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Book 2

Psalms 42-72 Text: Psalm 71

Part 2

<sup>1</sup>In You, O LORD, I put my trust; Let me never be put to shame.

- <sup>2</sup> Deliver me in Your righteousness, and cause me to escape; Incline Your ear to me, and save me.
- <sup>3</sup> Be my strong refuge, To which I may resort continually; You have given the commandment to save me, For You *are* my rock and my fortress.
- <sup>4</sup> Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the wicked, Out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.
- <sup>5</sup> For You are my hope, O Lord GOD; *You are* my trust from my youth.
- <sup>6</sup> By You I have been upheld from birth; You are He who took me out of my mother's womb. My praise *shall be* continually of You.
- <sup>7</sup> I have become as a wonder to many, But You *are* my strong refuge.
- <sup>8</sup> Let my mouth be filled *with* Your praise *And with* Your glory all the day.
- <sup>9</sup> Do not cast me off in the time of old age; Do not forsake me when my strength fails.
- <sup>10</sup> For my enemies speak against me; And those who lie in wait for my life take counsel together,
- <sup>11</sup> Saying, "God has forsaken him; Pursue and take him, for *there is* none to deliver *him.*"
- <sup>12</sup> O God, do not be far from me; O my God, make haste to help me!

<sup>13</sup> Let them be confounded *and* consumed Who are adversaries of my life; Let them be covered *with* reproach and dishonour Who seek my hurt.

<sup>14</sup> But I will hope continually,And will praise You yet more and more.

<sup>15</sup> My mouth shall tell of Your righteousness And Your salvation all the day, For I do not know *their* limits.

<sup>16</sup> I will go in the strength of the Lord GoD;I will make mention of Your righteousness, of Yours only.

<sup>17</sup> O God, You have taught me from my youth; And to this *day* I declare Your wondrous works.

18 Now also when *I am* old and gray-headed,
O God, do not forsake me,
Until I declare Your strength to *this* generation,
Your power to everyone *who* is to come.

<sup>19</sup> Also Your righteousness, O God, *is* very high, You who have done great things; O God, who *is* like You?

<sup>20</sup> You, who have shown me great and severe troubles, Shall revive me again,
And bring me up again from the depths of the earth.

<sup>21</sup> You shall increase my greatness, And comfort me on every side.

Also with the lute I will praise You—
And Your faithfulness, O my God!
To You I will sing with the harp,
O Holy One of Israel.

<sup>23</sup> My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing to You, And my soul, which You have redeemed.

24 My tongue also shall talk of Your righteousness all the day long;
For they are confounded,
For they are brought to shame
Who seek my hurt.
Psalm 71:1-24

#### **DEEPENING TRUST IN THE LORD**

## 1. Remembering Past Lessons

<sup>5</sup> For You are my hope, O Lord GOD; *You are* my trust from my youth.

<sup>6</sup> By You I have been upheld from birth; You are He who took me out of my mother's womb. My praise *shall be* continually of You.

<sup>7</sup> I have become as a wonder to many, But You *are* my strong refuge.

<sup>8</sup> Let my mouth be filled *with* Your praise *And with* Your glory all the day.
Psalm 71:5-8

a) Upheld from birth Psalm 71:6a
b) Trust from youth Psalm 71:5b
c) Times of Praise Psalm 71:6c, 8a
d) Remembering God's glory Psalm 71:8
e) Amidst being a wonder to many Psalm 71:7a

### 2. Praying against enemies

O God, do not be far from me;O my God, make haste to help me!

<sup>13</sup> Let them be confounded *and* consumed Who are adversaries of my life; Let them be covered *with* reproach and dishonour Who seek my hurt.
Psalm 71:12-13

a) That they may be confounded and consumed

b) That they may be covered with reproach and dishonour

# 3. Remembering lessons learned

<sup>14</sup> But I will hope continually, And will praise You yet more and more.

<sup>15</sup> My mouth shall tell of Your righteousness And Your salvation all the day, For I do not know *their* limits.

<sup>16</sup> I will go in the strength of the Lord GOD; I will make mention of Your righteousness, of Yours only.

<sup>17</sup> O God, You have taught me from my youth; And to this *day* I declare Your wondrous works.

Psalm 71:14-17

- a) Lessons of Hope in God
- b) Remembering God's
  - i) Righteousness
  - ii) Salvation
  - iii) Strength
  - iv) Works

# 4. Exercising Hope in the LORD

<sup>19</sup> Also Your righteousness, O God, *is* very high, You who have done great things; O God, who *is* like You?

20 You, who have shown me great and severe troubles, Shall revive me again, And bring me up again from the depths of the earth.

<sup>21</sup> You shall increase my greatness, And comfort me on every side.

### Psalm 71:19-21

- a) In God's righteousness
- b) In the greatness of God
- c) In His power to bring revival
- d) In His grace to increase greatness (personal)
- e) In His mercy to offer comfort

# 5. Choosing to rejoice in the LORD

And Your faithfulness, O my God!
To You I will sing with the harp,
O Holy One of Israel.

<sup>23</sup> My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing to You, And my soul, which You have redeemed.

<sup>24</sup> My tongue also shall talk of Your righteousness all the day long; For they are confounded, For they are brought to shame Who seek my hurt.

### Psalm 71:22-24

- a) Determination to praise God and His faithfulness
- b) Decision to greatly rejoice because of God's redemption
- c) Determination to speak of God's righteousness all day long