

From Despair to Doxology Notes

Psalm 22

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Background

1. The first verse of this Psalm was quoted by _____ as he hung on the cross.
2. Psalm 22 was not commonly interpreted as a _____ Psalm to most Jews in the centuries prior to Christ.
3. Two Interpretive Layers
 - King David layer – The immediate, historical meaning relating to David’s lament and deliverance.
 - Jesus Christ Layer – the ultimate prophetic meaning that is fulfilled by the saving works of Jesus Christ.
4. This Psalm is a _____.
5. “The Doe of the Dawn” is referring to a specific musical _____ or perhaps a specific musical mode.
6. Psalm 22 is divided into two parts
 - Part 1 (vs 1-21) _____, suffering, and pleas for deliverance.
 - Part 2 (vs. 21b-31) Declaration of God’s _____ and future praise.

Psalm 22, Part 1 (vs. 1-21a)

1. David feels _____.
2. To biblically lament is a form of prayer that expresses deep sorrow, pain, or grief to God with the purpose of _____ our suffering and to draw closer to God and grow in our trust in God.
3. God does His best work through _____.
4. There are times in our lives when we feel _____.
5. Questioning God is not condemned by scripture, it is modeled for us!
6. In verse 3-5, David reminds himself of God’s _____ and past saving acts.
7. David knows there is only one source of hope for deliverance: _____ Almighty.

Part 1 Application

1. We should be _____ with God in our pain and questioning.
2. Remember that our suffering doesn’t _____ us.
3. Keep _____ out – God is closer than we think.

Psalm 22, Part 2 (vs. 21b-31)

1. David rejoices after being saved from mortal danger, expressing _____ and praise to God.
2. David’s praise grows and now extends beyond Israel to the ends of the _____ and declaring that the Lord is King over all the nations.

Part 2 Application

1. God turns our pain into _____ and our story into testimony.
2. God’s faithfulness is bigger than us and meant to be _____ on.

David’s Psalm Points to Something Greater

1. Is David really envisioning worldwide and forever praise for his deliverance from his unspecified circumstances found in Vs. 1-21? The answer is yes and no.

2. God inspired this Psalm to contain remarkable _____ that points to the greatest saving work of God in history.
3. In the first century Jewish culture, when the first line of a Psalm was spoken, it was intended for the hearers to _____ the entire text of the Psalm.

Wonders of Psalm 22

1. Psalm 22 contains an astonishing number of biblical prophecies _____ by Christ.
 - Cry of abandonment (vs. 1)
 - Mocking and scorn (vs. 6-8).
 - Physical weakness (vs. 14).
 - Thirst (vs. 15)
 - Piercing hand and feet (vs. 16).
 - Public exposure (vs. 17).
 - Casting lots for clothing (vs. 18).
2. Psalm 22's use of the original Hebrew in its historical context points to deep truths often _____ by modern day readers.
 - The Hebrew word for worm that is used is referring to a specific type of worm, the _____ worm.
 - The crimson worm was used in ancient dye production, and its crimson secretions were used to dye the _____ garments used in the Tabernacle.
 - Jesus even claiming He is a worm, He is claiming an _____ with a priestly role.
 - There is further evidence that Isaiah is using the imagery of the crimson worm itself, because the scarlet dye that the crimson worm secretes leaves a crimson stain that fades to _____ as it dries, usually in three days.
 - This worm literally climbs up a _____ prior to secreting the crimson dye.
3. Psalm 22 reveals the purpose of Christ's suffering, sacrifice, and resurrection is to lead to global and unending _____.
 - Jesus fully identifies with _____ (brothers).
 - Jesus is the _____ between God and man which means that Jesus is the true worship leader of His people.
 - It is Jesus who is telling of God's great name to His _____ and singing and praising in the midst of the congregation.
 - If Christ is our Savior and Lord, and He sings and praises God, what excuse do we have not to sing our hearts when we worship together?
 - The more we learn about God, the more it will lead us to _____.
 - He has done it = It is _____.
 - Jesus' last word on the cross means it is completed, it has been accomplished, paid in full.