

WHO SAYS SO?

Psalms 107

LET THE REDEEMED OF THE LORD SAY SO

It is easy to forget where God has brought us from. Here in Psalm 107, it says that if we recognize that God’s steadfast love has been good to us, we should recall that and say so. Giving thanks is a necessary discipline that we must do continually in order to remind ourselves when we have “selective memory” concerning God’s faithfulness.

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This psalm describes four different types of circumstances that people get into, and what they did in the midst of it. More importantly, it tells us what God’s response was.

1. Wandering Empty and Apart from God and His People: vs. 4-9
- This person is one that has been wandering through life, finding nowhere to settle. Or maybe they are like Goldilocks, they look and look but can’t find something that quite formed enough to their image. This person can’t find a “city to dwell in.” Ultimately, this “city” speaks of Christ, but also as the people of God, as Zion is the City of God that represents God unified with His people. This person wanders and is hungry and thirsty.
2. Rebellion that Brings Isolation: vs. 10-16
- This person has become a prisoner of their own sin. They willfully rebel against God’s Word, and went against His Wisdom. God, in turn, brings about consequences that were difficult, so much so, that they were left in isolation.
3. Sin Brought Suffering and Near Death: vs. 17-22
- Similar to the previous person, this one had their sin take them further than they planned, and they even suffered physical and tangible affliction. They couldn’t even eat, maybe because sickness or just loss of appetite, and even were brought near to death. Sometimes, our sin has actual health consequences, like addictions, some diseases like STD’s, etc.
4. Storms of Life: vs. 23-32
- This person was going about life, doing business, maybe providing for a family, but all of this was done in their own strength. God brought about a storm, and it devastated their life. Everything was gone, and it was out of their control, and not necessarily because of sin. They came to their wit’s end, as their own abilities had dried up.

MANY STORIES, ONE SOLUTION

Though there are many circumstances, there is one solution: cry out to God.

1 Corinthians 6.9-11 // John 6.35-40 // Isaiah 41.10
Psalm 91.14-16 // 2 Corinthians 1.19-22

Since God has sworn to Himself that He will fulfill His covenant, we can be convinced that He will always be with us. And with that promise comes a command at the end of each of these four people’s stories: “Let them thank the Lord for His steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man!”

Psalms 107.8-9, 15-16, 21-22, 31-32, 1-3

NOTES:

Upcoming Sermons:

Next week we will be having a little “say so.” Psalm 107 tells us that God’s people, if they know and see what God has done, should “say so” in the midst of the congregation. We’re going to give God thanks and praise for all that He has done among us.

This Week’s Scripture to Memorize:

Psalms 100:5

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Will You Pray With Us?

Follow along in our Daily Prayer Journal by downloading the **PrayerMate App**, available on both **iOS** and **Android** phones. Go to our website for detailed instructions on how to subscribe to the app to be praying with us daily, as well as reading through our **Weekly Memory Verse** and our **Morning and Evening Psalm Reading**.

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION CHURCH!

We’d LOVE for you to fill out the **Connection Card** on your seat to let us know you were here today. You can drop it in the offering during service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside - we’d love to give you some welcome information. Feel free to grab some food or coffee out in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you’ll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

If you’ve ever taken your child to one of our **Kids on Mission** classes, or enjoyed a cup of coffee after service, chances are there was a faithful servant behind each of those examples. Serving is one of the **most fun & rewarding ways we experience community** with our church family! **Fill out a connection card** to learn about the serving opportunities available today.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

The best way to **get connected** in the church is by joining one of our **Community Groups!** You’ll forge friendships, be encouraged, and take the sermon deeper into your heart every week. **Sign up for a Group** on a **Connection Card** or visit the **Connection Booth**. You won’t regret it!

GIVING

Gospel-centered generosity is motivated by a heart of thankfulness because of the sacrificial love God has already shown us. If you call **Life Mission** your home, you can place your gift in the offering baskets during service, give online at **lifemissionchurch.com/give** or mail a check to our PO Box. Thank you so much!

KIDS ON MISSION

Our **Kids on Mission** ministry has classes for **newborns – 5th grade**. Visit our website to read more about the vision and plan we have for our kids, including Pastor Jobey’s heart for the ministry and his walkthrough of our curriculum. For questions about KOM email **Katie McGinty** at **katie@lifemission.tv**

JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS

Our **6th - 8th graders** worship with the adults and then head to the junior high room with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Our **9th - 12th graders** stay in the service because we believe that it is critical for them to not “graduate the faith” when they graduate school. Our **High School Ministry meets on Thursday Nights @7PM at Casey & Amy Barnes Home in San Marcos**. For directions and/or questions about our student ministries, contact **Casey Barnes** at **casey@lifemission.tv**.

VISION: WHY DO WE EXIST?

We want to see God's glory known among the nations, to the least, last, and lost.

MISSION: WHAT DO WE NEED TO DO?

We need to make disciples who make disciples locally and globally, who are saved, equipped, and sent by the Gospel.

STRATEGY: HOW WILL WE DO IT?

By teaching people how to be rooted in the Gospel of God's glory through the Word of God, Prayer, and Gospel Community.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before your group starts, is there anyone who can share the Memory Verse?

1. Read **Psalm 107**. What was interesting, encouraging, or stuck out to you from the verses or from the sermon on Sunday? _____

2. Read **Psalm 107:1-3** again. Then read **Psalm 100:5**, **Psalm 103:1-8**, and **Lamentations 3:22-24**. Do you believe that the Lord's love endures for you forever? Do you put your hope in the Lord to bring you a good future? If not who or what?

3. How might you *honestly* complete this sentence: "my future will be good if I have..."

4. There were four different types of people represented in **Psalm 107**. Which do you relate to the most? Why? _____

5. In **verse 2** of **Psalm 107** it says, "Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom He has redeemed from trouble." Describe a time the Lord has redeemed you. Have a few people in your group share a short (3-5 mins) story of how God has done this.

6. Spend some time (around 20-30 mins) breaking up into smaller groups to confess and repent of any sin. Keep in mind that God already knows your heart and you don't get a badge for pretending to have it all together (**Psalm 147:10-11**), and we don't need to fear what men think (**Psalm 118:6**).

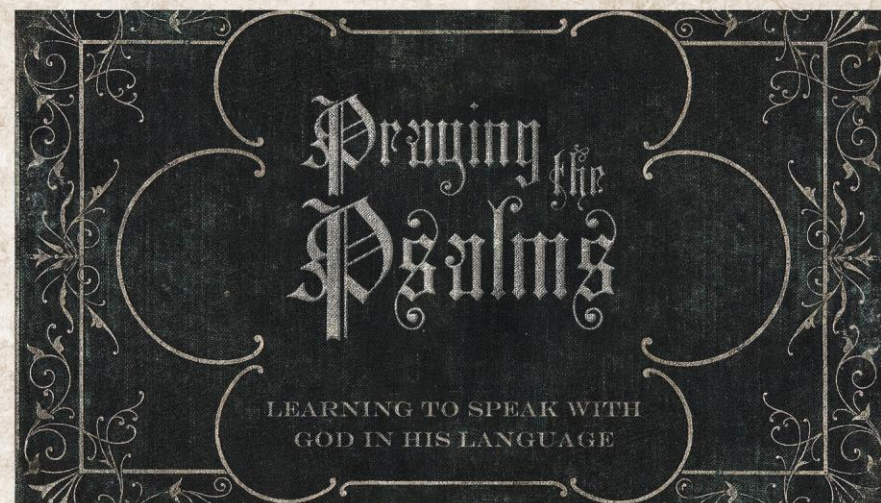
End group together in prayer. Using the P.R.A.Y. model. Praising God for the gift of His word, Repenting of the sin just confessed. Asking God to redeem you with his love and mercy, then Yielding with Thanksgiving.



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