

singing : "Thy mercy my GOD" #11

Welcome friends to another broadcast of "Morsels for Zion's Poor"

The more that we read of the Psalms the more we are convinced that they are, prophetic, descriptive, and indicative of CHRIST. HIS glory, HIS life, and HIS redemptive work in the behalf of that people which HE came to save are all on display there. When we see a promise, we know that it is first made to HIM as that PERFECT MAN and that all of the benefits which are included in that promise are laid to the account of those for whom HE is a glorious SUBSTITUTE.

When we see a prayer, we know that every complaint which is made and every desire which is expressed has come forth from the heart and soul of HIM as the great MEDIATOR of HIS people. Every word of rejoicing is the fruit of HIS soul whose delight is in the LORD HIS GOD. Every hymn of praise, found there, is but the testimony of HIS heart desiring to magnify the LORD. Every description of a righteous man is a description of CHRIST's perfections and sole ability to dwell in the presence of GOD. HE is that ONE who has not lifted up HIS soul unto vanity nor sworn deceitfully. HE is that ONE who walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly nor standeth in the way of sinners. HE is that ONE who cried unto the LORD with HIS voice and was heard from HIS holy hill. HE is that ONE who has offered the sacrifices of the RIGHTEOUS; trusting in the LORD.

The prophecies found in the Psalms have their entire fulfillment in HIM as the LORD declares the glory of HIS redemptive work in the establishment of HIS kingdom. The earth and all of its fullness is HIS. Every blessing of the saints is due to HIM and HIS purpose to establish HIS Kingdom in the Earth for the benefit of HIS elect. As HE said "*Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.*" HE is pleased to call each one by name granting them eternal life and giving them an entrance there. HE said, "*I am the door of the sheep.*"

So when we read in the Psalms, "*HE shall drink of the brook in the way*", we are desirous of contemplating this "brook" and the occasion whereby HE drank of it. The first "brook" mentioned in the scriptures, is Jabbok. When Jacob met with his estranged brother Esau. He sent his family, flocks, and herds over this brook as a means of declaring peace to Esau. Jacob remained alone on one side of this "brook" as his family crossed over. We are reminded of our LORD's lonely struggle in the Garden of Gethsemane when we read about Jacob wrestling with an "ANGEL", there, for it was in the soul suffering of the LORD JESUS CHRIST poured out in Gethsemane, that blessings were secured for all which the FATHER had given HIM.

David chose "*five smooth stones*" from a brook with which to slay Goliath. David went over the brook "Besor" when he pursued the Amalekites. We see our "DAVID" fighting HIS enemies in the behalf of HIS people and giving riches to those who had no power. The brook Cherith was where the LORD was pleased to make provision for his prophet, Elijah in great famine as HE sent ravens with food, until such time as HE was pleased to dry the brook up. Our LORD drank of the brook of man's poverty and received no benefit from it, but richly blessed those for whom HE came.

David crossed over the brood Kidron, as he fled from Absalom who was pursuing his own father unto death. It was here by the "*brook Kidron*" that Asa destroyed the idols of the wicked Maachah, his grandmother and removed her from being queen. So too has our KING cast down all idols and destroyed any claims upon HIS throne. It is this brook which the LORD JESUS crossed over as HE went to the Garden of Gethsemane where HE poured out HIS soul before HIS FATHER and where HE was betrayed by one whom HE called friend, and was there abandoned by those HE loved. This brook was basically an open sewer, into which the blood and offal from the temple sacrifices was cast. Its dark and putrid waters represent the filth and degradation which is in man by nature and the filthiness of his supposed acts of righteousness and sacrifice.

The LORD JESUS, untainted in HIS character and person, became sin for HIS people, Drinking in their guilt and sin and becoming an OUTCAST in their behalf. HE did not merely dam up this brook or attempt to divert its flow, but by HIS own power, drained every last drop of its filth and condemnation, destroying even the fountainhead from which it flowed.

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