

“The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. . . . Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for You are with me; your rod and Your staff, they comfort me” (Psa. 23:1, 4). *Where would we be without these amazing words!*

I am not sure if there is any psalm which gives deeper insight into the depth of devotion of the godly than Psalm 137. The words show that this psalm was obviously not written by David, who wrote most of the psalms. It was written by the captives who had been taken to Babylon. The writer looks back to the destruction of Jerusalem when the Edomites (the descendants of Esau and therefore “cousins” of the Jews) watched from the sidelines and cheered that the holy city was being destroyed. The psalm was written as these captives sat under the (weeping?) willow trees with broken hearts. The Babylonians demanded, with no avail, that the Jews sing one of the joyful melodies from Israel.

Read the words and weep with the Jews exiled in Babylon. *Then mimic their undying devotion to God!*

1 “By the rivers of Babylon, There we sat down, yea, we wept when we remembered Zion.

2 We hung our harps upon the willows in the midst of it.

3 For there those who carried us away captive asked of us a song, and those who plundered us requested mirth, saying, ‘Sing us one of the songs of Zion!’

4 How shall we sing the LORD'S song In a foreign land?

5 If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget its skill!

6 If I do not remember you, let my tongue cling to the roof of my mouth-If I do not exalt Jerusalem above my chief joy.

7 Remember, O LORD, against the sons of Edom. The day of Jerusalem, who said, ‘Raze it, raze it, To its very foundation!’”

Order of Service

Opening Remarks	Sam Phillips
Song Leader	Don Petrosky, Jr.
Song	
Song	
Prayer	Ray Parks
Song	
Communion	Don Petrosky, Sr. Dylan Petrosky
Song	
Song	
Sermon	Clay Bond
Song	
Offering	
Closing Remarks	Sam Phillips
Song	
Dismissal Prayer	Russell Haydon

Upcoming Events

- Dec. 1st Pot Luck Fellowship
- Dec. 15th Holiday Dinner at the Bond's home

Wednesday Devotional

Nov. 20th Chris W.
Nov. 27th Russell H.

...Prayer List...

Gaye Kyle, Tom Barr, Melvin Wright, Pete Medina, Casey Jo Engle, Reta George, Regis & Rachel Parks & Family, Chris' Grandfather, Nan Phillips

Remember our college students who are away at school: Jarrett & Luke Haydon

Shut-Ins: Robbi George

Attendance: Sunday AM: 26 PM: 25 Wednesday: 23 Contribution: \$3336.12