

# “Love Lifted Me Recovery Ministries”

## Favorite Psalms Bible Study - Part 2

### Psalm 49:1-9 Lesson #1

\*\*INSTRUCTIONS: Read the entire section of Scripture in Psalms before starting to look up the other Scripture verses and filling in the blanks. Pray and ask the Holy Spirit to give you understanding as you read God's word. Most Scriptures are from the New King James Version.

1-4 Hear this, all you peoples; **give ear, all you inhabitants of the world**, both low and high, rich and poor together. My mouth shall speak wisdom, and the meditation of my heart shall bring understanding. **I will incline my ear to a PROVERB; I will disclose my DARK SAYING** on the harp.

•**Psalm 78:1-3** “Give \_\_\_\_\_, O My \_\_\_\_\_, to My law; incline your \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ of My mouth. I will \_\_\_\_\_ My \_\_\_\_\_ in a \_\_\_\_\_; I will utter dark \_\_\_\_\_ of old, which we have heard and known, and our fathers have told us.”

**Definition: “I will incline my ear to a PROVERB; I will disclose my DARK SAYING”** – This is a prophecy concerning Jesus and the type of teaching He would do. Jesus spoke to the multitudes in parables, on purpose, in order to hide the real spiritual truth from **those who weren't really interested in following Him**, but the meaning could be discerned by those people who really did want to know the truth and follow Jesus. **A parable is a short story to illustrate a spiritual truth.** A parable has one main point, and we are not supposed to take every detail and make a doctrine out of it. Calling a proverb a “dark saying” as it does here, merely means that the truth of the story is obscured (“hidden by darkness”) to the unbelieving, sort of like a riddle, and only able to be **discovered by the TRUE believers in Christ.**

•**Mark 4:2** “Then He \_\_\_\_\_ them many things in \_\_\_\_\_, and said to them in His \_\_\_\_\_.”

•**Mark 4:10-13** “But when He was alone, those around Him with the twelve \_\_\_\_\_ Him about the \_\_\_\_\_. And He said to them, ‘To you it has been given to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_; but to those who are \_\_\_\_\_, all things come in \_\_\_\_\_, so that “Seeing they may see and not \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ they may not \_\_\_\_\_; lest they should turn, and their sins be forgiven them.”’ And He said to them, ‘Do you not \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_? How then will you \_\_\_\_\_ all the \_\_\_\_\_?’”

5 **Why should I FEAR in the DAYS of EVIL**, when the iniquity at my heels surrounds me?

•**Psalm 23:4-5** “Yea, though I \_\_\_\_\_ through the \_\_\_\_\_ of the shadow of \_\_\_\_\_, I will \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_; Your rod and Your staff they \_\_\_\_\_ me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my \_\_\_\_\_; You anoint my head with oil; my cup runs over.”

•**Proverbs 1:33** “But whoever listens to \_\_\_\_\_ will dwell \_\_\_\_\_, and will be \_\_\_\_\_, without \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.”

•**Psalm 34:4 & 6** “I sought the Lord, and He heard me, and \_\_\_\_\_ me from \_\_\_\_\_ my \_\_\_\_\_. This poor man cried out, and the \_\_\_\_\_ heard him, and \_\_\_\_\_ him out of \_\_\_\_\_ his \_\_\_\_\_.”

**Definition: “Why should I FEAR in the DAYS of EVIL”** – The “days of evil” just means the times

we are living in. It seems like there is ALWAYS something bad, scary, and uncertain going on, no matter what era we are living in. God has promised to take care of us and get us through even the most trying and dangerous times and situations. The rest of verse 5 says, "when the iniquity at my heels surrounds me", which would mean **being fearful that God will not forgive all your sins** (iniquity means sins, sinful behavior). God has also promised to forgive us of ALL our sins and iniquities through Jesus Christ, so **if you have received Jesus as your Lord and Savior, ALL your sins are forgiven, and there is NO reason to FEAR.**

• **Psalm 27:1** "The Lord is my \_\_\_\_\_ and my salvation; whom shall I \_\_\_\_\_? The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be \_\_\_\_\_?"

• **Colossians 1:12-14** "Giving thanks unto the Father, who has \_\_\_\_\_ us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in \_\_\_\_\_; he has delivered us from the power of \_\_\_\_\_, and has \_\_\_\_\_ us into the kingdom of the Son of His love; in whom we have redemption through His \_\_\_\_\_, even the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_."

• **Acts 26:18** "To \_\_\_\_\_ their \_\_\_\_\_, and to turn them from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_, and from the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ to God, that they may receive \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by \_\_\_\_\_ in Me (Jesus)."

• **I John 1:5-7** "This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is \_\_\_\_\_ and in Him is no \_\_\_\_\_ at all. If we say that we have \_\_\_\_\_ with Him, and walk in \_\_\_\_\_, we \_\_\_\_\_ and do not practice the \_\_\_\_\_. But if we \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ as He is in the \_\_\_\_\_, we have fellowship with one another, and the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ Christ His Son \_\_\_\_\_ us from \_\_\_\_\_."

• **I John 4:17-18** "\_\_\_\_\_ has been \_\_\_\_\_ among us in this: that we may have \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_; because as He is, so are we in this world. There is no \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_; but perfect \_\_\_\_\_ casts out \_\_\_\_\_, because \_\_\_\_\_ involves torment (judgment, punishment). But he who \_\_\_\_\_ has \_\_\_\_\_ been made perfect in \_\_\_\_\_."

**Definition: "Of whom shall I be AFRAID?"** – If God is on our side, and is our Defender, who can come against us? They may try, but they will ultimately fail, because God is our Protector. We do not need to be afraid of anyone or anything as long as we are walking rightly with the Lord.

• **Psalm 34:7 & 19-20** "The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord encamps all around those that fear (reverence) Him, and \_\_\_\_\_ them." (Verses 19-20) "Many are the afflictions of the righteous; but the \_\_\_\_\_ him \_\_\_\_\_ of them \_\_\_\_\_. He guards all his bones; not one of them is broken."

• **Psalm 86:5 & 15** "For You, Lord, are \_\_\_\_\_, and ready to \_\_\_\_\_; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon You." "You, O Lord, are a God \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, long-suffering (patient), and plenteous in \_\_\_\_\_ and truth."

• **Hebrews 13:5-6** "...He Himself has said, 'I will \_\_\_\_\_ leave you, nor \_\_\_\_\_ you', so that we may boldly say, 'The Lord is my \_\_\_\_\_, and I will \_\_\_\_\_'....."

6-9 **Those who TRUST in their WEALTH and BOAST in the multitude of their RICHES, none of them can by any means REDEEM his brother, nor give to God a RANSOM for him – for the REDEMPTION of their SOUL is COSTLY, and it shall cease forever – that he should continue to live eternally, and not see the pit.**

• **I Timothy 6:17-19** "Command those who are \_\_\_\_\_ in this present age

\_\_\_\_\_ to be \_\_\_\_\_, nor to \_\_\_\_\_ in uncertain  
\_\_\_\_\_ but in the living \_\_\_\_\_, who gives us richly all things to enjoy.  
Let them do good, that they be \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, ready  
to \_\_\_\_\_, willing to \_\_\_\_\_, storing up for themselves a good  
foundation for the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.”

**Definition: “NOT to be HAUGHTY, nor to TRUST in UNCERTAIN RICHES but in the LIVING GOD”**

– Haughty means proud, prideful, arrogant. Paul is advising Timothy to warn members of his church, if they are rich, **not to be proud and think they are better than others, and not to think that their MONEY will save them.** Our trust and hope should ONLY be in GOD Himself, not in what material things we have here on earth.

● **Proverbs 6:16-19** “These six things the Lord \_\_\_\_\_, yes, seven are an abomination to Him: a \_\_\_\_\_ look, a \_\_\_\_\_ tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises \_\_\_\_\_, feet that are swift in running to evil, a \_\_\_\_\_ witness who \_\_\_\_\_, and one who sows discord among brethren.”

● **James 4:3-4 & 6** “You \_\_\_\_\_ and do not \_\_\_\_\_, because you \_\_\_\_\_ amiss (with wrong motives), that you may spend it on your pleasures (for your own desires). You adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity (hatred) with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.” (Verse 6) “.....Therefore He says, “God \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_, but gives grace to the \_\_\_\_\_.”

● **1 Peter 5:5-7** “God \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_, but gives \_\_\_\_\_ to the humble. \_\_\_\_\_ yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time, casting \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ (worry, anxiety, FEAR) upon Him, because He \_\_\_\_\_ for you.”

● **1 Timothy 6:9-10** “But those who desire to be \_\_\_\_\_ fall into \_\_\_\_\_ and a snare, and into many foolish and harmful \_\_\_\_\_ which \_\_\_\_\_ men in \_\_\_\_\_ and perdition. For the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ is a root of all kinds of \_\_\_\_\_, for which some have strayed from the \_\_\_\_\_ in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many \_\_\_\_\_.”

**Definition: “The LOVE of MONEY is a root of all kinds of EVIL”** – This Scripture does NOT say that money is evil, but **the LOVE of that money** is what brings about many kinds of evil and troubles in a person’s life.

● **Psalms 52:7** “Here is the man who did \_\_\_\_\_ make \_\_\_\_\_ his \_\_\_\_\_, but \_\_\_\_\_ in the abundance of his \_\_\_\_\_, and strengthened himself in his wickedness.”

● **Psalms 62:10** “Do not trust in oppression, nor vainly hope in robbery; if \_\_\_\_\_ increase, do \_\_\_\_\_ set your \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_.”

**Definition: “REDEEM his brother, nor give to God a RANSOM for him”** – No amount of money, **not even the richest person in the world, can PAY for the SINS of another person and REDEEM their soul from hell.** Only Jesus’ death on the cross and His shedding His blood for us can redeem us and save us from our sins and from eternal punishment in hell.

● **Job 36:18-19** “Because there is wrath, beware lest He take you away with one blow; for a large \_\_\_\_\_ would \_\_\_\_\_ help you avoid it. Will your \_\_\_\_\_, or all the mighty forces, \_\_\_\_\_ you from \_\_\_\_\_?”

● **Ephesians 1:7** “In Him we have \_\_\_\_\_ through His \_\_\_\_\_,

the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace.”

● **Colossians 1:14** “In whom we have \_\_\_\_\_ through His \_\_\_\_\_, even the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.”

● **Acts 20:28** “Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which He has \_\_\_\_\_ with his own \_\_\_\_\_.”

● **Leviticus 17:11** “For the life of the flesh is in the \_\_\_\_\_; and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your \_\_\_\_\_: for it is the \_\_\_\_\_ that makes an atonement for the soul.”

● **Hebrews 9:12 & 14** (Verse 12) “Not with the blood of goats and calves (the Old Testament sacrifices), but with His own \_\_\_\_\_ He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal \_\_\_\_\_ [for us].”

(Verse 14) “How much more shall the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ, who through the eternal \_\_\_\_\_ offered Himself without spot (without sin) to God, purge your conscience from dead works to \_\_\_\_\_ the living God?”

● **1 John 1:7** “But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ His Son \_\_\_\_\_ us from all \_\_\_\_\_.”

● **Romans 3:24-25a** “Being justified freely by His \_\_\_\_\_ through the \_\_\_\_\_ that is in Christ Jesus, whom God set forth to be a propitiation by His \_\_\_\_\_, through faith...”

**Definition: “REDEMPTION”** — The act of redeeming, **buying back, freeing from captivity** by paying of a RANSOM. **Jesus PAID, with His blood**, for us to be FREED from the CAPTIVITY of SIN.

**Definition: “PROPITIATION”** — Something that gains the favor or goodwill of someone else. **The sacrifice of Jesus on the cross GAINED GOD’S GOOD WILL AND FAVOR** for us, so that we can enter into RELATIONSHIP with Him.

**Definition: “The REDEMPTION of their SOUL is COSTLY, and it shall cease forever”** – The Amplified Bible translates this verse as **“For the ransom of a life is too costly, and the price one can pay can never suffice (be enough)”**. Again, **only the PRICE that Jesus PAID on the cross** by shedding His BLOOD for us can PAY for our redemption and salvation. **No human being can ever pay for their sins or another person’s sins.**

● **1 Peter 2:24** “Who \_\_\_\_\_ bore (took away) our \_\_\_\_\_ in His own

\_\_\_\_\_ on the tree (cross), that we, having died to sins, might live for \_\_\_\_\_ — by whose stripes (wounds) you were healed.”

● **1 John 3:5** “And you know that He was manifested to \_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_, and in Him there is no \_\_\_\_\_.”

● **Titus 3:3-7** “For we ourselves were also once \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, deceived, serving various \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, living in malice and envy, hateful and \_\_\_\_\_ one another. But when the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ of God our Savior toward man appeared, \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_ of righteousness which we have done, but according to His \_\_\_\_\_ He \_\_\_\_\_ us, by the washing of regeneration (being born again) and renewing of the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us abundantly through \_\_\_\_\_ Christ our Savior, that having been \_\_\_\_\_ by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of \_\_\_\_\_ life.”