

Daily Encouragement from Gordon – Saturday 21st March

Psalm 4

1 Answer me when I call to you,
my righteous God.
Give me relief from my distress;
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

There is one place we can always go to
- to the God who does right and welcomes our prayer

2 How long will you people turn my glory into shame?
How long will you love delusions and seek false gods?
3 Know that the Lord has set apart his faithful servant for himself;
the Lord hears when I call to him.

Even now, the world's biggest problem is that people turn their back on God.
Despite the world crisis, they still don't seek the living Lord!

4 Tremble and do not sin;
when you are on your beds,
search your hearts and be silent.
5 Offer the sacrifices of the righteous
and trust in the Lord.

We don't know what the future holds, but we know who holds the future!

6 Many, Lord, are asking, 'Who will bring us prosperity?'
Let the light of your face shine on us.
7 Fill my heart with joy
when their grain and new wine abound.

Our joy in any situation is his blessing. He gives light and joy,
which are worth more than outward prosperity.

8 In peace I will lie down and sleep,
for you alone, Lord,
make me dwell in safety.

David knew the realities of tough situations
- he'd been on the run from his attackers, etc.

But he also knew that the person who trusts God enjoys His deep peace.

May God help us to rest in Him in these worrying days

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