

## Psalms Chapter 41 Verses 1-2; He That Considereth The Poor

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David

**Ps 41:1 "Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the LORD will deliver him in time of trouble."**

**"He that considereth the poor"** is a prophetic picture of the coming of Jesus Christ. How do we see that? Why did Jesus come from heaven, and the throne of God, to dwell in a body of flesh? He came in consideration of poor sinners, who had a sin debt that they could not pay. The scripture tells us in **2Co 8:9 "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich."** How did Jesus become poor? Jesus had to leave the glory of His heavenly home and position on the throne of God to take on a body of flesh and become a man. How did Jesus make us rich? Jesus brought from heaven that wonderful gift of grace, and in His death and His resurrection, Jesus made us rich in the gift of eternal remission of our sins. We were made even richer, in the gift of eternal life, in the new birth.

**"the LORD will deliver him in time of trouble."** When was the time of trouble for Jesus? It was when He suffered for us. Remember Him praying in the garden in **Lu 22:44; 41 "And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed, 42 Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done. 43 And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him. 44 And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground."** I believe that we have here the beginning of His **"time of trouble."** This time of trouble continued as Jesus was tried, and convicted by false accusations, then he was flogged. His executioners put upon His head a crown of thorns and beat into his flesh. They spit upon Him, they slapped him, and many other awful and painful things did they to Jesus. The worst **"time of trouble"** that Jesus endured was not only giving His life for us, but that time as He neared death on the cross, when God the Father forsook His only begotten Son. How do we know this? We find it in **Mt 27:46 "And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"** What we must understand is that Jesus, in his prepared body here on earth, had never been separated from God the Father and God the Holy Spirit. However, this departure of God from Jesus's presence was necessary. Why? If God had not left in Jesus the man in mortality alone, Jesus could not have died a natural death.

**2 The LORD will preserve him, and keep him alive; and he shall be blessed upon the earth: and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies."**

**"The LORD will preserve him, and keep him alive;"** Now preacher, you just told us about Jesus dying, so how is it that He was kept alive? Before Jesus left heaven, He had a promise from God the Father seen in **Joh 10:17-18; 17 "Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again. 18 No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father."** This is why Jesus's body was raised in resurrection from the dead. But you say He died naturally: this is true, however, Jesus the Son of God never died. How do we know this? We are told by Jesus in **Lu 23:46 "And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost."** When Jesus said **"Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit:"** Jesus the Son of God returned to heaven, and thus we know that Jesus the Son of God never died.

**"and he shall be blessed upon the earth:"** Was ever a man so blessed upon the earth as Jesus Christ? None. How do we know this? Jesus is the only human who never committed a sin. Aside from all the miraculous acts Jesus did while He was here, in that time a man's children were his blessing. Jesus purchased unto himself more children than any person can imagine, seen in **Re 5:9 "and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;"**

**"and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies."** How can this be true since Jesus was delivered into the hands of His enemies to be sacrificed on the cross? Understand, those who crucified Jesus, the devil, and his followers, thought they had overcome Jesus when He died on the cross. However, we understand that in the resurrection of the body of Jesus, Jesus was not delivered unto the will of His enemies, but rather it was the fulfilling of the eternal will and purpose of God.

Now let's consider this phrase "***and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies.***" And its application in our own lives. We are all born into the world with an inherited sin nature of the fleshly body, but in the new birth, we are given a new nature, which is Christ in us, which can never sin. We may suffer ever so many things in our natural bodies and lives here on earth, but in the new birth we were given the promise of what happened to the body of Jesus. We have promise of the resurrection of the dead body in the eternal resurrection of the dead, and the change of the vile bodies of those who are alive when Jesus returns to take us to that place that He has gone to prepare for us. This is the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ to every child of God, as seen in ***1Th 4:13-18; 13 ¶ "But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. 14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. 15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. 16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: 17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. 18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words."***

By this we know that Jesus was not delivered as stated in the last phrase of verse 2: "***and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies.***" Therefore, we can all say: Hallelujah! Amen!