

## **"THERE'S A BLESSING IN THE MORNING"**

**Psalm 5:3** - My voice you shall hear in the morning, O Lord;  
In the morning I will direct it to You, And I will look up.



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*The Holman Old Testament Commentary suggests that David, the author of (Psalm 5) is a man who models for us a God-saturated life. In this Psalm we catch a glimpse of what it means for a person to be dominated by a lofty, transcendent view of God and who, in turn knew the full-passionate man who sought God's heart. Here David proves to be a worthy model for believers today of a life totally abandoned to God. Morning represents a fresh start, a new beginning, and a clean slate! Let's observe what David does first thing in the morning and see what spiritual disciplines we can glean from him!*

*The First thing we observe is David's PASSION - With a passionate appeal David began this Psalm by pleading, "Listen to my cry for help my King and my God." Intense emotion and energy poured out of David's heart in his relationship toward God as he pleaded with the Lord for a hearing. "Consider my meditation" reveals his strong devotion to and hunger for God. As the anointed king of Israel, David understood that God is King over all. No, David was not perfect – he was an adulterer and a murderer, but he knew how to reach God's heart through his praise and worship! Understand that your Purpose is birthed out of your Passion! Nothing should take precedence over your worship!*

*The Second thing we observe is David's POSTURE - David's heart was eager and persistent as he rose early in the morning to pray. Before David could begin the day, he had to converse with God. He declared, "In the morning I lay my request before you." Seeking God in the early part of the day reveals an energetic heart that was aggressively pursuing the lord. I just need to ask, what are you aggressively pursuing first thing in the morning? Before you do anything else, you should commune with God – worship and adore Him, confess your sins of omission as well as commission, then thank Him for what He's already done, what He's doing even now and what He shall do in the future. Then ask Him to order your steps, to guide your feet, and to direct your path. Acknowledge the fact that it was not your alarm that woke you up but it was His finger of love that touched you and caused you to see another day filled with new mercies, sufficient grace and unmerited favor!*

*The Third thing we observe is David's POSSIBILITIES - As David prayed he waited in expectation, believing that God would answer him according to His perfect timing and will. We are talking about possibilities here! -- Everything you have prayed for. Everything you have hoped for. Everything you have fasted for. You are waiting with great anticipation for God to show up and answer your prayer! So stop looking down at where you are and begin to look up to where you want to be! Do not let your past dictate your future! In the morning when you rise, your hope rises, your faith rises, your confidence rises, your peace rises, your possibility rises, your joy rises, your dream rises, and your expectation rises! Hold on through the night because THERE IS A BLESSING IN THE MORNING!*

***BBlessed!***

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