

PSALM 78

- I. The _____ of this Psalm
- A. A psalm of instruction and _____ Vs 7b-8
 - B. To recount Jewish history and the lessons learned from it Vs 1-3
 - 1. Give ear...*Incline your ears*-_____ carefully to what I am about to share
 - 2. Parable...*Dark sayings*-important yet _____ truths that need to be understood
 - 3. Vs 3-nothing that we have not heard in the past yet we need to _____
 - C. To explain the _____ of God among His people Vs 4-6
 - 1. Telling the _____ generation Vs 4a
 - 2. Telling them of what God did _____ His people Vs 4b
 - 3. Being _____ to God's command to share truth with the next generation Vs 5-6
 - D. To _____ worship and trust in God alone Vs 7a
 - 1. That they might-by hearing what God had done they would _____ with
 - 2. Their hope in God-confidence and _____ in God and not something or someone else
 - 3. And not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments-only 2 choices
 - a. Forget-lose _____ of what one knows and it no longer impact their life
 - b. Keep-_____ and obey
- II. The _____ nation of this Psalm
- A. The Tribe of _____
 - 1. Joseph's second son
 - a. Meaning of name: God has caused me to be _____ in the land of my affliction
 - b. Born in _____ while Joseph was a ruler in Egypt
 - c. His older brother was Manasseh
 - 2. Once the nation of Israel broke up into two nations, the name Ephraim became synonymous with the 10 Northern Tribes, also known as _____. The two Southern tribes were known as _____.
 - B. The _____ of Ephraim referenced in this psalm Vs 9-11
 - 1. Though well-armed militarily, and having God on their side still they fled in battle
 - 2. Though they knew God's covenant, they _____ to obey the conditions of the covenant
 - 3. Though God had done wonderful things in their midst they forgot and _____ the true God with false gods
 - 4. There are several places in the OT where Ephraim failed to be the faithful people that they should have been. It is hard to pin point the exact event referenced in this psalm.
 - C. The sin of the _____ nation Vs 12-56
 - 1. Reference to God's _____ watch care and provision for Israel Vs 12-16. 23-29
 - a. Miracles performed in Egypt to _____ Israel Cf Vs 42b-53
 - b. Protection and provision while Israel traveled in the _____
 - c. Provision of food from _____ Vs 23-29
 - 2. Reference to the _____ and sinful behavior of the 12 tribes Vs 17-20
 - a. They provoked (rebelled, _____) God's anger Vs 17, 21
 - b. They were _____ with the food God gave them Vs 18-19 Cf. Exodus 16

- c. They complained about " _____ of thirst" Vs 20
- 3. They would not believe in and _____ God Vs 22
- 4. They were not _____ for God's provision Vs 30-32
- 5. They _____ in their commitment to God Vs 33-37, 40 42a, 56-58
 - a. When God chastened them, they would _____
 - b. But they did not truly _____ of their sin and thus would return to it
 - c. They _____ the power of God in their favor and provoked the wrath of God against them
 - d. They committed _____

III. The _____ Father

- A. He was loving, _____, and longsuffering Vs 38
- B. He never _____ they were sinful people, even at their best Vs 39
- C. He _____ them into the promised land Vs 53-55
- D. He dealt _____ with their rebellion and stubbornness Vs 59-66
 - 1. God punished their _____ behavior Vs 59-66
 - 2. God _____ Israel (Ephraim-the 10 Northern Tribes)
- E. He turned his loving attention to _____ (the 2 Southern Tribes) Vs 68-72
 - 1. Mount Zion- _____
 - 2. David the _____ became David the great king