

INTRODUCTION: DEALING W/PAINFUL MEMORIES OF UNRESOLVED CRUELTY

I. PAINFUL REMEMBRANCES OF THE VISIBLE CHURCH (1-4)

A. GATHERED AT THE BEAUTIFUL RIVERS (1a,2; see Ezk.1:1,3; 3:15; Ezra 8:15f; Acts 16:13; Jn.2:6)

B. SAT & CRIED (1b; see Neh.1:4; Is.3:26)

C. REMEMBERED ZION (1c; see 135:1f,21; 136:1f; 23f; Ascents 120-134; see 42:4,1f)

D. HUNG UP THEIR HARPS (2; see 1Chr.15:16; 16:5f(34,41); see Eph.5:19; Col.3:16)

E. BECAUSE *THERE* IN A HOSTILE PLACE (3,4; see Dt.12; Ezra 6:12; 1Kngs.9:3; 11:36; Ps.78:68f; Jn.4:20; see 1Chr.15:16; see Ps.126)

II. COMMITTED REMEMBRANCES OF THE VISIBLE CHURCH (5,6)

A. DID NOT FORGET BY SINGING IN BABYLON (see 1-4 above)

B. WILL NOT FORGET BY FAILING TO SING IN JERUSALEM (5,6; 135:3,etc. /1Chr.15:16; 16:5f(34,41); see Eph.5:19; Col.3:16)

III. REQUISITIONED REMEMBRANCES OF THE VISIBLE CHURCH (7-9)

A. PETITION GOD TO REMEMBER HIS PROMISED JUSTICE (7-9; 135:14 /Rom.12:19 (9:22f); Rev.6:10f)

B. PUBLIC JUSTICE vs. PERSONAL VENGEANCE (7-9; see Dt.32:41; 2Kngs.9:26; Prov.20:22; 24:29; Is.65:6; Ezk.7:9; Zeph.3:5; Rom.12:19)

C. EXHIBIT 1: EDOM (7; Obad.1:11-14 /Is.34:5f; 63:1f; Jer.49:7f; Lam.4:21f; Ezk.25:12f; 35:1f; 36:5; Joel 3:19; Am.1:11f)

D. EXHIBIT 2: BABYLON (8,9; see *Is.13:1f,16f* (2Kngs.8:12; Hos.10:14; 13:16; Nah.3:10); 14:22; (10:5f); 21:1f; 47:1f; Jer.50:29; 51:24; see Rev.2:23; 18:6,20; 19:2; 21:2f)

E. THE DEATH OF CHILDREN (9; Dt.24:16; see Ps.135:8f; 136:10f; 2Sam.12:13,14; see Rom.6:23; Eph.2:1f)

F. JUSTICE FOR CRUELTY (7-9; see Is.13:16; Jer.50:29; 51:24)

G. SUMMARY: FULL & COMPLETE SALVATION (1-9; see 135:8f; 136:10f; see Rom.9:22,23)

IV. POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS REORDER: *GOD WILL JUDGE THE WORLD* (1-9; see Ps.9:8; 96:10,13; 98:9; 135:14; Acts 17:31; Rom.1:18f; 3:6)

A. KNOW THAT GOD WILL REPAY YOUR EVIL DEEDS FULLY (1-9 /Dt.32:41; 2Sam.3:39; Ps.28:4; 62:12; 94:1f; Prv.24:12; Is.59:18; Jer.17:10; Ezk.7:9; Mt.16:27; Rom.2:6; 2Cor.5:10; 11:15; Gal.6:7,8; 2Tm.4:14; Rev.18:6; 20:12,13)

B. FLEE FROM JUSTICE TO MERCY & GRACE IN CHRIST! (see 135,136; see Lev.16:21f w/Heb.9,10; 2Cor.5:21; Eph.2:1f; Tt.3:5; see 1Cor.11:23f)

C. PRAY FOR GOD'S JUSTICE AGAINST HIS & OUR UNREPENTANT ENEMIES (7-9; see 135:14,8f; see Rev.6:10; Ps.13:1; 79:5; 89:46; 109:1f; Hab.1:2; see Ezk.18:31; 33:11)

D. THY WILL BE DONE, THY KINGDOM COME (7-9; Rev.6:10; 18:6; see Mt.6:10 with Is.13; Rev.18-22)

Brethren, what shall WE DO? (see Acts 2:37f)