



Psalms 69

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## MAN OF SORROWS

### Introduction:

Superscription: "For the choir director; according to Shoshannim. A Psalm of David."

***David's suffering was a foreshadowing of Jesus Christ who would be hated and rejected by His own people.***

### I. THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS (69:1-18)

A. David's Complaining (vs. 1-4) - "I am come into deep waters"

B. David's Confession (vs. 5-12) - "my wrongs are not hidden"

***When you feel overwhelmed by the undeserved hatred of the world you may cry out to God for deliverance.***

"zeal for Your house has consumed me" (Mark 11:15-17; John 2:14-17)

***Your appeal to the Lord will be most effective if you are being scorned for your zeal for the Lord and not for your own sins.***

C. David's Craving (vs. 13-18) - "I am in trouble, hear me"

***You may petition the Lord for deliverance because of His great lovingkindness to those who are His.***

### II. THE VOICE OF ONE CURSING IN THE WILDERNESS (69:19-28)

A. David's Conspirators (vs. 19-21)

***You may rest in the certainty that God is aware of your treatment by the world.***

"They also gave me gall for my food and for my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink." (Matthew 27:34-48; Mark 15:23, 36; Luke 23:36; John 19:29)

B. David's Curse (vs. 22-28)

***It's okay to pray with boldness that God will vindicate you by striking down the wicked.***

### **III. THE VOICE OF ONE CALLING OUT IN THE WILDERNESS (69:29-36)**

A. David's Confidence (vs. 29-34)

***Praise for God's deliverance and restoration may be given in anticipation of the answer because of our confidence in Him.***

B. David's Celebration (vs. 35-36)

#### **Conclusion:**

- 1) Zeal for Lord and His ways will produce opposition from His enemies and indifference from your friends.
- 2) Opposition borne for the Lord will result in His grace to you and special strengthening.
- 3) Faithfulness to the Lord will result in the triumph of faith and the destruction of evil.

#### **Food for Thought:**

- 1) Explain how this psalm is about David's experience but, at the same time, is about Jesus and about me.
- 2) What are the clear connections between this psalm and Jesus' suffering and crucifixion?
- 3) What is the proper place and utility of imprecatory prayer?
- 4) How do/should we celebrate God's deliverance - both temporal and eschatological?