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Oh my goodness... my son-in-law told me about the songs from a guy names Jeremy Rosado. I listened to his music and was so blessed. His song, "Keep Holding On" reminded me of today's passage. And "When I Meet Jesus." And "Waiting Room." Since I'm sharing songs, another artist whose recording name is, "I Needed This Dave", wrote a song called "Dear God". So good! And his song, "Redeemed!" If you listen, I'd love to hear what you think.

Blessings, Jonna

Psalm 90

This psalm is written by MOSES! Of the 150 psalms, this is the only psalm he wrote. He wrote it while he was leading the Israelites through the 40 years of wandering in the wilderness due to their lack of faith. What did his one and only psalm teach him and what does it teach me?

Vs. 1-2 ~ "Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever You had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting You are God."

In the midst of wandering, Moses knew that the LORD Yahweh is the same yesterday, today, and forever... even before He had formed the earth or the mountain where He gave Moses the law, He was Elohim... the all-powerful God. Moses knew that God was with them as their dwelling place... their refuge. God even had them raise up a tent to go with them throughout the 40 years so that they would have a constant reminder of His presence. He gave them a cloud to follow by day and a pillar of fire by night so that they would never have to question His presence.

Today, I have the fire of the Holy Spirit dwelling in my heart... and I have the manna of His word nourishing me so that I never have to question His presence in my life.

Vs. 3-6 \sim "You return man to dust and say, 'Return, O children of man!' For a thousand years in Your sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch in the night. You sweep them

away as with a flood; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning: in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers."

God is all powerful and He has all authority. He is from everlasting to everlasting, but man is from the dust... and God returns us to the dust when our days on earth are over. A thousand years to Him are just like thinking of yesterday... because He is eternal! He sweeps the years away as though they were like a flash flood, like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning, and like the grass that withers at night.

I see this power of God's in the seasons. I see how time continues to pass because He has declared it, and it is. I also see that I think way too highly of my own wisdom and insight. How often do I think I know better than God? How often do I think I can control my circumstances when He holds the world in His hands and upholds the universe by the word of His power? O Lord, please help me to have an eternal perspective, and help me to see You as my eternal, sovereign God! Help me to trust You completely because You are completely trustworthy. Help me to submit to You wholeheartedly because You are Yahweh Elohim.

Vs. 7-11 ~ "For we are brought to an end by Your anger; by Your wrath we are dismayed. You have set our iniquities before You, our secret sins in the light of Your presence. For all our days pass away under Your wrath; we bring our years to an end like a sigh. The years of our life are seventy, or even by reason of strength eighty; yet their span is but toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away. Who considers the power of Your anger, and your wrath according to the fear of You?"

Moses and the Israelites experienced God's anger during those 40 years because they continued to rebel against Him over and over again. They grumbled and complained. They almost killed Moses several times. They built a golden calf to worship. Moses himself was not allowed to enter the Promised Land because he had acted arrogantly and disobeyed God in anger. They KNEW His discipline... and they also knew His mercy. In all their rebellion, He never wavered from being their dwelling place. He continued to call them back to Himself. He did not waver in His holiness or His justice, and He also did not waver in His mercy and grace.

"Who considers the power of your anger, and your wrath according to the fear of you?" Instead of being defensive about Your discipline when I am rebellious, O Lord, please let it stir more reverent awe of You. You are in control, in charge, holy, eternal. O Lord, like the psalmist from Psalm 119:71, 75 say, "It is good for me that I was afflicted, that I might learn Your statutes... I know, O Lord, that Your rules are righteous, and that in faithfulness You have afflicted me." Your discipline is always done in love, and always to draw me back to You, my safe refuge.

Vs. 12 ~ "So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom."

O Lord, You are eternal. I'm not. Help me to keep perspective that my breath of a life on this earth is not my hope... You are. Give me Your wisdom. I am a simple fool without You. When I

don't keep Your wisdom, power, and love in focus, I get caught up in the cares of this world. I treasure what is perishable. Please help me to treasure You.

Vs. 13-17 ~ "Return, O Lord! How long? Have pity on Your servants! Satisfy us in the morning with Your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. Make us glad for as many days as You have afflicted us, and for as many years as we have seen evil. Let Your work be shown to Your servants, and Your glorious power to their children. Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us and establish the work of our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands!"

Moses asks the Lord to "Return and have pity on us." He's begging the Lord to relent from the wrath they rightfully deserve and have compassion on them. And God doesn't get mad at that request! If I were God, I would think, "Dude, you and your Israelite brothers and sisters have totally disrespected Me and disregarded what I told them to do. Take your punishment and be quiet!" But this is what God really says, "For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: 'I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite. For I will not contend forever, nor will I always be angry; for the spirit would grow faint before Me, and the breath of life that I made'" (Isaiah 57:15-16). God IS compassionate! He can even handle it when I'm asking for Him to relent from the discipline that I rightfully deserve. He doesn't crush me for my sin. His whole purpose is to restore me!

Moses knew that what he and the Israelites needed was God's satisfying and steadfast love. He knew that celebration and rejoicing are not found in our circumstances but in God's love that rises like the dawn and stays with us without fail.

Moses asked God to give them the same number of days of gladness as the days they had experienced of evil. God is so good. The truth is, my earthly life is just a breath and my immortal life with Him is forever. The days of evil I will experience are just a drop in the ocean compared to the eternity of the joy I will experience in His presence. Moses asked for a tiny hope. God gave him and me eternal hope.

Moses asked the Lord to show His work to His servants and His power to their children. God answered this prayer far beyond what Moses could ask or imagine. He showed His work through His Son, Jesus. And His power is forever... even the power of death could not hold Him.

Moses finally asked, "Let the favor of Yahweh, our Elohim, be upon us." Let our personal, all-powerful God take pleasure in us. Let Him delight in us. We don't deserve it. But that doesn't stop Him. The same God who delivered the Israelites from Egypt, and who DID take them into the Promised Land as He promised, in spite of their rebellion... is the same God who has "delivered me from the domain of darkness and transferred me to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom I have redemption, the forgiveness of sins" (Colossians 1:13-14).

As God's favor is upon us, we can ask, "Please establish... prepare... make firm... the work of our

hands." Proverbs 16:3 says, "Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans WILL be established." O Lord, it is not You who are unfaithful. If anyone is unfaithful, it's me. And yet, You are merciful, compassionate, and gracious. No matter what I walk through here on earth, I pray that I will run to You as my dwelling place. You are ALWAYS with me. Your steadfast love is always with me. Help me to see that any discipline I face from You is because You DO delight in me. If You didn't, You would just let me be crushed. I trust You. I bow to You. You are in charge. You are my authority. You are my wisdom. You are my trust. You are my comfort. Amen.