

## PSALM 30

Intro: Note the title: "A Psalm of David. A song at the dedication of the Temple."

- A. Temple would be built at the time of Solomon.
  - B. This Psalm was probably written for the dedication. So, let's examine . . .
    1. 2 Sam. 24:1ff ; 1 Chron. 21:1-22:10 - "incited David"
    2. Recall David's words from 1 Sam. 17:45.
    3. Note 2 Chron. 3:1 then Gen. 22:1-2.
- Verse 1 "...have drawn me up..." - as water is drawn up from a well. David was lifted from despair and death. Would this not apply to us at times?
- Verse 2 "...you have healed me." Not just physical healing, but healing from the depths of despair. Ever been there?
- Verse 3 "Sheol" - the grave. Death.
- Verse 4 "Saints" - includes us. People made holy through faith. Those who have been set apart. Eph. 1:3-7.
- Verse 5 "anger is but for a moment, and his favor for a lifetime." (or, "for life") - The Law condemns. Because of Jesus the mercy and forgiveness are always there for the repentant - the Gospel.
- Verse 6 Confesses that he was trusting more in his wealth and success. What draws us away from the Lord?
- Verse 7 God blessed David, not David blessed David. God hid; turned His face away for a time. Worth a lot of serious thought, isn't it?
- Verse 8-9 He can still be of use in service to the Lord.
- Verse 10 His plea for help. Turns from self-reliance to trust in the Lord.
- Verse 11 Moves from sorrow to joy (clothing of repentance and sadness to clothing of joy and celebration). Dancing - cf. Ex. 15:20; 1 Sam. 6:12-15.
- Verse 12 "my glory" - has been described as "a poetic way of describing David's soul- the most glorious part of himself."