

PSALM 13; June 17; The LORD Will Consider & Hear Me

ANALYSIS:

1. How does David begin the four questions that he asks the LORD?

2. Match these phrases to the four questions: (a) his feeling of despair over daily sorrows ____, (b) his feeling of loneliness because he feels God has forgotten him ____, (c) his feeling of injustice because his enemy seems to have the upper hand ____, (d) his disappointment because he thinks the LORD does not see his trouble ____.

3. What are three words of the positive request David asks God to do?

4. What does David not want his enemies to do? _____

5. What blessings has David received from the LORD for which he rejoices and sings? _____

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

This Psalm begins with David in four fold painful despair and sorrow. He cries out for the LORD to “consider and hear” him. He explains he doesn't want his enemies to rejoice over his death or defeat. Having cast his burden upon the LORD, he ends on a most triumphant note recognizing the LORD “hath dealt bountifully” with him.

Let us practice “casting all your care upon him, for he careth for you” (1 Pet 5:7), believing Him Who said, “I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee” (Heb 13:5b). “Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved” (Ps 55:22).

“For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need (Heb 4:15-16).

HELP:

1. How long (vs 1-2).
2. (a) with question 3, (b) with 1, (c) with 4, (d) with 2.
3. Consider and hear, and/or lighten mine eyes (v 3).
4. Say they have prevailed against him, and rejoice when he is moved (v 4).
5. Thy mercy, Thy salvation, He had dealt bountifully with him (vs 5-6).