

### Psalm 22:1-31

**1** Corinthians 15:1-8 Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; **2** By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. **3** For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; **4** And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures: **5** And that he was seen of Cephas(SEE-fas), then of the twelve: **6** After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep. **7** After that, he was seen of James; then of all the apostles. **8** And last of all he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time.

**Job 19:23-25** Oh that my words were now written! oh that they were printed in a book! **24** That they were graven with an iron pen and lead in the rock for ever! **25** For I know *that* my redeemer liveth, and *that* he shall stand at the latter *day* upon the earth:

**1 Peter 1:18-20** Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, *as* silver and gold, from your vain conversation *received* by tradition from your fathers; **19** But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: **20** Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,

**Job 19:25-27** For I know *that* my redeemer liveth, and *that* he shall stand at the latter *day* upon the earth: **26** And *though* after my skin *worms* destroy this *body*, yet in my flesh shall I see God: **27** Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; *though* my reins be consumed within me.

**Psalm 22:1** My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? [*why art thou so*] far from helping me, [*and from*] the words of my roaring?

**Mat 27:45-46** Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour. **46** And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani(E-lee, E-lee, la-ma sa-BACK-tha-nee)? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?

**Psalm 22:2** O my God, I cry in the daytime, but thou hearest not; and in the night season, and am not silent.

David the writer of this Psalm cried unto God day and night just as Jesus prayed often and cried unto God in the garden and from the cross as in V:1 of this Psalm.

**Psalm 22:3 But thou [*art*] holy, [*O thou*] that inhabitest the praises of Israel.**

**This is the language of profound resignation, in trials that are the most difficult to be borne ... even today when we plead to God ... He inhabits ... our prayers, He is near He is there with us carrying us through ...**

**Psalm 22:4 Our fathers trusted in thee: they trusted, and thou didst deliver them.**

**“Our fathers trusted in thee ...” David is supposed to have been, at the time of composing this Psalm, at Mahanaim (ma-ha-NA-im), ‘*two camps*’ in Greek - where Jacob was once in such great distress when he wrestled with the angel, and was blessed.**

**Psalm 22:5 They cried unto thee, and were delivered: they trusted in thee, and were not confounded.**

**“They cried unto thee ...” So do I, They were delivered so will I be delivered: They trusted in thee, I also trust in thee. And they were not confounded; and I shall not be confounded.**

**Our Saviour's example in this pleading that God had indeed heard and answered the prayers of "the fathers," and this is a strong argument that in our own prayers, we should recall He has already heard and answered our petitions.**

**As Jesus said cf:**

**Luke 18:1 And he spake a parable unto them [*to this end*], that men ought always to pray, and not to faint;**

**Luke 11:9-10 And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. 10 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened**

**Psalm 22:6 But I [*am*] a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised of the people.**

**But I am a worm, and no man ... But Jesus is not speaking here of his own estimate of his own true importance and worth, but of the estimate that his enemies have made concerning him, as proved by the second half of the verse.**

**He is “despised of the people” (as men despise a worm) and is not recognized by his contemporaries as a human being with rights.**

**Psalm 22:7 All they that see me laugh me to scorn: they shoot out the lip, they shake the head, [*saying*],**

**“Laugh me to scorn ...” They utterly despised me, set me at nothing; treated me with the utmost contempt.**

**They shoot out the lip, they shake the head - These insults our Lord literally received.**

**Matthew 27:39 And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads,**

**Psalm 22:8 He trusted on the LORD [*that*] he would deliver him: let him deliver him, seeing he delighted in him.**

**Mat 27:43 He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am the Son of God.**

**Psalm 22:9 But thou [*art*] he that took me out of the womb: thou didst make me hope [*when I was*] upon my mother's breasts.**

**But thou art he that took me out of the womb ... You God have guided and defended me from my earliest infancy. Yea from before the foundation of the world this is a foreordained plan ...**

**Psalm 22:10 I was cast upon thee from the womb: thou [*art*] my God from my mother's belly.**

**Luke 1: 31-33 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. 32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: 33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.**

**Psalm 22:11 Be not far from me; for trouble [*is*] near; for [*there is*] none to help.**

**Be not far from me; for trouble is near ... A near and present God is a present blessing. We always need the Divine help, but more especially when troubles and trials are at hand.**

**Psalm 22:12 Many bulls have compassed me: strong [*bulls*] of Bashan(BA-shan) have beset me round.**

**Many bulls have compassed me ... The bull is the emblem of brutal strength, that gores and tramples down all before it. Such was Absalom, and others, who rose up in rebellion against David and such were the Jewish rulers who conspired against Christ.**

**Strong bulls of Bashan ... Bashan was a district beyond Jordan, very fertile, where they were accustomed to fatten cattle, which became, in consequence of the excellent pasture, the largest, as well as the fattest, in the country.**

**So all the rich fat cats and big shots in Israel will compass and beset Christ.**

**Psalm 22:13 They gaped upon me [*with*] their mouths, [*as*] a ravening and a roaring lion.**

**They gaped upon me ... They were fiercely and madly bent upon my destruction.**

**I Peter 5:8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:**

**Psalm 22:14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint: my heart is like wax; it is melted in the midst of my bowels.**

**The images in this verse are strongly descriptive of a person in the deepest distress; whose strength, courage, hope, and expectation of succor and relief, had entirely failed ... Our Lord is resigned to His suffering and death upon the cross.**

**Psalm 22:15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd; and my tongue cleaveth to my jaws; and thou hast brought me into the dust of death.**

**My strength is dried up ... All these expressions are a mark of a most distressed and hopeless case.**

**“... my tongue cleaveth to my jaws ...” Jesus said: “I thirst”**

**John 19:28-30 After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, saith, I thirst. 29 Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a sponge with vinegar, and put *it* upon hyssop, and**

put *it* to his mouth. 30 When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

**V:15** “thou hast brought me Into the dust of death ... “This means only that Christ suffered death and was brought to the grave but Jesus Christ never saw corruption for He was not in the grave long enough for His body to rot.

**Genesis 3:19** In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou *art*, and unto dust shalt thou return.

**Psalms 22:16** For dogs have compassed me: the assembly of the wicked have inclosed me: they pierced my hands and my feet.

“For dogs have compassed me ...“ Kaleb a slang word in Hebrew for a male prostitute. This may refer to the Jews or the Gentiles, the Roman soldiers, and others by whom our Lord was surrounded in his trial, and at his cross.

“They pierced my hands and my feet ...” The piercing of the hands and feet was peculiar to our Lord. Therefore, this verse is a direct prophecy of the crucifixion of Christ written 500 years before crucifixion is invented by the Persians about 500 BC. Our Lord's hands and feet were pierced when he was nailed to the cross, David's never were pierced.

**John 20:24** But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus (DID-y-mus), was not with them when Jesus came. 25 The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe. 26 And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: *then* came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace *be* unto you. 27 Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust *it* into my side: and be not faithless, but believing. 28 And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God. 29 Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed *are* they that have not seen, and *yet* have believed. 30 And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: 31 But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

**Psalms 22:17** I may tell all my bones: they look [*and*] stare upon me.

**“I may tell all my bones ...” This is a description of the violent extension of his body when its total weight is hung upon the nails which attached his hands to the transverse beam of the cross. The body being thus extended, the principal bones became prominent, and easily discernible.**

**Psalm 22:18 They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture.**

**John 19:23-24 Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also *his* coat: now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout. 24 They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: that the scripture might be fulfilled, which saith, They parted my raiment among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did.**

**Psalm 22:19 But be not thou far from me, O LORD: O my strength, haste thee to help me.**

**“But be not thou far from me, O LORD ... Christ in His human body prayed God to be near Him in His sufferings.**

**Psalm 22:20 Deliver my soul from the sword; my darling from the power of the dog.**

**Christ Jesus is David’s darling too. For He is the savior of all who lived before the cross who looked forward in faith to His coming ... just as He is the savior of all who lived after the cross who put their faith in Him and come to Him in the appointed way.**

**Psalm 22:21 Save me from the lion's mouth: for thou hast heard me from the horns of the unicorns**

**“ ... for thou hast heard me from the horns ... of the altar, where wild beast are bound was to the horns of the altar ... Christ was as the Lamb of God sacrifice.**

**Psalm 118:22 The stone [*which*] the builders refused is become the head [*stone*] of the corner.**

**Psalm 118: 26 Blessed [*be*] he that cometh in the name of the LORD: we have blessed you out of the house of the LORD. 27 God [*is*] the LORD, which hath shewed us light: bind the sacrifice with cords, [*even*] unto the horns of the altar.**

**Psalm 22:22 I will declare thy name unto my brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.**

**Hebrews 2:12 Saying, I will declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto thee.**

**Matthew 18:20 For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.**

**Psalm 22:23 Ye that fear the LORD, praise him; all ye the seed of Jacob, glorify him; and fear him, all ye the seed of Israel.**

**“Ye that fear the Lord ...” This is an exhortation to the Jews particularly, to profit by the preaching of the Gospel.**

**Psalm 22:24 For he hath not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; neither hath he hid his face from him; but when he cried unto him, he heard.**

**For he hath not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted ...” God has graciously received Jesus in the character of His suffering servant to die and pay the debt of all sin. By His humiliation unto death the great atonement was made for the sin of the world.**

**I John 2:2 And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for [*the sins of*] the whole world.**

**Psalm 22:25 My praise [*shall be*] of thee in the great congregation: I will pay my vows before them that fear him.**

**“The great congregation ...” Here the great Church of Christ or as it is also known as the Kingdom of God which includes both Jews and Gentiles are meant. The Jewish nation was but a small number in comparison of the Gentile world. And those of the Jews who received the Gospel were very few when compared with those among the Gentiles who received the Gospel.**

**Psalm 22:26 The meek shall eat and be satisfied: they shall praise the LORD that seek him: your heart shall live for ever.**

**“The meek shall eat ...” ana-vim . the Poor, shall eat. In the true only Sacrifice there shall be such a provision for all believers that they shall have a fullness of ever-lasting joy. In the Temple the priest who offered the sacrifice, fed on what**

**they offered. Jesus, the true Sacrifice, is the bread that came down from heaven; that they who eat of this bread shall never die.**

**Matthew 5:3 Blessed [are] the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

**John 11:25-26 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: 26 And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?**

**Psalm 22:27 All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the LORD: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before thee.**

**“All the ends of the world ...” The Gospel shall be preached to every nation under heaven. They shall worship before Jesus the Savior, and through Him shall all their praises be offered unto God. Remember Jesus said before the destruction of Jerusalem in 70 AD cf:**

**Matthew 24:1 And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to [him] for to shew him the buildings of the temple. 2 And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.**

**Matthew 24:14 And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.**

**Matthew 24: 34 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled**

**Mark 16: 20 And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with [them], and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.**

**Romans 1:8 First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all, that your faith is spoken of throughout the whole world.**

**Colossians 1: 5-6 For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel; 6 Which is come unto you, as [it is] in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as [it doth] also in you, since the day ye heard [of it], and knew the grace of God in truth:**

**Colossians 1:23 If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and [be] not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, [and] which was**

**preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister;**

**I Thessalonians 1:6 And ye became followers of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Ghost: 7 So that ye were ensamples to all that believe in Macedonia and Achaia. 8 For from you sounded out the word of the Lord not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith to God-ward is spread abroad; so that we need not to speak any thing.**

**Romans 10:17-18 So then faith [*cometh*] by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. 18 But I say, Have they not heard? Yes verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.**

**Psalm 19: 1 The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.**

**All the celestial luminaries, the stars by the billions give testimony to His eternal power and might. All of the creation and nature bears witness to the creator.**

**Psalm 19:2 Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.**

**Everywhere to gospel has gone out and is being taught day and night.**

**Psalm 19:3 [*There is*] no speech nor language, [*where*] their voice is not heard.**

**By 70 AD the gospel was universal.**

**Psalm 19:4 Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,**

**“Their line is gone out ...” Their rule or direction preaching and teaching.**

**“... through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.” Paul quotes this prophecy in Romans 10:18 above and says it has already happened.**

**“ ... In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun” in Hebrew this means among them the Apostles are like a fixed place ... just like the sun is in a fixed place and all the planets revolve around it ... everything from God’s point of view revolves around Preaching and teaching souls.**

**Psalm 19:5 Which [is] as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, [and] rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.**

**“Which [is] as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber” Literally in Hebrew mech-up-pa-tho from under His veil, or a tent or canopy with 4 Posts**

**“... rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.” Those who preach the glorious gospel of Christ Jesus will rejoice as a newly-wed with their bride.**

**Psalm 19:6 His going forth [is] from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof. 7 The law of the LORD [is] perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD [is] sure, making wise the simple. 8 The statutes of the LORD [are] right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD [is] pure, enlightening the eyes. 9 The fear of the LORD [is] clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD [are] true [and] righteous altogether. 10 More to be desired [are they] than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb. 11 Moreover by them is thy servant warned: [and] in keeping of them [there is] great reward. 12 Who can understand [his] errors? cleanse thou me from secret [faults]. 13 Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous [sins]; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression. 14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer**

**Psalm 22:28 For the kingdom [is] the LORD'S: and he [is] the governor among the nations.**

**The kingdom is the Lord's ... That universal Gospel which was preached is now found in the New Testament.**

**Matthew 28:18-20 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. 19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, *even* unto the end of the world. Amen.**

**Psalm 22:29 All [they that be] fat upon earth shall eat and worship: all they that go down to the dust shall bow before him: and none can keep alive his own soul.**

**“All they that be fat upon earth shall eat and worship ... What were all the fat cats doing that weekend ? It was Passover a feast day.**

**John 18:28** Then led they Jesus from Caiaphas unto the hall of judgment: and it was early; and they themselves went not into the judgment hall, lest they should be defiled; but that they might eat the Passover.

**Moses prophesied of Israel cf:**

**Deuteronomy 32:15** But Jeshurun(JESH-u-run) waxed fat, and kicked: thou art waxen fat, thou art grown thick, thou art covered *with fatness*; then he forsook God *which* made him, and lightly esteemed the Rock of his salvation.

“... all they that go down to the dust shall bow before him ...”

**Romans 14:11** For it is written, *As I live*, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God. **Rom 14:12** So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.

**Philippians 2:9** Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: **Php 2:10** That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of *things* in heaven, and *things* in earth, and *things* under the earth; **Php 2:11** And *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**Psalms 22:30** A seed shall serve him; it shall be accounted to the Lord for a generation.

**Genesis 3:15** And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

**Psalms 22:31** They shall come, and shall declare his righteousness unto a people that shall be born, that he hath done [*this*].

**Romans 1:16** For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. **Rom 1:17** For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

**Romans 3:21-26** But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets; **Rom 3:22** Even the righteousness of God *which is* by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference: **Rom 3:23** For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; **Rom 3:24** Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: **Rom 3:25** Whom God hath set forth *to be* a

**propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God; Rom 3:26 To declare, / say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.**

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