

Monday, 14 July 2014

Romans 11:33-36

*O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out! For who hath known the mind of the Lord? or who hath been his counsellor .Or who hath first given to him, and it shall be recompensed unto him again? For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things: to whom be glory for ever. Amen.*

The joy of resting in the Father's love, the peace that comes from knowing that ALL things work for my good, the comfort that is mine for I do not, yes—must not live consumed by fear and worry. Praise to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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Tuesday, 15 July 2014

Psalm 103:1-5

*Of David. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.*

The LORD's mercy to me began before the very beginning of time as He laid out the great plan of grace and mercy that would redeem me and restore me to His presence. Just the beginning of His infinitely detailed plan to draw me into His Kingdom and assign me to the task of vine dresser in His vineyard. Hallelujah

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Psalm 103:6-8

*The LORD works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed. He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel. The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.*

I am amazed at the patience of the Almighty. His toleration of my petulant behavior is hardly described by "slow to

anger." truly "abounding in steadfast love.

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Thursday, 17 July 2014

Psalm 103:9-10

*He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.*

David continues in this masterpiece of understatement as he and I both acknowledge that the Lord has not, does not, and will not repay us according to our sins.

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Friday, 18 July 2014

Psalm 103:11-14

*For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him. For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.*

Now as David strives to describe the incredible munificence of the Almighty towards those whom He loves, human language is not up to the task, whether it be Hebrew or English. How can a finite creature, circumscribed by time and space, describe or comprehend the Infinite? Dust, just dust, from whence I came, to which I shall return.

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Saturday, 19 July 2014

Psalm 103:15-18

*As for man, his days are like grass; he flourishes like a flower of the field; for the wind passes over it, and it is gone, and its place knows it no more. But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children, to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments.*

How can I put it better than the Apostle John when he wrote, "Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has

been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? (1 John 5:1-5 ESV)

Blessing heaped upon blessing.

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Lord's Day, 20 July 2014

*Psalm 119:74, 79*

*Those who fear you shall see me and rejoice, because I have hoped in your word. Let those who fear you turn to me, that they may know your testimonies.*

Let the hope that lies within me be evident to all. Let that hope bring joy to those who love and honor you and bring understanding to those who seek you. Let that hope be evidence of Your righteousness through the testimony of my life in You.

## VOICES TOGETHER

*Daily Meditations from the Psalms*



*July 14-20, 2014*

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