PSALM 101 – "DAVID'S ZEAL FOR HOLINESS!"

Man, generally, is looking for happiness. He looks for it in people (relationships), possessions (riches), parties (pleasures), and even power, but to no avail! The Bible, God's Word, shows us where we can find true happiness. It is in living or obeying the Lord. To be exact, it is in living a holy life before Him! Leviticus says, "I am the Lord your God; consecrate yourselves and be holy" (Lev. 11:44) and the Apostle Peter affirmed it when he wrote, "But just as He who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: 'Be holy, because I am holy" (1 Peter 1:15, 16). This psalm describes David's zeal for the Lord's holiness. As shown by David, we live holy lives not in order to be saved or be accepted by God but because of WHO He is & in order to thank Him for what He had done for us through Jesus Christ.

1) David PRAISES the Lord for His love and justice! (v. 1)

David praises the Lord for WHO HE IS – a loving and just God! He was a gracious and forgiving God. Even though He was just and holy yet He forgives and continues to love His people. And David realizes this in his own life as he reflects of his own personal relationship with the Lord (as can be observed from these psalms that he wrote).

2) David PROMISES the Lord to live a godly life! (vv. 2-8)

Note how David responded to this love and justice of the Lord in his life. He commits to the Lord to live a blameless life. He promises to avoid the faithless and wicked; but to fellowship with those who are faithful and who fears the Lord, and they will minister to him. David pledges to curtail the evil doers from the land.

POINT TO PONDER:

1) The Lord our God is a Loving & Just God! He is so worthy of our praise that He deserves our utmost obedience and submission. And because He is holy, we ought to live holy lives as well (1 Pet. 1:16).

PRAYER:

"Father, You are our Loving & Just God! You loved us so much that You made a way for us sinners to be saved from our sins. You are Just and Holy so You paid the price of our sins even the gift of Your Son Jesus, our Savior and lord. Through Christ, You were able to forgive our sins and save us from death and hell. Father, indeed, David was right. You are worthy of our praise and total devotion. We will praise and serve You forever. In Jesus' Name, AMEN!"