

Psalm 91 – Its Personal

[Psa 91:14-16 NASB95] 14 "Because he has loved Me, therefore I will deliver him; I will set him [securely] on high, because he has known My name. 15 "He will call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honor him. 16 "With a long life I will satisfy him And let him see My salvation."

- One the dramatic feature of this Psalm is the switch to 1st person seen in vv14-16.
- God interjects Himself in the Psalm to speak directly to those who trust in Him.
- Asbury Bible Commentary lists as one of the didactic Psalms.
- The "because" in this Psalm... New Bible Commentary
 - 1. loves me (the yearning love which clings to the loved one),
 - 2. 'knows my name' (lives with the Lord in the light of what he has revealed about himself)
 - 3. prayer (he will call).

What does God personally promise to do in our lives?

God personally promises to do these six things in our lives.

- I. I will answer you.
 - A. [Psa 118:5-7 NASB] 5 From [my] distress I called upon the LORD; The LORD answered me [and] [set me] in a large place. 6 The LORD is for me; I will not fear; What can man do to me? 7 The LORD is for me among those who help me; Therefore I will look [with satisfaction] on those who hate me.
 - B. Call on Him. He will answer. Put in a large place. No place for fear. The enemies will see it!
 - C. [Act 2:21 NASB] 21 'AND IT SHALL BE THAT EVERYONE WHO CALLS ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED.'
 - D. "SAVED" - to save, keep safe and sound, to rescue from danger or destruction (blueletterbible.org)
 - E. God will respond when you call on Him. He will answer and answer big.
- II. I will be with you.
 - A. God has not left you alone. God will come, when we call on Him!
 - B. [Mat 28:18-20 NASB] 18 And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."
 - C. [Isa 43:1-2 NASB] 1 But now, thus says the LORD, your Creator, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel, "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are Mine! 2 "When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; And through the rivers, they will not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be scorched, Nor will the flame burn you.
 - D. [Heb 13:5 NASB] 5 [Make sure that] your character is free from the love of money, being content with what you have; for He Himself has said, "I WILL NEVER DESERT YOU, NOR WILL I EVER FORSAKE YOU,"
 - E. You will never be alone, when you call on Him!
- III. I will deliver you.
 - A. It is Gods will to deliver you from trouble

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- B. [Psa 34:19 NASB] 19 Many are the afflictions of the righteous, But the LORD delivers him out of them all. **– not half of them, not most of them....no all of them**
- C. [2Ti 3:10-11 NASB] 10 Now you followed my teaching, conduct, purpose, faith, patience, love, perseverance, 11 persecutions, [and] sufferings, such as happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium [and] at Lystra; what persecutions I endured, and out of them all the Lord rescued me! **- it aint over yet....**
- D. [Mat 6:13 NASB] 13 'And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil. [For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.]
- E. Jesus taught us not to accept it, call on Him for deliverance.
- F. "Evil" - toils, annoyances, perils; of a time full of peril to Christian faith and steadfastness; causing pain and trouble (BLB)
- G. Call on Him, He will deliver you!
- IV. I will honor you.
- A. God not only want to be with, deliver you...next step is honor
- B. [Psa 113:7-9 NASB] 7 He raises the poor from the dust And lifts the needy from the ash heap, 8 To make [them] sit with princes, With the princes of His people. 9 He makes the barren woman abide in the house [As] a joyful mother of children. Praise the LORD! –
- C. [Jas 4:10 NASB] 10 Humble yourselves in the presence of the Lord, and He will exalt you.
- D. God wants to raise you up!
- V. I satisfy you with long life.
- A. NASB - Literally: length of days
- B. [Deu 6:2 NASB] 2 so that you and your son and your grandson might fear the LORD your God, to keep all His statutes and His commandments which I command you, all the days of your life, and that your days may be prolonged.
- C. [Heb 9:27 NASB] 27 And inasmuch as it is appointed for men to die once and after this [comes] judgment, **there is judgement after death, not an single appointed time.**
- D. śāba⁶ is often used figuratively to refer to age, as when one is "old and full of years" (1 Chr. 23:1) (Mounce)
- E. [2Ti 4:6-7 NASB] 6 For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. 7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith; **- finish your race, you have got work to do**
- F. Don't give in to the devil's lie that you have to die young
- G. Enjoy your life, fight for life, resist death and dying
- VI. I will let you see my salvation.
- A. NASB - Or, cause him to feast his eyes on
- B. Professor Cheyne observes, "is both an act and a state" - an act on God's part, a state on man's.
- C. [Exo 14:13-14 NASB] 13 But Moses said to the people, "Do not fear! Stand by and see the salvation of the LORD which He will accomplish for you today; for the Egyptians whom you have seen today, you will never see them again forever. 14 "The LORD will fight for you while you keep silent."
- D. [1Ti 4:8 NASB] 8 for bodily discipline is only of little profit, but godliness is profitable for all things, since it holds promise for the present life and [also] for the [life] to come.
- E. Here and the hereafter.

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- Hannah More says, "To preach privileges without specifying to whom they belong is like putting a letter in the post office without a direction."
- Spurgeon: "All the promises of Scripture are plainly directed to those to whom they belong. The direction put upon the promises of this Psalm is unmistakably clear and often repeated."
- These are for those who "call upon" Him!
- This fast is part of you calling on Him. He will answer!!!!