Clips from Psalms
Psalms 107:39-42
Israel's Rebelliousness and God's Deliverance

"Again, they are diminished and bowed down through oppression, trouble, and sorrow. He pours contempt upon princes and causes them to wander in the waste, where there is no way. Yet sets he the needy on high from affliction, and makes him families like a flock. the upright shall see it and be glad; and all iniquity shall stop her mouth"

Incurable Wounds of Sin

The prophet Micah exposed the sins of idolatry and prostitution in Israel and Judah. Micah, being sore troubled, writes "8 for this will I lament and wail; I will go stripped and naked; I will make a wailing like the jackals, and a lamentation like the ostriches. 9 for her wounds are incurable; for it is come even unto Judah; it reaches unto the gate of my people, even to Jerusalem" (Micah 1:8-9).

Micah considers the people's sins as a festering wound that will not heal. One can only imagine a terrible flesh wound that continues to be mashed into the ground and tormented every day so that it has no chance of healing. Sins that go on without shame are like a festering wound that one does not take care of. The natural thing to do would be to take care of the wound and get it healed. Those, however, that love sin will keep doing the very things that brought the wound on in the first place. Such a mind is so bent on sin that it looses sight of the health of the eternal soul.

Sin has a way of deluding the mind and causing man to not be aware or care for the consequences of their actions. Sinful man can only see the immediate gratification before their eyes. Such sins may continue a lifetime and at the end man may look back on all the
Welcome to all Our Visitors. It is our prayer that you will be edified by our worship service today. If you have any questions regarding what we teach or practice please be our friend and talk with us.

Our first Men’s Meeting last week went well. If you would like to see the minutes from the meeting please see Mike Chancellor. Keep Gregory Manning in your prayers. Gregory is a member of our local church while being incarcerated. You may write him at: G C Manning # 1428856 2101 FM 369 North Iowa Park, TX 76367

Stella Davidson remains under home hospice care and continues to do well even though she is confined to a wheel chair. Stella is now living with her daughter.

carnage he has caused not only in his own soul but the destroyed lives of others.

God sees and hears all that man does in every generation (see Jeremiah 23:23-25). There will consequently be no viable excuse for the wicked when God judges mankind by his works (Romans 1:20 and Revelation 20:10-15). The wounds of idolatry and prostitution must be healed before spiritual healing can take place (Micah 1:9). Many today put their personal desires, opinions, convictions, and conscience above the laws of God and bring great trouble to their lives and the lives of others (see Jonah 2:8).

Micah helps us open our eyes to our sins so that we may be healed. The Apostle Peter once said, "Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, that so there may come seasons of refreshing from the presence of the Lord" (Acts 3:19). Let us all open our eyes to the true works of our mind and hands. If there is sin then let us be of a humble and contrite mind so that we may repent and receive forgiveness. Isaiah, speaking on behalf of God said, "2 For all these things hath my hand made, and so all these things came to be, said Jehovah: but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and that trembles at my word" (Isaiah 66:2). Are you humble, meek, lowly, and contrite of heart? Look into your lives and cleans yourselves of all defilements of the flesh that separates you from God rather than letting those wounds of sin fester into a killing disease (see 2 Corinthians 7:2).

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Psalms 79

"1 O God, the nations have come into your inheritance; they have defiled your holy temple; they have laid Jerusalem in ruins. 2 They have given the bodies of your servants to the birds of the heavens for food, the flesh of your faithful to the beasts of the earth. 3 They have poured out their blood like water all around Jerusalem, and there was no one to bury them. 4 We have become a taunt to our neighbors, mocked and derided by those around us. 5 How long, O LORD? Will you be angry forever? Will your jealousy burn like fire? 6 Pour out your anger on the nations that do not know you, and on the kingdoms that do not call upon your name! 7 For they have devoured Jacob and laid waste his habitation. 8 Do not remember against us our former iniquities; let your compassion come speedily to meet us, for we are brought very low. 9 Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and atone for our sins, for your name’s sake! 10 Why should the nations say, Where is their God? Let the avenging of the outpoured blood of your servants be known among the nations before our eyes! 11 Let the groans of the prisoners come before you; according to your great power, preserve those doomed to die! 12 Return sevenfold into the lap of our neighbors the taunts with which they have taunted you, O Lord! 13 But we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will give thanks to you forever; from generation to generation we will recount your praise"