Monday, 23 July 2012

Psalm 7:6-7

Arise, O LORD, in your anger; lift yourself up against the fury of my enemies; awake for me; you have appointed a judgment. Let the assembly of the peoples be gathered about you; over it return on high.

Make Your presence known, Lord, to me and among my flock. Let Your hand be against all who assault us, all the minions of the Evil One, all those who take Your Name in vain and as a curse. O, Lord, stand between us and the temptations that Satan throws against us.

Tuesday, 24 July 2012

Psalm 7:8-13

The LORD judges the peoples; judge me, O LORD, according to my righteousness and according to the integrity that is in me. Oh, let the evil of the wicked come to an end, and may you establish the righteous-- you who test the minds and hearts, O righteous God! My shield is with God, who saves the upright in heart. God is a righteous judge, and a God who feels indignation every day. If a man does not repent, God will whet his sword; he has bent and readied his bow; he has prepared for him his deadly weapons, making his arrows fiery shafts.

I stand in Your righteousness, my Lord, not my own. Mine is as filthy rags, putrid and foul, but Yours is without blemish, sweet, fragrant and pure. Thank You, praise You, it is Your grace and mercy that stands between me and You. I have redemption, I have received the gift, the Kingdom Life Seal of Approval, the empowerment of the Holy Spirit, I am Your brother and co-heir with You in the Kingdom. I am Yours!

Wednesday, 25 July 2012 Psalm 7:14-17

Behold, the wicked man conceives evil and is pregnant with mischief and gives birth to lies. He makes a pit, digging it out, and falls into the hole that he has made. His mischief returns upon his own head, and on his own skull his violence descends. I will give to the LORD the thanks due to his righteousness, and I will sing praise to the name of the LORD, the Most High.

Thank You and praise You, my Lord and Master that You lifted me out of that pit which I had dug My mischief had indeed returned upon my own head and those of my family, but You drew me unto Yourself, washed me in the Blood of the Lamb and made me whole in Your sight. And then, in your goodness and mercy, set me to the high calling of shepherd to the flock. Praise You and praise You forever and ever, Amen.

Thursday, 26 July 2012 Romans 11:33-36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! "For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?" "Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?" For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

Another statement of the allness of "all things." It is no wonder that a few minutes ago, "Great is Thy Faithfulness" popped into my mind and is reverberating there.

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father; There is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not; As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be.

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Friday, 27 July 2012 Psalm 8:1-2

To the choirmaster: according to The Gittith. A Psalm of David. O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouth of babies and infants, you have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.

"How majestic is Your name in all the earth" "Majestic"

Bringing forth images of pomp and circumstance, royal splendor, jewels and gold, redolent with the aromas of many incenses, intense color and light, the sounds of countless saints singing praise, the blare of trumpets and the clash of cymbals, the mountains dancing for joy and the oceans tossing their waves in response, lightening and thunder. A superlatively intense display invoking all the emotions and sense. "Majestic" Yet with an overriding sense of being in the presence of the LORD God Almighty. Pressing awe and the crushing weight of His glory.

Saturday, 28 July 2012 Psalm 8:3-8

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him? Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

Lord, how stupid and willful can we be? When man looks at creation, his drive to be as you forces him to see not beauty and order but chaos. You have given him dominion over all creation but he sees only that man is a scourge on the earth and must be eliminated. Lord, O Lord, why do you withhold Your hand from this wicked and rebellious people?

Lord's Day, 29 July 2012 Psalm 119:137

Righteous are you, O LORD, and right are your rules.

Amen, period, fini! If I want to understand, to comprehend righteousness, to apply it to my life as my rule of living, I need to immerse myself in Your Word, absorbing Your love, grace and mercy, reflecting Your glory, seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Thank You, Lord.

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