

# “Love Lifted Me Recovery Ministries”

## Favorite Psalms Bible Study - Part 1

### Psalm 27:8-14

### Lesson #8

\*\*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.

8-10 **When You said, “SEEK MY FACE,”** my heart said, “Your face, Lord, I will seek.” **Do not hide Your face from me; do NOT turn Your servant away in ANGER;** You have been my help; do not leave me nor forsake me, O God of my salvation. **When my father and my mother FORSAKE me, then the Lord will TAKE CARE of ME.**

• **Joshua 1:5** “No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life; as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not \_\_\_\_\_ you nor \_\_\_\_\_ you.”

• **Deuteronomy 31:6** “Be \_\_\_\_\_ and of good \_\_\_\_\_, do not \_\_\_\_\_ nor be \_\_\_\_\_ of them; for the \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_, He is the One who goes with you. He will \_\_\_\_\_ leave you nor \_\_\_\_\_ you.”

**Definition:** – “**Do NOT HIDE Your FACE from me; do NOT turn Your servant away in ANGER**”

– The expression “**SEEK GOD’S FACE**” means to DESIRE a CLOSER RELATIONSHIP with the Lord. When David says, “**Do NOT HIDE Your FACE from me**”, it means that WE, David, or anybody does NOT want to feel that God has turned His back on us, or that He will not help us. Some people think that God is ALWAYS MAD at them, because they have sin in their life. God hates sin, but **He is also merciful and SLOW to ANGER.** As believers in Jesus Christ, we can have CONFIDENCE that our Heavenly Father will ALWAYS WELCOME US and hear our prayers, **unless there is some SIN in our lives that is keeping us away from Him.** When we become AWARE that there is sin in our lives, **we need to CONFESS it to God, and He will forgive us,** and we are RESTORED to a RIGHT relationship with Him again.

• **I John 1:9** “If we \_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_, He is \_\_\_\_\_ and just to \_\_\_\_\_ us our sins and to \_\_\_\_\_ us from \_\_\_\_\_ unrighteousness.”

• **Psalm 69:17** “And do \_\_\_\_\_ Your \_\_\_\_\_ from Your servant, for I am in trouble; \_\_\_\_\_ me speedily”

• **Psalm 86:5 & 15** “For You, \_\_\_\_\_, are \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_; and \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ to all those who call upon You. (Verse 15) “But You, O Lord, are a God \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, longsuffering, and \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ and truth.”

• **Joel 2:13** “So rend your heart, and not your garments; \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_, for He is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_, and of great \_\_\_\_\_.”

• **Nahum 1:3** “The Lord is \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, and will not at all acquit the wicked..... “

11-12 **TEACH me Your way, O Lord, and LEAD ME in a SMOOTH PATH,** because of my enemies.

Do not deliver me to the will of my adversaries; **for false witnesses have risen against me,** and such as breathe out violence.

• **Proverbs 3:5-6** “\_\_\_\_\_ in the Lord with all your \_\_\_\_\_, and do \_\_\_\_\_ lean (rely, trust) on your own \_\_\_\_\_; in all your ways

acknowledge \_\_\_\_\_, and He shall \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_.”

• **Psalm 32:8** “I will \_\_\_\_\_ you and \_\_\_\_\_ you in the \_\_\_\_\_ you should go; I will \_\_\_\_\_ you with My eye.”

**Definition: “Teach me Your WAY, O Lord, and LEAD ME in a SMOOTH PATH”** – When we follow God’s teachings and **ALLOW Him to teach us and guide us**, our paths are made smooth, and He directs our pathways through life. **The OPPOSITE** of having a smooth path through life by following the Lord, is **“the way of the transgressors is HARD” - meaning those who transgress God’s law (going against His law) will have a hard life and a tough road ahead.**

• **Psalm 23:3** “He restores my soul; He \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ for His name’s sake.

• **Psalm 31:3** “For You are my \_\_\_\_\_ and my \_\_\_\_\_; therefore, for Your name’s sake, \_\_\_\_\_ me and \_\_\_\_\_ me.”

• **Psalm 5:8** “\_\_\_\_\_ me, O Lord, in Your \_\_\_\_\_ because of my \_\_\_\_\_; make Your \_\_\_\_\_ before my face.”

• **Psalm 143:8 & 10** “Cause me to hear Your \_\_\_\_\_; in the morning; for in You do I trust: cause me to know the \_\_\_\_\_ in which I should \_\_\_\_\_; for I lift up my soul unto You. \_\_\_\_\_ me to do Your \_\_\_\_\_; for You are my God: Your Spirit is good; \_\_\_\_\_ into the land of uprightness.”

**Psalm 86:11** “\_\_\_\_\_ me Your \_\_\_\_\_, O Lord; I will \_\_\_\_\_ in Your truth; unite my heart to fear (reverence) Your name.”

• **Proverbs 13:14-15** “The \_\_\_\_\_ of the wise (God’s wisdom) is a fountain of \_\_\_\_\_, to turn one away from the snares of \_\_\_\_\_. Good understanding gains favor, but the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_.”

13 I would have lost heart, **UNLESS I had believed that I would SEE the GOODNESS of the LORD in the LAND of the LIVING.**

• **Psalm 31:19** “Oh, how great is Your \_\_\_\_\_, which You have laid up for them that fear (reverence) You; which You have wrought for them that \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ before the sons of men.”

• **Psalm 34:8** “Oh, taste and \_\_\_\_\_ that the Lord is \_\_\_\_\_; blessed is the man who \_\_\_\_\_ in You.”

• **Exodus 33:18-19** “And [Moses] said, ‘Please, show me Your \_\_\_\_\_. Then He said, ‘I will make all My \_\_\_\_\_ pass before you, and I will proclaim the name of the \_\_\_\_\_ before you. I will be \_\_\_\_\_ to whom I will be \_\_\_\_\_, and I will have \_\_\_\_\_ on whom I will have \_\_\_\_\_.’”

• **Exodus 34:5-7** “And the Lord descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_. And the Lord passed by before him and proclaimed, ‘The \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ God, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, longsuffering, and abundant in \_\_\_\_\_ and truth, keeping \_\_\_\_\_ for thousands, \_\_\_\_\_ iniquity and transgression, and by no means clearing the guilty.’”

• **I Chronicles 16:34** “O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is \_\_\_\_\_; for His \_\_\_\_\_ endures forever.”

**Definition: “I would SEE the GOODNESS of the LORD in the LAND of the LIVING”** – When it says **“in the LAND of the LIVING”** it means here on this earth, and not just waiting until we get to heaven. Yes, we have a lot of promises from God for when we get to heaven, but we also have a

lot of promises for our LIFE here on EARTH.

•**Philippians 4:19** "But my God shall \_\_\_\_\_ all your \_\_\_\_\_ according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus."

•**Psalms 23:1** "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall \_\_\_\_\_ be in \_\_\_\_\_."

•**Matthew 6:31-33** "Therefore, do \_\_\_\_\_, saying, 'What shall we \_\_\_\_\_?' or, 'What shall we \_\_\_\_\_?' or 'With what shall we \_\_\_\_\_ ourselves? For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly \_\_\_\_\_ knows that you \_\_\_\_\_ all these \_\_\_\_\_. But seek \_\_\_\_\_ the kingdom of God, and His righteousness, and \_\_\_\_\_ these \_\_\_\_\_ shall be added (given) unto \_\_\_\_\_."

14 Wait on the Lord; **be of GOOD COURAGE**, and **He will strengthen your heart**; wait, I say, on the Lord!

•**Isaiah 26:3** "You will keep him in perfect \_\_\_\_\_, whose mind is stayed (focused) on \_\_\_\_\_."

•**John 14:27** "\_\_\_\_\_ I leave with you. My \_\_\_\_\_ I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not \_\_\_\_\_ your heart be troubled, neither \_\_\_\_\_ it be \_\_\_\_\_."

•**Philippians 4:6-7** "Be \_\_\_\_\_ for nothing, but in \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_ and supplication, with \_\_\_\_\_, let your requests be made known to God; and the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ \_\_\_\_\_."

**Definition: "Be of GOOD COURAGE"** – This is the same as when Jesus tells us to "**be of good CHEER.**" We are to keep our eyes focused on Jesus, and **totally RELY on His power and strength** to help us and see us through the problems in life. It is the opposite of being fearful and afraid.

•**Joshua 1: 7 & 9** "Only be \_\_\_\_\_ and very \_\_\_\_\_, that you may observe to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do \_\_\_\_\_ turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go."

(Verse 9) "Have I not commanded you? Be \_\_\_\_\_ and of \_\_\_\_\_; do \_\_\_\_\_ be \_\_\_\_\_, nor be dismayed, for the \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ is with you wherever you go."

•**John 16:33** "These things I have spoken to you, that in \_\_\_\_\_ you may have \_\_\_\_\_. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of \_\_\_\_\_ cheer, I have \_\_\_\_\_ the world."

•**Matthew 8:25-26** "Then His disciples came to Him and awoke Him, saying, 'Lord, save us! We are perishing!' But He said to them, 'Why are you \_\_\_\_\_? O you of little \_\_\_\_\_?' Then He arose and rebuked the winds and the sea. And there was a great calm."

•**Matthew 9:22** "But Jesus turned around, and when He saw her He said, 'Be of \_\_\_\_\_, daughter, your \_\_\_\_\_ has made you well.' And the woman was made well from that hour."

**Definition: "I have OVERCOME the WORLD"** – When He says that He has "overcome the world," part of the meaning in the original Greek is "**I have deprived it of power to harm you.**" The storm may be raging all around you, but **you are SAFE in Jesus.** He has deprived that situation of whatever harm it might have done you. You may think it is harming you while you're going through it, but because God is causing ALL things to work together for your good, and to make you more like

Christ (Romans 8:28-29), it is actually working for your eternal benefit, not harm.

• **Romans 8:28-29** “And we know that \_\_\_\_\_ things \_\_\_\_\_ together for \_\_\_\_\_ to those who \_\_\_\_\_, to those who are the called according to His \_\_\_\_\_. For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ of His Son.....”

**Definition: “ALL THINGS WORK TOGETHER for GOOD”** — Because God is all-knowing, all-powerful, all-loving, and all-wise, we can TRUST HIM to know what He is doing when He ALLOWS certain things to happen in our lives. Does that include the “bad” things that happen in our lives that are the CONSEQUENCES of our own actions - our wrong choices and sins? Yes, the Lord loves us enough to even **work these things for our GOOD**, if we will let Him.

• **Psalm 37:23-24** “The \_\_\_\_\_ of a good man are \_\_\_\_\_ by the Lord, and He \_\_\_\_\_ in his way. Though he \_\_\_\_\_, he shall \_\_\_\_\_ be utterly (completely, finally) cast down; for the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ him with His hand.”

**Definition: “WAIT on the LORD”** – One of the hardest things for us to do, imperfect sinful creatures that we are, is **to wait for God to answer our prayers according to His wisdom and His timing**. We are so impatient, and we want what we want, and we want it now! There is an expression used in the Bible called “**waiting on the Lord**”, and we must learn to practice that kind of waiting. Sometimes God answers our prayers immediately, but other times there is a greater lesson to be learned in the “waiting on God” period, and so He does not give us an immediate answer. The **word translated “wait” also has the meaning of “hope” and “lean on” God**. We are not supposed to just wait on God in a vacuum, doing nothing, but **we are to trust and lean on Him**, trusting that He is working everything out in His perfect timing. Waiting on the Lord is an act of obedience. Waiting on God’s timing teaches us to trust God and allows “patience to have its perfect work” in our lives (James 1:2-4). Patience, the fruit of the Holy Spirit, will perform surgery, cutting out character defects like a scalpel, if we allow it to do its perfect work. We need to learn to obey God without analyzing the situation (“leaning on our own understanding” - Prov. 3:5), looking for other options, worrying (fretting), or whining and complaining (see Phil. 4:6-7, I Thess. 5:18).

• **James 1:2-4** “My brethren, count it all \_\_\_\_\_ when you fall into various \_\_\_\_\_, knowing that the \_\_\_\_\_ of your faith produces \_\_\_\_\_. But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be \_\_\_\_\_ and complete, lacking nothing.”

• **Proverbs 3:5** “\_\_\_\_\_ in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.”

• **Psalm 37:4-5** “Delight yourself also in the Lord, and He shall give you the desires of your heart. \_\_\_\_\_ your way to the Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ also in Him, and He shall \_\_\_\_\_ it to \_\_\_\_\_.”

• **Psalm 37:7-8** “\_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ patiently for Him; do \_\_\_\_\_ fret (worry) because of him who prospers in his way, because of the man who brings wicked schemes to pass. Cease from \_\_\_\_\_, and forsake wrath; do not fret – it only causes harm.”

• **Psalm 37:23-24** “The \_\_\_\_\_ of a righteous man are \_\_\_\_\_ by the \_\_\_\_\_, and He delights in his way. Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down; for the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ him with His hand.”

• **Psalm 25:3-5** “Indeed, let no one who \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ be ashamed; let those be ashamed who deal treacherously without cause. Show me Your ways, O Lord; teach me Your paths. Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my

salvation; on You I \_\_\_\_\_ all the \_\_\_\_\_.”

•**Psalm 37:34** “\_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_, and keep His way, and He shall exalt you to inherit the land....”