



SEEKING SANCTUARY IN THE LORD

Psalm 7

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People who seek and desire justice for others as well as for themselves can celebrate the righteousness of God found in Psalm 7. When God's standard is violated either personally or publicly, the Lord is the Judge and we can depend on Him to intervene when we call out for his name through genuine prayer & faith.

Psalm 7:1-17

*A Shiggaion of David, which he sang to the Lord
concerning the words of Cush, a Benjaminite*

*"O Lord my God, in you do I take refuge; save me from all my pursuers and deliver me,
2 lest like a lion they tear my soul apart, rending it in pieces, with none to deliver. **3** O
Lord my God, if I have done this, if there is wrong in my hands, **4** if I have repaid my
friend with evil or plundered my enemy without cause, **5** let the enemy pursue my soul
and overtake it, and let him trample my life to the ground and lay my glory in the dust.
Selah **6** Arise, O Lord, in your anger; lift yourself up against the fury of my enemies;
awake for me; you have appointed a judgment. **7** Let the assembly of the peoples be
gathered about you; over it return on high. **8** The Lord judges the peoples; judge me,
O Lord, according to my righteousness and according to the integrity that is in me.
9 Oh, let the evil of the wicked come to an end, and may you establish the righteous—
you who test the minds and hearts, O righteous God! **10** My shield is with God, who
saves the upright in heart. **11** God is a righteous judge, and a God who feels
indignation every day. **12** If a man does not repent, God will whet his sword; he has
bent and readied his bow; **13** he has prepared for him his deadly weapons, making his
arrows fiery shafts. **14** Behold, the wicked man conceives evil and is pregnant with
mischief and gives birth to lies. **15** He makes a pit, digging it out, and falls into the hole
that he has made. **16** His mischief returns upon his own head, and on his own skull his
violence descends. **17** I will give to the Lord the thanks due to his righteousness, and I
will sing praise to the name of the Lord, the Most High.*

1. INNOCENCE is ESTABLISHED (v. 1-5)

- We PRAY for Deliverance (v. 1-2)
- We PRAY for Justice (v. 3-5)

2. Divine JUSTICE is Observed in JUDGMENT (v. 6-16)

- We CALL for Justice (v. 6-8)
- God AFFIRMS His Justice (v. 9-13)

*"I the Lord search the heart and test the mind, to give every man according to his ways, according to the fruit of his deeds." **Jeremiah 17:10***

- **Evil is Inherent SELF-DESTRUCTIVE** (v. 14-16)

*"Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death." **James 1:15***

3. David's Composure is WAITING and PRAISING. (v. 17)

Salvation through Jesus Christ

*The single most important decision a person could ever make in their lifetime is to receive Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord. The Bible says, "all have sinned and fall short of God's glory" and we don't deserve eternal life because the wages of sin is death". Yet through God's love, only "Christ gives us eternal life by grace through faith"... it is a gift of God. God's word says, That if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is LORD and believe in your heart God raised Him from the dead YOU WILL BE SAVED. **The Bible says to REPENT of your sins. BELIEVE in Jesus receiving His forgiveness.** Then, identify with Christ and start living a new life in obedience to God by being BAPTIZED.*