

DAY 13

Psalm 35 – “The Lord is My Warrior/Defender!”

Did you know that the Lord our God fight the battles of His people, especially those whose trust are fully in Him? The Lord showed this truth to us in the story of David and Goliath (See 1 Samuel 17: 47). This was the very basis of this psalm or prayer of David.

1) David PLEADS the Lord to be his WARRIOR/DEFENDER and to fight his battle! (vv. 1-8, 11-17, 19-27)

David here calls on the Lord to “wear” His armor and to “fight” his personal battle with his enemies. He knew this to be true by experience. He knew the wonderful works of the Lord in his life and had heard what the Lord did for His people in the days past. So here David claims and appropriates this truth to his own difficult situation now. David identifies his enemies as those “ruthless witnesses” who slander him. The sad part was the fact that he knew these people and he even did good deeds for them; but they repay his goodness to them with evil. These enemies wanted David dead and fallen. So David pleads with the Lord to arise and fight his battle and to rescue him from these enemies.

2) David PROMISES to praise the Lord and testify about His wonderful deeds (vv. 9-10, 18, 28).

In return, David promised the Lord to praise Him and tell of His wonderful deeds to others. He committed to testify about what the Lord had done and to thank Him for His goodness and lovingkindness to him.

POINTS TO PONDER:

1) The Lord our God is our AWESOME & MIGHTY WARRIOR! He fights His people's battles and rescues them from their enemies. Therefore, let us call on Him during our times of trouble and ask for help for He will graciously save us.

PRAYER:

"Our heavenly Father, You are our Warrior and Defender! You promise to fight our battles even our personal battles! Blessed indeed are those who run to You for help and call on Your Name for they will be helped. Today, I run to You for help. In Jesus Christ's Name I pray. AMEN!"