Monday, 1 September 2014

Psalm 107:1-4

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever! Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Gathered in not only geographically but also from across the spectrum of sin and disobedience. Your steadfast love knows no national boundaries nor cannot be stopped from crossing the deepest sin filled chasm. Praise You, Lord and Savior Your grace extends to all.

Tuesday, 2 September 2014

Psalm 107:4-9

Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to a city to dwell in; hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them. Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. He led them by a straight way till they reached a city to dwell in. Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man! For he satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul he fills with good things.

O, the soul that longs for You and is hungry for Your salvation. There is no dearth, all thirst and hunger for Your righteousness, peace and joy is slaked, all satisfied with the Holy Spirit. Praise You, Lord Jesus Christ.

Wednesday, 3 September 2014

Psalm 107:10-16

Some sat in darkness and in the shadow of death, prisoners in affliction and in irons, for they had rebelled against the words of God, and spurned the counsel of the Most High. So he bowed their hearts down with hard labor; they fell down, with none to help. Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death, and burst their bonds apart. Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man! For he shatters the doors of bronze and cuts in two the bars of iron.

Lord. My prayer is for those in my family who do not acknowledge You as Lord and Master. Lord, that they would cry to You in their trouble and distress; bring them up out of darkness and burst their bonds. Let their mouths be filled with Your praises and be forever walking in the Kingdom.

Thursday, 4 September 2014 Psalm 107:17-22

Some were fools through their sinful ways, and because of their iniquities suffered affliction; they loathed any kind of food, and they drew near to the gates of death. Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. He sent out his word and healed them, and delivered them from their destruction. Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man! And let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving, and tell of his deeds in songs of joy!

How close to death do my 'other gods' have to carry me before I cry out to You in my troubles? How often do I minister to those who love their 'other gods' and are not willing to part from them? Heal us, Lord, and bring us into a state of thanksgiving and praise.

Friday, 5 September 2014 Psalm 107:23-32

Some went down to the sea in ships, doing business on the great waters; they saw the deeds of the LORD, his wondrous works in the deep. For he commanded and raised the stormy wind, which lifted up the waves of the sea. They mounted up to heaven; they went down to the depths; their courage melted away in their evil plight; hey reeled and staggered like drunken men and were at their wits' end. Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. He made the storm be still, and the waves of the sea were hushed. Then they were glad that the waters were quiet, and he brought them to their desired haven. Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man! Let them extol him in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders.

A young family, dear to Betty and me, is going through a period of turmoil. We are crying to You for healing and relief from their distress. May wounds be healed, may broken relationships be restored, may all involved turn to You in praise and thanksgiving.

Saturday, 6 September 2014 Psalm 107:33-43

He turns rivers into a desert, springs of water into thirsty ground, a fruitful land into a salty waste, because of the evil of its inhabitants. He turns a desert into pools of water, a parched land into springs of water. And there he lets the hungry dwell, and they establish a city to live in; they sow fields and plant vineyards and get a fruitful yield. By his blessing they multiply greatly, and he does not let their livestock diminish. When they are diminished and brought low through oppression, evil, and sorrow, (40) he pours contempt on princes and makes them wander in trackless wastes; but he raises up the needy out of affliction and makes their families like flocks. The upright see it and are glad, and all wickedness shuts its mouth. Whoever is wise, let him attend to these things; let them consider the steadfast love of the LORD.

You are the very definition of Justice, Righteousness, Peace and Mercy. You are the Great Provider, the Healer, the Creator, the I Am. You are the Source of All Good, the One Who is Manifest in All Creation, the One Who Spoke All into Existence. You are the LORD, God Almighty and my Father. Praise You for your steadfast love.

Lord's Day, 7 September 2014 Psalm 119:132

Turn to me and be gracious to me, as is your way with those who love your name.

Lord, You are gracious to me, You do protect and shield me, You do manifest Yourself to me, You do fill my heart with love and gratitude, You are the Great Shepherd.

I love You, my Lord and Master.

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