

PSALM 22

Intro: Psalm 22 is Messianic.

- A. Some consider that this is a prayer of David when he suffered from vicious and prolonged attacks from his enemies, while it also points to the suffering and exaltation of Jesus.
- B. However, let's approach it this way: L Pt. 1:10-12; Mt. 22:41-46, noting especially v 43. Keep in mind Ps. 2:7; 2 Sam. 7:1-17.
- C. Verses 1-22 - State of Humiliation.
Verses 23-31 -State of Exaltation.

State of Humiliation 1-21

- Verse 1 Mt. 27:46 - tortures of the damned. Mt. 7:23; 25:30,41,46.
- Verse 2 Gethsemane - Mt. 26:39,42,44; Lk.22:44.
- Verses 3-5 Messiah struggles to answer verse 1.
- Verses 6-8 Messiah struggles with circumstances.
 - A. Vs. 6 - Is. 53:3.
 - B. Vs. 7 - Mk15:20. "They make mouths at me..." (scoffed - Lk. 23:35). "They wag their heads..." - Mt. 27:43.
 - C. Vs. 8 - Mt. 27:43.
- Verses 9-11 Recalls blessings and then makes His plea. Cf. Ps. 139:13-16.
- Verses 12-13 Bulls of Bashan - rich, meadow country where cattle were exceptionally strong and healthy. Here, they represent enemies.
- Verses 14-15 Jn. 19:28,29; Ps. 69:21.
- Verses 16-18 Mt. 27:35; Lk. 23:34; Jn. 19:24.
- Verses 19-21 Pleas for deliverance. Verse 21b - sees the rescue.

State of Exaltation 22-31

- Verses 22-25 The reason for verses 22 & 23 is verse 24. Regarding verse 22 see Heb. 2:10-12.
- Verses 26-31 Jesus' Kingdom will spread.