

PRAYER MEETING

1 October 2018

Text: **Psalm 26**

A PRAYER FOR VINDICATION

1. Vindicate me, O LORD (Psalm 26:1)
2. Let my vindication come from Your presence (Psalm 17:2)

PREPARATION TO BE EXAMINED

1. Integrity
 - a) I have walked in my integrity (Psalm 26:1)
 - b) I have walked in Your truth (Psalm 26:3)
2. Consciousness of God

Your lovingkindness is before my eyes (Psalm 26:3)
3. Trust

I have also trusted the LORD (Psalm 26:1)
4. Idolatry

I have not sat with idolatrous mortals (Psalm 26:4)
5. Bad company (Cf. Psalm 1:1)
 - a) Nor will I go with hypocrites (Psalm 26:4)
 - b) I have hated the assembly of evildoers (Psalm 26:5)
 - c) And will not sit with evil doers (Psalm 26:5)
6. Innocence

I will wash my hands in innocence (Psalm 26:6)

7. Love for God's House

LORD, I have loved the habitation of Your house,
And the place where Your glory dwells (Psalm 26:8)

HOW GOD WILL CHECK

1. Examine me (Psalm 26:2a)

2. Prove me (Psalm 26:2b)

3. Try my mind (Psalm 26:2c)

4. Try my heart (Psalm 26:2d)

AN URGENT PLEA

1. Fear of God's Judgment

a) Do not gather my soul with sinners (Psalm 26:9a)

b) Nor my life with bloodthirsty men (Psalm 26:9b)

i) Sinister scheme

ii) Full of bribes (Psalm 26:10)

2. Integrity

a) I will walk in my integrity

b) Prayer for redemption

c) Plea for mercy (Psalm 26:11)

3. Confidence in the Lord

a) That I may proclaim with the voice of thanksgiving (Psalm 26:7a)

b) And tell of all Your wondrous works

c) My foot stands in an even place (Psalm 26:12a)

d) In the congregation I will bless the LORD (Psalm 26:12b)