

BBC Bible Study Outline – 11/24/24 – “The Glory of Redemption”

Psalms 113-118 are one of the Jewish Hallel or “praise” Psalms made up of Psalms 113-118.

- The Hallel was recited or sung at during several Jewish observances including Passover and the Feast of Tabernacles which was a 7 day celebration of God’s blessing of the harvest as well as a remembrance of the 40 years of exile after the Exodus.

The emphasis was on the redemption and blessing God gives!

This is a great model of thanksgiving... for God’s redemption and His blessings!

Psalms 113-118 in particular is a prophetic and Messianic passage that extols the glory of God in His marvelous plan of redemption.

The point for us: What God has done for us in Christ is worth continually praising Him for.

Psalm 118:19-24

19 Open to me the gates of righteousness; I will go through them, and I will praise the Lord.

20 This is the gate of the Lord, through which the righteous shall enter.

21 I will praise You, for You have answered me, and have become my salvation.

22 The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

23 This was the Lord’s doing; It is marvelous in our eyes.

24 This is the day the Lord has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Redemption: “to buy out” or “to buy back” – it speaks of deliverance secured by the payment of a ransom.

In the Garden of Eden, our first parents, Adam and Eve sinned by disobeying God and as a result were given over to sin and lost fellowship with their loving Creator, God, Who is perfect and just and cannot approve of sin.

As they multiplied in the earth, the sin nature they now had was passed on through the “seed of the man” to every person... meaning that each of us have a choice about what we’re going to do with our sin problem.

We need redemption! In this passage we’ll see 3 progressive aspects regarding redemption.

1. The Requirement for Redemption (v. 19-20)

The requirement of being redeemed and coming into the presence of God is... righteousness!

These are “gates of righteousness” because they are the way to the righteous God and only the righteous can enter.

But when man pursues righteousness, it is in vain.

- Ps. 14:2-3; Ps. 53:2-3; Rom. 3:10-12

So... we are in need of redemption, but cannot find righteousness within ourselves.

2. The Revelation of the Redeemer (v. 21-22)

V. 22 – what/who is this “stone”?

- Matt. 21:33-42
- Acts 4:5-12
- Eph. 2:19-21
- 1 Pet. 2:4-6

Jesus is the “stone” that was rejected by the “builders” but He was totally qualified, being born sinless, fully God and fully man, remaining sinless, and has been exalted by God according to His sovereign plan of salvation.

- *Will you receive or reject the Redeemer who has been revealed to us?*

3. The Response of the Redeemed (v. 23-24)

The response of the redeemed is the willing praise, worship, and exaltation of Jesus, the Redeemer!

- Psalm 107:2 – “Let the redeemed of the Lord say so”

Today, believers in Jesus Christ can rejoice and be glad because we live in a brand new day of triumph. For the children of God, every day is the day the Lord has made!