MORNING WORSHIP 21 May 2017

Title: "Chose the tribe of Judah, Mount Zion which He loved"

Text: Psalm 78

A PSALM OF ASAPH

- 1. Historical Psalm
- 2. Didactic Psalm
- 3. Reflective Psalm

GOD'S CHOICES NOTED

1. What God did not choose

a) He rejected the tent of Joseph	(Psalm 78:67)
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- b) He did not choose the tribe of Ephraim (Psalm 78:67)
- 2. God's choice of Judah (Psalm 78:68)
 - a) Judah was not the firstborn
 - b) He was not as outstanding as Ephraim (Psalm 78:68)
 - c) His choice is profound and sovereign
- 3. God's choice of Zion (Psalm 78:68)
 - a) He loved Zion (Psalm 78:68)
 - b) He built His sanctuary there (Psalm 78:69)
 - c) He has established it forever (Psalm 78:69)

4.God's choice of David (Psalm 78:70)

a) He chose him from the sheepfold (Psalm 78:70)

b) He chose him to be His servant (Psalm 78:70)

c) He chose him to shepherd His people (Psalm 78:71)

LESSONS LEARNED FROM DAVID'S EXAMPLE

- 1. He shepherded the flock of Israel
- 2. He served according to the integrity of his heart
- 3. He guided the nation of Israel skilfully with his hands
 - a) He established the kingdom of Israel
 - b) He protected it from enemies
 - c) He strengthened the nation
- 4. He fulfilled his role as the chosen shepherd of Israel