

The Cry of the Blessed

This fourth stanza of the 119th Psalm is outlined by the consonant *Daleth*. The character for *Daleth* has much _____ with the Hebrew consonant *Resh*. In fact, they are nearly identical. The only difference is the _____ or _____ that separates them. This is what Christ was referencing when He said, “*Think not that I am come to _____ the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to _____.* For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one _____ or one _____ shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.” (Matt. 5.17-18)

As we proceed through this section, it would be prudent to highlight the words/phrases that commence each stanza of this acrostic. In actuality, there are only three:

- the _____/my _____ (5x)
- _____/I have _____ (2x)
- _____ (1x)

The Psalmist is in a dire time. He states that his *soul* _____ *unto the dust*. Perhaps this thought continues from the previous section, where he speaks of *being a* _____, *his soul* _____, and the *reproach and* _____ being placed upon him. These, among many others, would make the soul of any saint to be crushed to the dust. Disappointment, burdens and grief have made his soul to melt!

My strength is _____ up like a potsherd; and my tongue cleaveth to my jaws; and thou hast brought me into the dust of death. (Psa. 22.15)

There is only One that can deliver him from this terrible time. He cries out, *quicken thou me...* It is only God that can _____ life (Ezek. 37, John 11). Each believer has experienced the spiritual quickening that ONLY God can give (Eph. 2.1, 5; Col. 2.13). His _____ is the vital instrument that produces this quickening (Heb. 4.12). Highlighting his cry, _____ contrasts are made. The Psalmist cries out to God, and the word “_____” takes a focal point.

- My _____ (v. 26) vs. the _____ of Thy Precepts (v.27)

- His current way was one of _____, _____, and _____. It is such because he has not _____ the Way!

The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth, and _____ them out of all their troubles. (19) Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the Lord _____ him out of them all (Psa. 34 .17,19).

* The _____ of Thy _____ – I want to understand! Even the details of thy Grand and Glorious purpose. What is man that thou art mindful of him?

- The _____ of Lying (v. 29) vs. the _____ of Truth (v.30)

* The _____ of _____ – It is an easy matter for a believer to be self-deceived! Oh, the constant need to have the God of holiness “_____ – to turn off/swerve.” This false way prevents us from being conformed to Christ!

* The _____ of _____ – This is the route that must be “_____ – joined unto.” It is the only way that will be correct! It is the way that is directed by the word of God. This was David’s responsibility. _____ and _____ ARE ALWAYS the Believer’s Choice. This is not a work that God can do... We MUST!

- _____ unto the dust (v. 25) vs. _____ (cleave) unto Thy testimonies (v.31)

There are many things to which we should cleave— our _____ – Gen. 2.24, saints should cling to _____ (Duet. 10.20), saints should cling to the _____ of God!

The Psalmist closes with an emphatic statement. *I _____ the way of thy commandments, when thou shalt enlarge (broaden) my heart.* (v.32) – contrast with walk!!!

God’s sustaining strength produced the _____ to overcome. The Psalmist besought God’s aid and was delivered from certain defeat. There is a lesson for believers today in this Psalm. We ought still to cast all our cares upon Him. David makes 5 specific _____ that would allow him to pursue with vigor the will of God.

- Prayer for _____ (v.25)
- Prayer for _____ (v. 27)
- Prayer for _____ (v.28)
- Prayer for _____ (v. 29)
- Prayer for _____ (v. 31)

For the Lord God will help me; therefore shall I not be _____: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be _____ (8) He is near that justifieth me; who will contend with me? let us stand together: who is mine adversary? let him come near to me. (9) Behold, the Lord GOD will _____ me; who is he that shall condemn me? lo, they all shall wax old as a garment; the moth shall eat them up. (10) Who is among you that _____ the LORD, that _____ the voice of his servant, that _____ in darkness, and hath no light? let him _____ in the name of the LORD, and _____ upon his God. (11) Behold, all ye that kindle a fire, that compass yourselves about with sparks: walk in the light of your fire, and in the sparks that ye have kindled. This shall ye have of mine hand; ye shall lie down in sorrow. (Isa. 50.7-11)