

LESSONS FROM PSALMS THIRTY-SIX

Scripture: Psalm 36:1-12

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- I. LEARN SOMETHING OF THE CHARACTER OF NATURAL MAN.
  - A. vs. 1-4
  - B. No respect for God. v.1
  - C. Proud, self sufficient. v.2
  - D. Words of mouth are sinful and deceitful. v.3
  - E. Pattern of life is contrary to wisdom and goodness. v.3
  - F. Plans and sets self in a way that is not good. He does not hate evil. v.4
  
- II. LEARN WHY THE WICKED ARE PERMITTED TO CONTINUE IN THEIR SIN. vs. 5-7
  - A. The mercy of God...If it were not for His mercy we would all be consumed. The faithfulness of God...God has promised not to destroy man until He has fulfilled His plan and purpose for man. v.5
  - B. The providential care of God is extended to His whole creation. v.6
  - C. The loving-kindness of God has made it possible for all to be saved and God in His mercy and love is longsuffering in waiting for individuals to repent. v.7
  
- III. LEARN WHAT IS THE INTENDED RESULTS OF THE EXTENDED LOVING KINDNESS OF GOD. vs. 7-11
  - A. That the children of men might put their trust under the shadow of God's wings. v.7
    1. God does not want any person to die in his sins.
    2. God has made provisions for all to be saved.
  - B. That the children of men might be abundantly satisfied Jesus satisfied the longing heart and fills the hungry soul with gladness. v.8
  - C. That the children of men might drink of the river of His pleasures. v.8
  - D. That we might drink of the fountain of life. Jesus said "I am the water of life...those who drink of me shall never thirst again. v.9
  - E. That we might live in the light of God. Jesus is the Light of the world..In Him is no darkness at all. Spend eternity where the Son is the Light of the city. v.9
  - F. That we might recognize the provisions and protection of the loving-kindness of God. vs. 10,11
  
- IV. LEARN WHAT IS THE END OF THOSE WHO REFUSE TO RECOGNIZE GOD AND REJECT HIS OFFERED MERCY. v.12
  - A. They are fallen
  - B. They are cast down
  - C They shall not be able to rise