

Sermon Notes for Young People

February 24, 2019 | Psalm 10, "False Sons in Her Pale"

- I. Introduction:** How are the circumstances and enemies of Psalm 10 different from those of Psalm 9?

II. Sermon Outline

A. Perplexed Faith Pleads (vv. 1-2)

1. Questions for God (v. 1): What does the psalmist ask God and what do his question imply?
2. Prayer of Faith (v. 2): In what does the psalmist still have confidence? Why is this remarkable?

B. Wicked Abuse Patience (vv. 3-11): The wicked blaspheme _____ and harm _____.

1. Religious Life of the Wicked (vv. 3-5)
 - a. Are only "religious people" religious?
 - b. How does the psalmist's enemy use religion? What examples does he give?
 - c. What is hanging over the wicked as their power and influence expands?
2. Therapy of the Wicked (v. 6): What does the wicked promise himself?
3. Method of the Wicked (vv. 7-10)
 - a. How do the wicked use words?
 - b. Who are the righteous victims of the wicked?
 - c. How do we know the psalmist is lamenting the presence of wicked people in the church (v. 8)?

4. Confidence of the Wicked (v. 11): What is the root of the problem?

5. Application

- a. Why does God allow this to happen?
- b. All sin is acting like _____ ...
- c. Why does the psalmist spend so much time reflecting on the lifestyle of the wicked?

C. Weak Faith Strengthened (vv. 12-18)

1. Confidence in God's Character (vv. 12-15)
 - a. Whom does the psalmist question now?
 - b. What aspects of God's character give the psalmist confidence in this situation?
 - c. How does the psalmist pray - in effect - "thy Kingdom come" again in v. 15?
2. Confidence in God's Rule (v. 16)
 - a. This is the first time in the Psalms that what is affirmed explicitly?
 - b. Who are "the nations" in view here?
3. Confidence in God's Justice (vv. 17-18)
 - a. Which promise is not future but for the present?
 - b. Why does he specify "man of the earth"?

III. Questions for my Parents or the Pastor: