

PRAYER MEETING

9 April 2018

Text: **Psalm 20**

KEY PHRASE

1. Key Phrase in Psalm 20

“May the LORD...” Psalm 20:1-5

2. Significance

- a) A wish
- b) A hope
- c) A prayer

3. Answer from the Lord

- a) His will
- b) His grace and mercy

4. Important Focus

- a) “In the day of trouble” (Psalm 20:1)
- b) This could refer to a number of things: -
 - i) Ordinary and common problems
 - ii) Special times of need (calamity, disaster etc)
- c) Divine help
 - i) Would be needed
 - ii) Would be appreciated

5. May the LORD...

- a) May He answer (Psalm 20:1)
- b) May He defend (Psalm 20:1)
- c) May He send help from the sanctuary (Heaven) (Psalm 20:2)
- d) May He strengthen out of Zion (Psalm 20:2)

- e) May He remember all your offerings
And accept your burnt sacrifice (Psalm 20:3)
- f) May He grant you according to your
Heart's desire, and fulfil all your purpose (Psalm 20:4)
- g) May the LORD fulfil all your petitions (Psalm 20:5)

6. Significant Lessons

- a) Prayer is vital but it is not everything
- b) How we live and how we do things affect answers to prayer