



MARCH 26

Passage: Psalm 119:25-32

Ever been in a bad way? Ever felt or even thought that life couldn't get any worse? We get the sense that the Psalmist (the person who writes this Psalm) feels that way in today's section. So big question...what do you ask or where do you turn when things go south?

TRUTH FOR TODAY: God's Word is alive and leads us to a grace filled life of action.

PRAY –Remember the ACTS method? Use that again before you dive into the passage today. Keep in mind. Before we ask God for things (Supplications), let us praise and thank Him!

READ & DIG. Read Psalm 119:25-32 (underline every reference to God's Word.)

Where do we turn when things go south. The Psalmist here turns to God. We see some bad **situations** today, we see some supplications (**requests**) today and we see **commitments** today.

This section oozes with a "help me" kind of pattern. But the writer doesn't stop there...he makes some declarations of what he will do as well.

Take a look at the **situations** we see here. **Look for them in verses 25, 28, 29.**

This dude is clinging to dust, melting away from sorrow and ever surrounded by false ways. Sounds familiar right?

Now look for the **requests**. Verses 25, 26, 27, 28, 29.....you see where this is going?

Yes...all but v.32 has a request. But v.32 kind of sounds like one....it's an expectation of what God can and will do with a heart that seeks him. What can we learn from this?

Ask of God, then follow Him and watch as He works in ways only He can!

What about those **commitments**? How will the psalmist follow God in the midst of the situation? Can you find the commitments? Put the verse numbers here: V.

Here's what I found: I will meditate – I have chosen the way of faithfulness – I set – I cling – I will run. You see, asking of God can never be separate from seeking God and following Him. Too often we ask God to work while we plan to sit on the sidelines as if to watch Him. Don't be a sitter, be a doer, a follower, a person of action. Work as God works!

Apply & GO

Today's passage is filled with some tough situations which are met with some heart felt requests. If we end there it's the typical prayer. "God, I'm in trouble, help me!"

Now God hears and responds to this prayer but is this the best action?

NO! The Psalmist leads us to see that these things should be followed by action.

I HAVE – I SET – I CLING – I WILL RUN. Does this describe your pursuit of God in Christ Jesus?

Is God your focus? Is Christ your finish line? Or is God some genie in a bottle here to serve you?

GOD'S WORD IS ALIVE AND LEADS US TO AS GRACE FILLED LIFE OF ACTION.