52 Days of Building a Second Wall of the Word and Wisdom

**Pray for Salvation**

Day 32 – June 14, 2013

**Psalm 119:81** “My soul languishes for Your salvation; I wait (hope) for Your word.”

The Hebrew word for **salvation** is **teshuah** –rescue; deliverance; help; safety; victory; set free.

Webster’s defines **salvation** as the act of saving; preservation from destruction, danger or great calamity. The redemption of man from the bondage of sin and liability to eternal death, and the conferring on him everlasting happiness. Deliverance from enemies. Remission of sins.

Without the salvation of the Lord, our souls would perish; but we can find hope in His Word.

All mankind needs salvation from eternal death. Our sins separate us from the Lord and condemn us to eternal damnation. But God, out of His love for us sent His Son to bring us salvation. To rescue us out of the pit of hell and bring us into His glorious presence for all eternity!

We also need salvation from the attacks of our enemies: the devil, the world, and our flesh. The devil was defeated when Christ died and rose from the dead. When we accepted the salvation of the Lord, the chains that bound us to the devil were unlocked and we were set free. Unfortunately many of us are still bound, walking around dragging unlocked chains.

We need salvation from the ongoing effects of living in this world. We need God’s daily cleansing and deliverance from the lure of the things of this world.

We need salvation from the sinfulness of our flesh. Our sins have been forgiven, but unfortunately we still sin. The Holy Spirit comes to strengthen us and to train us in righteousness, so we are set free from our fleshly desires. Deliverance comes as we call upon the Lord to set us free.

Salvation is powerful, bringing restoration to our souls. We need to be like David, and long for it to the point of languishing.

The word **languish** means: to lose strength or animation; to become dull, feeble or spiritless; to pine; to grow heavy; to wither; to fade; to grow dull; to be no longer active and vigorous.

**Psalm 42:1-2** “As the deer pants for the water brooks, so my soul pants for You, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God; when shall I come and appear before God?”

All too often we try to find salvation for our problems on our own, but without the Lord, we lose strength and are worse off. The answer to our cries for salvation is in the second part of our verse for today: “I wait for Your word.”

It is vital that we know the Word of God because it is full of the faithfulness of God to bring salvation to His people. It brings us hope that what we are going through is for a moment, and we will be closer to the Lord when it is over. The power of His salvation is clearly displayed bringing restoration to our souls. Do we long incessantly for His salvation in all of our trials and temptations? Do we long for His salvation for those who do not know it?

**Please Read Isaiah 62.**

**Isaiah 62:1** “For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not keep quiet, until her righteousness goes forth like brightness, and her salvation like a torch that is burning.”

Zion is a place where God positions Himself. Our position in Him is to pray until the hearts of all people come to their rightful place. God is looking for a resting place in His people, a place to dwell. Even though He loves all mankind, He can only rest in a heart that is filled with God in righteousness, justice, holiness, and peace. When we allow God to dwell in us, salvation burns like a torch in us; and all will see the fire of the dwelling place of God burn with passion for Him.

**Isaiah 62:6-7** “On your walls, O Jerusalem, I have appointed watchmen; all day and all night they will never keep silent. You who remind the LORD, take no rest for yourselves; and give Him no rest until He establishes and makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth.”

As we have found salvation, we must pray for the salvation of those who are still bound. God is setting His remnant as watchmen on the city walls to pray. He longs for all of His people to come and pray for the salvation of the lost; but we seem to be distracted and asleep. We have lost the fire of our salvation. We need to regain that passion and understand the overwhelming passion God has for us to come to this place.

He wants us to cry out to Him night and day, taking no rest for ourselves nor giving Him any rest from hearing our prayers until He makes Jerusalem a praise on the earth. God will make this happen, there is no doubt! Will you join the watchmen on the wall, and pray? We have been chosen for this in this hour.

The Lord's Watch is being established all over the world, with 24-hour houses of prayer. They are positioned in cities to pray for the city and nations, as well as developments in heaven itself.

In **verse 8-9**, the Lord swears by His right hand and by the arm of His strength that He surely will deliver and redeem us, bringing us salvation from our enemies. All those who gather to hear His voice in this hour will drink the living waters in the courts of His sanctuary.

**Isaiah 62:10** “Go through, go through the gates, clear the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, remove the stones, lift up a standard over the peoples.”

We are given Instructions in this verse. Notice that twice He repeats words of instruction, but they have slightly different meanings.

* **Go through**- move to the other side. We must step out in faith to build the wall of salvation with our prayers.
* **Go through the gates** -make an openingin the gates. Pray for all to repentand return to the Lord with a heart of love.
* **Clear the way** - make ready the wayfor the people to come to the Lord, with prophetic Words of encouragement.
* **Build up** - **bring together** the Body of Christ to come into unity with God.
* **Build** **up the** **highway** - build connections between churches, denominations, cities, and nations.
* **Remove the stones**- pray that every hindrance will be removed for all to come to salvation.
* **Lift up a standard over the peoples-** A standard is a flag that carries the name of the army you are in.The name of Jesus Christ must be lifted up in worship all over the land. His standard will be the rally point for all to gather and pray.

The Lord is calling us to step out in faith to follow His lead to pray for all the peoples of the earth. We must pray that the hearts of the lost will be open to receive the Lord, and pray for God’s people to have hearts of repentance and returning to their first love. As our prayers prepare the way, God will send His prophetic Word to strengthen and encourage. Our prayers will build up the Body of Christ by bringing us together in unity so we can be the voice to build up the spiritual highways of connection between churches, cities, and nations. As the Church and the lost are redeemed, the Lord will open up the doors for more watchmen to follow the instructions of the Lord.

**DIGGING DEEPER:**

Please read **Psalm 119:73-104.**

Continue to work on your memory verse, **Psalm 119:76**.