Monday, 3 February 2014

Psalm 78:56-64

Yet they tested and rebelled against the Most High God and did not keep his testimonies, but turned away and acted treacherously like their fathers; they twisted like a deceitful bow. For they provoked him to anger with their high places; they moved him to jealousy with their idols. When God heard, he was full of wrath, and he utterly rejected Israel. He forsook his dwelling at Shiloh, the tent where he dwelt among mankind, and delivered his power to captivity, his glory to the hand of the foe. He gave his people over to the sword and vented his wrath on his heritage. Fire devoured their young men, and their young women had no marriage song. Their priests fell by the sword, and their widows made no lamentation.

The Day of the Wrath of the Almighty is coming when He will consign the Western Church to persecution the likes of which has never been known in this country. There will be a remnant, a small band who have not bowed the knee to Baal.

Tuesday, 4 February 2014

Psalm 78:65-72

Then the Lord awoke as from sleep, like a strong man shouting because of wine. And he put his adversaries to rout; he put them to everlasting shame. He rejected the tent of Joseph; he did not choose the tribe of Ephraim, but he chose the tribe of Judah, Mount Zion, which he loves. He built his sanctuary like the high heavens, like the earth, which he has founded forever. He chose David his servant and took him from the sheepfolds; from following the nursing ewes he brought him to shepherd Jacob his people, Israel his inheritance. With upright heart he shepherded them and guided them with his skillful hand.

The Lord Jesus Christ returns in triumph to assume His rightful place as the King to whom all will bow, every knee will bend and every tongue confess that he is Lord. Halleluiah, come, Lord Jesus, come

Wednesday, 5 February 2014 Revelation 3:18-19

I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, so that you may be rich, and white garments so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness may not be seen, and salve to anoint your eyes, so that you may see. Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and repent.

The Lord's gold brings to mind the purity and incorruptibility of His Word, the white garments remind me of the transformation and restoration that is being worked in me and the salve is the Holy Spirit anointing the eyes of my heart (Eph. 1:18) so that I may see the glories of the transcendent.

Thursday, 6 February 2014 Psalm 79:1-4

A Psalm of Asaph. O God, the nations have come into your inheritance; they have defiled your holy temple; they have laid Jerusalem in ruins. They have given the bodies of your servants to the birds of the heavens for food, the flesh of your faithful to the beasts of the earth. They have poured out their blood like water all around Jerusalem, and there was no one to bury them. We have become a taunt to our neighbors, mocked and derided by those around us.

Lord, open my eyes to the insidious ways in which the Kingdom of Man has invaded and perverted the Church. How has the world around us seeped in to dilute our worship? How has it destroyed our communion with You? How have we become convinced that we can pick and chose those portions of Your Word to obey and to ignore? Our protestations of faith have become hollow and a joke in the eyes of the world.

Friday, 7 February 2014 Psalm 79:5-7

How long, O LORD? Will you be angry forever? Will your jealousy burn like fire? Pour out your anger on the nations that do not know

you, and on the kingdoms that do not call upon your name! For they have devoured Jacob and laid waste his habitation.

Lord, You know Your Church is weak and easily dissuaded from the Path of Righteousness. You know that the fool's gold of the world is far more accessible and desirable in our eyes than the pure Gold refined in the fire. Direct our anger towards those who would call us away from You; lead us in the way we should go.

Saturday, 8 February 2014 Psalm 79:8-10

Do not remember against us our former iniquities; let your compassion come speedily to meet us, for we are brought very low. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and atone for our sins, for your name's sake! Why should the nations say, "Where is their God?" Let the avenging of the outpoured blood of your servants be known among the nations before our eyes!

How long, O Lord, will You continue to withhold Your hand from chastising those who condone the Sin of Moloch? How long until You send Your fierce wrath against those chase after other gods; the gods of the materialistic culture around us?

Lord's Day, 9 February 2014 Psalm 119:66

Teach me good judgment and knowledge, for I believe in your commandments.

Let that good judgment and knowledge be a hallmark of the working of Your commandments in me. As Your Word enters into my life, let it flow out as a river of life, a river that cleanses and restores Your Shalom.

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