

**Faith Christian Fellowship**  
**August 13, 2017**  
**A Psalm for the Sabbath**  
**1: Praise is a Good Thing**

**TEXT:** Psalm 92

Psalm 92 is called a Psalm for the Sabbath. It tells us about the essence of worship in our corporate gatherings. We see the importance of the anointing and the defeat of the enemy, as well as the blessings of being planted and growing like trees. The first 4 verses set the tone for the essence of our “Celebrating the goodness” gatherings.

- ◆ In these four verses he describes the gamut of worship
  - ♥ 6 key words telling us the atmosphere of our gatherings:
    - ⇒ Give thanks *ya'da'h* literally to *use* (that is, hold out) *the hand*; especially to *revere* or *worship* (with extended hands); confess, praise, shoot, thanksgiving. Ps 75:1
    - ⇒ Sing praises *za'mar* properly to *touch* the strings or parts of a musical instrument, that is, *play* upon it; to make *music*, to *celebrate* in song and music: - give praise, sing forth praises, psalms. Ps 104:33
    - ⇒ Show forth *na'gad* to *manifest*; figuratively to *announce* (always by word of mouth to one present); specifically to *expose*, *predict*, *explain*, *praise*: certify, declare, profess, rehearse, report, shew (forth), speak, tell, utter. Ps 145:4
    - ⇒ Solemn sound *higga'yo'n* a *murmuring* sound, a musical notation similar to the modern *affettuoso* to indicate solemnity of movement) - device, Higgaion, meditation, solemn sound. Ps 19:14
    - ⇒ Made me glad *sa'mach* to *brighten* up, that is, *make blithe* or *gleesome*: - cheer up, be (make) glad, make joyful, be merry, (cause to, make to) rejoice. Ps 5:11
    - ⇒ Triumph *ra'nan* to *creak*, that is, to *shout* (usually for joy): - aloud for joy, cry out, be joyful, (greatly, make to) rejoice, (cause to) shout (for joy), (cause to) sing (aloud, for joy, out), triumph. Ps 32:11
  - ♥ He also tells us what is to be the subject, or emphasis of our worship:
    - ⇒ Thy Name, Oh Most High (El yon)
    - ⇒ Thy lovingkindness in the morning
    - ⇒ Thy faithfulness every night (Notice the place of music)

- ⇒ Thy work (already done)
- ⇒ The works of thy hands (the things you will do)

- ◆ There is a special visitation of God's tangible presence that is to accompany His people.
  - ♥ Moses was aware of this phenomenon: Ex 33:13-16
  - ♥ The Israelites were conscious of it (Psalm 22:3)
  - ♥ We see it in the promise of Jesus (Matt 18:20)
  - ♥ We see it manifest in Acts: 2:4; 4:31; 5:13; 10:44; 13:2; 16:26; 19:9-12

**The Song of the Lord:**

**Praise the Lord of Hosts, for He is good,  
 and His mercy endureth forever!!!**

- ♥ At the dedication of the temple of Solomon. 2 Chronicles 5:11-14; 2 Chronicles 7:1-4
- ♥ On the return from captivity, at the laying of the foundation of the new temple. The priesthood was restored and stood to minister. It brought tears to the eyes of the old men who could recall how it was in the days of yore. Ezra 3:10-13
- ♥ Jeremiah sees the future. He was still in prison, yet the Lord showed him a day when the temple would resound with the voice of the Bridegroom and the voice of the Bride. Jeremiah 33:10-11
- ♥ The classic: Jehoshaphat. 2 Chronicles 20
  - ⇒ The attack came because of the revival.
  - ⇒ he appointed singers unto the LORD, and that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army, and to say, Praise the LORD; for his mercy [endureth] for ever. (2 Chronicles 20:21)
  - ⇒ Note – they never saw the enemy until they were all dead.
  - ⇒ The praises of God sent forth the angels (ambushments = liars in wait), who caused confusion among the enemy and they destroyed each other

**Oh come, let us sing to the LORD! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms. For the LORD is the great God, And the great King above all gods.**

**(Psalms 95:1-3 NKJV)**