expect to be without affliction 37:11 in fact the word says that all those who desire to live godly in 37:16 christ shall suffer persecution so as the world unravels around us 37:23 the hedge that christians have enjoyed is being taken away 37:29 this is my comfort in my affliction for your word has given me life 37:36 the proud have had me greatly in derision so there it is it's not a smooth path 37:44 there is going to be persecution there is going to be suffering and these proud these arrogant 37:49 who are anti-christic they have had me greatly in derision yet

37:55 have i not declined from your law and this word declined it indicates 38:01 strain spreading out not not staying tightly coupled with god's word 38:06 and again this is what happens when brethren are not studying 38:13 when they're not taking god's word seriously we we need to be very very knowledgeable 38:18 of what is in god's word so anything that's happening around us we can quickly we know how how to 38:24 interpret it in fact speaking of this i should just say uh briefly 38:30 that god willing beginning this sabbath 38:35 pastor murray deacon jan and myself we want to begin a podcast 38:40 uh it'll be after services probably around 5 or so 5 p.m eastern time we're 38:46 just working out the details and it will it will probably just run for about half an hour but we'd like to do this weekly 38:51 because so much is happening so quickly i remember when i first came into the 38:57 church you know they would do these uh bible studies and they would really search and scour for news 39:03 to show that prophecy is unfolding now it's just 39:08 so much is happening every single week and and sometimes i think brethren don't know how to interpret these events 39:15 so what we'd like to do brethren please pray for us as a service to you is as things are unfolding we're going to 39:21 discuss it amongst each other we all have different perspectives we're all studying diligently god's word we want 39:28 to have a biblical view of these events so that's a podcast we want to begin god 39:33 willing the sabbath it's going to be entitled keeping watch so please up pray for our success as we start there 39:41

but certainly we want to help brethren not to deviate 39:46 from god's word and that's that's the problem we're seeing it's so easy to get swept up and caught 39:53 up in deception in pretty flowery rhetoric that sounds good almost sounds godly and 40:01 it is so ungodly and evil so the proud have had me greatly in 40:06 division yet i have not deviated from torah he says i remembered your judgments of 40:14 old and have comforted myself and this is what we need to do we need 40:19 to study torah because the judgments of old are in the torah 40:24 and we know of god's commitment to israel to his covenant 40:30 and as we study what happened in the past and we know that god doesn't change and therefore israel cannot be destroyed 40:36 off the earth despite satan's desires and the desire of evil and wicked men 40:42 we're able to study torah understand god's judgments understand his character understand his cassette 40:48 and we can comfort ourselves in his faithfulness he says horror has taken hold upon me 40:55 because of the wicked that forsake your law and i wasn't sure how to 41:01

interpret this because i tell you my trouble with this verse not my trouble but my challenge 41:08

so horror has taken hold upon me why because of the wicked

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so that's understanding we see we're surrounded by wicked men in power

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who are really turning our world upside down and really wanting to destroy and root out 41:26

any semblance of christianity any judeo-christian

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residue they want it out these communists and and they mean business and again as 41:38

i said if what they will do to the uh fetus the the unborn child or even the born 41:43

child uh who cannot defend themselves what they will do to christians whom

41:48 they hate so horror has taken hold upon me because of the wicked but actually it says 41:55 because of the wicked that forsake thy law and it's that whole phrase the wicked that forsake thy law that i was just 42:01 trying to think this through to say okay our governments in the west 42:07 they have been influenced by the torah whether they want to admit it or not a lot of the roman law was 42:14 actually influenced by the scriptures and the honor of the 42:19 human being made in god's image and likeness and so they are forsaking that 42:24 they are delighting in murder they are delighting in theft they are delighting in sodomy they are delighting in in 42:32 bearing false witness so they have forsaken the law even though they didn't really understand it 42:38 the other way that i could interpret this is when christ says brother shall betray brother 42:44 and that the wicked that forsake thy law are our own brethren 42:49 who knew the law but had the law taken from their mouths and now they have sided with the wicked 42:55 so maybe let me know what you think which way you interpret that i i'm leaning more toward the latter 43:02 that this is a breach within the covenant community in any case he says but certainly we have to 43:08 face a world where those in power have completely rejected 43:16 the judeo-christian principles and ethics verse 54 43:21 thy statutes have been my songs in the house of my pilgrimage or the house of my dwelling 43:28 and that certainly should be our we should be able to make this statement that the hymns that we sing and we just 43:34 recently received a new hymn book a new hymnal thanks to our hymnal committee that was 43:39

working on this with some beautiful new hymns in there and beautiful older hymns that we know and are familiar with that

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god's statutes are in those lyrics and there they encourage us

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and in fact that's the instruction in colossians 3 verse 16 he says let the word of christ dwell in you richly and

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all wisdom dwell in you richly means we're studying it we're studying we're studying it so it becomes a part of us

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teaching and admonishing one another in psalms what we're doing right now and hymns and spiritual songs

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singing with grace in your hearts to the lord there's something special about song 44:15

and singing that it's easy to remember the words because they're put in a poetic way it's 44:22

easy to remember them because they're beautiful there's a joy that we have in singing them in fact when when peter was

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in prison he was singing psalms and singing hymns there's something about the hymns that 44:33

strengthen us so we want to make sure that we are uh just these these under the 44:39

understanding in fact the way that we do our hymns i don't know in your congregation how you do but in our congregation if you're following us you'll notice uh we try to pick hymns 44:48

that com that match and support the sermon so as we're now singing the hymns because of the sermon message we just

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received we have an understanding of what we're actually singing and what it means 45:00

verse 55 he says i have remembered your name

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there it is we must understand god's name what is his name what does it mean 45:13

i remembered your name for your in the night and have kept your law 45:20

in matthew 10 verse 22 christ says you will be hated of all men why

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you have a strange personality you stepped on their toe you did something wrong 45:31

you shall be hated for all men for my name's sake there's an understanding we have that

45:38 the anti-christic hate but we preach it anyway you shall be hated of all men for my 45:44 name's sake but he that endures to the end shall be saved so there's no point trying to 45:50 there's no point trying to comply with these men who you just saw with the article that i 45:56 just read there's no limit the more you comply the more they ask for 46:02 the more you comply the more they want to enslave you the more they comply the more they disrespect you 46:07 what is that saying better to die a free man on life but better to die a free man on my feet than 46:15 to live as a slave on my knees this i had 46:21 because i kept your precept so this this comfort this this um support he says 46:26 these the statues being the song of his pilgrimage uh even though he's in this 46:32 state of um being terrified by the wicked he has this comfort why 46:37 he says because i've kept your law i've kept your precepts and and this is when we look at the book 46:44 of revelation and it says blessed is he that reads and they who hear the words of this prophecy and keep 46:50 those things which are written therein for the times at hand this is what we will have this comfort 46:56 we will have regardless of what's going on around us we walk by faith not by sight regardless of what's going on 47:02 around us we're going to keep his precepts 47:08 you are my portion oh jehovah i have said that i would keep your words 47:13 and when we are baptized and we come out of the water that's what we say you know we repent 47:19 we're going to keep his words and that's a covenant we're entering into and now we're being put to the test 47:26

will we in fact keep his words regardless of what's going on around us i entreated your favor with my whole 47:33 heart be merciful unto me according to your word this is faith 47:40 faith is not oh i believe i believe i can fly that's not faith 47:46 faith is i've studied god's word i understand god's word i understand 47:52 god's character and therefore i believe his word and i'm going to wait on his word 47:59 that's faith so here he's now pleading for god's favor with his whole heart 48:05 according to god's word we are expecting from god that which he has spoken 48:10 knowing like abraham knowing it's impossible for him to lie he says i thought on my ways 48:17 and turned my feet onto your testimonies and this again you know especially i'd 48:23 like to appeal to our young people you know when we were young 48:29 it was you know so long ago it wasn't it wasn't so hard it was it was more difficult 48:35 to see the wisdom of god's ways compared to the worldly ways you know it's easy for people to say 48:41 yeah well that's your opinion i i want to live this way you live that way now it's becoming really clear there's a 48:48 really clear decision to make here follow god or follow satan and that's it there's no real in between anymore and 48:54 all those people are trying to be very sophisticated and talk about evolution it's all chaos and nonsense now and evil 49:00 and mischief so for our young people to really think on god's ways and all of 49:06 us and turn our feet unto god's testimonies 49:11 he says i made haste and delayed not to keep your commandments and this is again to me 49:17 psalm 119 is so current it's just when i look at what's happened 49:23 to human beings you these are these are cr the creation of god

49:28 made in the image and likeness of god and look at them 49:34 leaving the natural beauty of the sexual union between a husband 49:40 and wife they've departed from that they've given themselves wholeheartedly not only to 49:47 fornication but to every possible perversion and now they want to bring that upon 49:53 children at the earliest most tender ages they want to introduce this formally to children 49:59 they want to take children away from parents they want human beings made in god's 50:04 image and likeness to eat bugs get on your knees and beg for bugs for 50:10 dinner this this is incredible they rejoice in crime 50:17 they support legally criminals coming into the country coming into our countries 50:24 and they give them free passage what what is this madness what is this 50:30 chaos and then the very people who are being enslaved 50:35 rejoice over abortion and the ability to murder babies in fact i was looking at a 50:41 letter from margaret sanger written in december 1939 50:46 where she's writing to dr gamble dr gamble of procter and gamble she's 50:52 writing to dr gamble and she's making it crystal clear she hates black people 51:00 and she is designing this whole program to stop the negro from reproducing 51:07 and that we need to set up these these clinics to abort and destroy black children 51:13 and now you have what is her name uh maxine waters you will not stop the black woman from 51:20 destroying our own fetuses this is insanity 51:26 this is insanity but those who depart from god's law they can be swept up in this insanity 51:33 and become useless useful idiots useless to god but useful to 51:39 anti-christic forces but here he says i thought on my ways i'm kind of getting swept up with the 51:45

worldly ways i thought on my ways and i turned my feet unto your testimony it's like i can kind of figure this out now 51:52 if i follow these lunatics i'm going to end up in the looney bin 51:57 or worse if i follow these lunatics i'm going to become evil and end up in 52:02 the lake of fire so i kind of looked at this and said you know in the short term 52:08 there are some sacrifices that i have to make but i get to live with honor i get to live with dignity i get to live 52:15 with purpose i get to live with peace and in a loving environment i'm 52:20 surrounded by people who truly love me and respect me and i have purpose in my life with 52:27 eternity in view this is like i'm gonna choose your ways god i made haste 52:33 and delayed not to keep your commandments in fact this makes he says in hebrews 52:40 again he limits a certain day saying in david today after so long time 52:47 as it is said today if you will hear his voice harden not your hearts 52:53 and and you know as elders of christ we're not naive 52:58 we know that not everybody who tunes into us not everyone who listens to our sermons not everyone who tunes into the 53:05 bible studies not everyone who gives us verbal support is actually living 53:11 god's ways we know we have brethren who are fornicating we know globally there are christians 53:19 even christian ministers i'm speaking of the broader christian world who claim to follow god 53:26 who committed adultery every day so we have to have a soft heart 53:34 the reason we're studying is not for academic benefit 53:40 the reason we're studying is so that we can conform our lives to 53:46 the mind of christ that we can become like him that we can purify ourselves

53:53 and so the the warning to god's people 53:58 is if you're hearing his voice don't harden your hearts so it's a bad road to go down 54:04 to be hearing the warnings and to continue in fornication to be hearing the warnings and to 54:11 continue in lying and stealing and disrespecting parents and covetousness 54:17 don't do this because then your heart hardens a little leaven leavens the whole lump today if you hear his voice 54:24 harden not your hearts make haste and delay not 54:30 to keep his commandments verse 61 the bands of the wicked have 54:36 robbed me but i have not forgotten your law 54:42 there's just this um embeddedness this digging in 54:47 to god's wall we're not we're not going to deviate from it we we have too much understanding 54:54 of the plan of god of the history of the covenant and the covenant people 55:01 and the future and the prophecies we have we have we've been studying this too long and too deeply 55:06 to deviate and to forget god's law regardless of what the wicked do and 55:11 hopefully we are seeing that they have no respect for god's law 55:17 do you not find it curious like is it just me or do you not find it curious 55:24 that because of the pandemic we could not have churches assemble 55:31 and that any minister who went ahead and brought his assembly together 55:37 would be humiliated and dragged off to prison and roughed up and and persecuted 55:42 but now we're facing this monkey parks which they acknowledge is primarily spread 55:49 through sodomy and the male genitalia 55:55 touching each other this is primarily how it's spread and in this pride month quote-unquote

56:03 we can't do anything about it we must allow the pride parades despite the fact that we run this risk 56:11 of a monkey pox pandemic no they can go ahead and assemble 56:17 but christians no way we will drag them off to jail 56:24 is it just me or is that a bit odd 56:30 the bands of the wicked have robbed me but i have not forgotten your law we must see this brethren and just be 56:35 completely attached to god's law he says at midnight i will rise to give 56:42 thanks unto you because of your righteous judgment so when the psalmist wakes up in the middle of the night 56:48 god is on his mind god's law is on his mind and this gratitude is just this overwhelming 56:53 sense of gratitude there but for the grace of god go i 56:59 and this this understanding this this foundation of torah 57:04 layered onto this the prophets layered onto this the apostolic writings 57:11 and the prophecies and instructions from the apostles layered onto this the buckle on the belt 57:17 the book of revelation and then layered on top of all of that the madness and craziness 57:23 in the world when we rise at midnight let's give god thanks 57:30 because of his righteous judgments that we look at it historically we've seen what he's done we can look forward 57:36 into the future to his righteous judgments not a single word he's spoken 57:41 will will fall and become void he says i am a companion 57:47 of all them that fear you the psalmist makes a difference a very clear distinction 57:56 between those who fear god and those who fear him not and it's really sad 58:03

for me it's heartbreaking for me when i see brethren who don't know how to make this distinction 58:09 they will hold on to the world more closely and they will defend the world more passionately than they will 58:16 hold on to god's people and they'll defend god's people but the psalmist makes it clear i'm a companion 58:22 to all them that fear you i'm not getting caught up in any other kind of affinity 58:28 other than do you fear god or not because if you fear god i'm your companion 58:35 and if you don't well you know i'll i'll do good to you do go 58:40 unto all men but especially unto those of the household of faith i'm a companion of all them that fear you 58:47 and of them that keep your precepts we are in this together and there's a distinction 58:54 john in the book of revelation so he says i'm a companion of all them that fear you companion 59:00 here john says he's the one who received the revelation 59:06 and he bear a record of what the word of god 59:11 and the testimony of jesus christ so everything we're seeing here in the psalms john is a great example an 59:17 exemplar of that faithfulness to to god's word and he bore a record of the 59:22 word of god and the testimony of jesus christ and of all things that he saw and then in verse 9 what does he say 59:29 i john who also am your brother we're we're in this together i'm your brother i'm i'm 59:35 part of this community and companion in tribulation 59:41 if you fear god you're going to face tribulation so says john 59:46 and he says i'm your companion in this tribulation i have faced it too he says end in the kingdom and there it 59:52 is again the patience of jesus christ this long-term view this big picture

59:58 understanding rooted in torah you know solidified by our understanding now of 1:00:06 what's in the book of revelation and everything in between this is where the patience of christ 1:00:12 comes from and john says he's our companion in this all of this suffering 1:00:18 that the godly must face he's our companion in this just like the psalmist 1:00:24 and then he's telling us listen i was banished i was punished i was exiled 1:00:31 in the aisle that is called patmos why john why were you in patmos 1:00:36 for the word of god and for the testimony of jesus christ the very things christ is the faithful witness 1:00:43 and he went through tremendous suffering but was glorified we are followers of christ we are going to go through 1:00:50 suffering but we will be glorified john is saying hang in there i i've gone through this 1:00:56 tremendous suffering and and as i see the big picture i see the followers of god 1:01:03 those who fear him being subject to persecution and suffering and i i am your companion 1:01:11 just as the psalmist says what did the psalmist say he says i am a companion 1:01:17 of all them that fear you and of them that keep your precepts notice there's nothing here about race 1:01:23 i'm a companion of those that have the same skin color as me this is all foolishness this is the the 1:01:29 political mischief makers wanting to divide people you can you can't control people if 1:01:35 they're united so we have to keep throwing division at them keep throwing division at them keep separating them keep them fighting each other 1:01:42 so they don't notice what we're doing to them until it's too late we should not fall into this 1:01:49 i am a companion of all them that fear you and of them that keep your precepts and 1:01:55 john says yeah i'm right there with you because i i i've suffered for this 1:02:01

verse 64 psalm 119 the earth oh lord is full of your mercy 1:02:07 wow that's how we have to see the earth it's full of god's mercy as satan and 1:02:14 the wicked are doing everything that they're trying to do to seize control of the earth we see the covenant constant 1:02:21 god's covenant love is constant and it's full of his mercy and he's planting the siege so that it's going to 1:02:26 overtake the whole earth the earth o lord is full of your mercy teach me your statutes 1:02:32 i've got to know your statutes and be totally plugged in to your statutes 1:02:38 final uh stanza teth you have dealt well with your servant o 1:02:44 lord according unto your word that again there's this understanding of god's word 1:02:51 and being able to perceive what's happening around us it's like oh 1:02:56 you have your truth i have my no there's just truth and god's word is truth and as we 1:03:02 understand god's truth and god's word and reality we can just see how blessed we are 1:03:09 in all of this unraveling we have something we can truly hold on 1:03:14 to and it's god's word you have dealt well with your servant oh lord according unto your word teach me good judgment 1:03:21 and knowledge for i've believed your commandments this real plea 1:03:27 to be on the right side of god to escape the insanity to escape the the evil 1:03:34 and to be right-minded through the power of the holy spirit in god's word teach me good judgment and 1:03:40 knowledge for i've believed your commandments he says before i was afflicted 1:03:47 i went astray and you know again if you think of the western world 1:03:53 and all of its affluence very very easy for christians in the 1:03:58 west to go astray and to get caught up in some form of prosperity gospel 1:04:05

but here he's actually saying affliction is actually a good thing we don't want it we don't want to be inconvenienced we 1:04:10 don't want to suffer but the psalmist is saying is actually a good thing because before he was afflicted he went to stray 1:04:18 he was not complying with god's word but now have i kept thy word now he 1:04:26 understands and he is in conformity with god's word so affliction and suffering 1:04:32we have to see the big picture and we have to be able to help others to see the big picture 1:04:37before i was afflicted i went astray but now i've kept your word you are good 1:04:43 and you do good god is committed to his covenant he's the the zeal of the lord 1:04:49 we'll will perform this we have to understand what is god zealous about what is he what is he 1:04:54 doing he's good and he does good teach me your statutes 1:05:00 so that i can understand that i can understand that i can live by them and i can conform and i can teach 1:05:06 others the proud have forged a lie against me get ready 1:05:13 brethren if you're a follower of christ get ready and you're going to be canceled and 1:05:19 you're not going to have the ability to tell your side of the story people are going to look at you as a criminal as a 1:05:24 lunatic as evil and you're not going to get to defend yourself until christ allows it maybe you can 1:05:30 defend yourself before kings but they're going to shut they're going to cancel you and lie about you and their false 1:05:35 witness against you the proud of forge to lie against me but i will keep your precepts with my 1:05:41whole heart that is understanding that is understanding that's a level of depth of understanding 1:05:48 that we must have nothing's gonna phase us nothing's gonna shake us because we understand god's word 1:05:55 their heart is as fat as greece their heart is as fat as greece

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but i delight in your law and so there's this difference in this whole sense of being unleavened 1:06:07 being simple being straightforward and conforming with god's word and not getting caught up in human arrogance 1:06:14 that the things they do you know when a baby is born 1:06:20we do not acknowledge any kind of godly divine design 1:06:26 that that this baby is born with natural immunity and and humans have always lived with 1:06:32pathogens and they have this ability to develop immunity 1:06:38 no as soon as it's born we the whys of the world in our genius 1:06:44 we must inject something into that baby almost as soon as it's born because we love it so much 1:06:50 and at the same time we want to slaughter them by the tens of millions because we love them so much 1:06:55 their heart is as fat as grease but i delight in your law 1:07:01 it is good for me that i have been afflicted again this is this patience of the saints 1:07:06 this long-term view this understanding that this saint has he says it's good for me that i have 1:07:12been afflicted so that i might learn your statutes there's there's a there's a humility and 1:07:19 suffering there's a focus in suffering and we have to embrace that 1:07:26 the scripture says you know don't think it's strange of the fiery trial that is going to try 1:07:32you it's it's par for the course and we need this understanding and any ministers you know who are not telling 1:07:39 the brethren get ready this is part of the package this is what it means to be a follower of christ those ministers 1:07:44 that are saying oh you know you follow christ you'll be blessed follow christ you'll never have persecution follow 1:07:49 christ everything's going to go your way this is false teaching it is good for me that i've been 1:07:55

afflicted that i might learn your statutes the law of your mouth 1:08:01 is better unto me than thousands of gold and silver amen 1:08:07 so so think of the wealth that the psalmist had access to or 1:08:13 visibility of and he's looking at that and he's saying no that's not true wealth 1:08:18 we brethren have true wealth and true wealth is understanding 1:08:24 and living by god's word what a blessing it is brethren for us to be together for us to be able to be 1:08:31 patient and just study the psalms line by line that particularly this psalm 119 1:08:37 particularly studying psalm 119 today in this day and age 1:08:44 where the world and freedom the world is going crazy sanity logic and freedom are evaporating 1:08:52 and many of the ways of the old world that we read in the ancient scriptures 1:08:57 you know the way people were subject to the egyptians and the persians and the babylonians it's all coming 1:09:04 back and what is true and what is always true is those who cling to god's word and 1:09:12 adhere to his precepts and comply to the mind of god we will never be ashamed 1:09:18 god bless you brethren jesus christ is lord amen 1:11:02 you