June 19

READ PSALMS 45-49

PSALM 45

To the chief Musician upon Shoshannim, for the sons of Korah, Maschil, A Song of loves.

MY heart is inditing a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made touching the king: my tongue *is* the pen of a ready writer.

2 Thou art fairer than the children of men: grace is poured into thy lips: therefore God hath blessed thee for ever.

3 Gird thy sword upon *thy* thigh, O *most* mighty, with thy glory and thy majesty.

4 And in thy majesty ride prosperously because of truth and meekness *and* righteousness; and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.

5 Thine arrows *are* sharp in the heart of the king's enemies; *where-by* the people fall under thee.

6. Thy throne, O God, *is* for ever and ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom *is* a right sceptre.

7 Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

8 All thy garments *smell* of myrrh, and aloes, *and* cassia, out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad.

9 Kings' daughters *were* among thy honourable women: upon thy right hand did stand the queen in gold of Ophir.

10. Hearken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear; forget also thine own people, and thy father's house;

11 So shall the king greatly desire thy beauty: for he *is* thy Lord; and worship thou him.

12 And the daughter of Tyre *shall be there* with a gift; *even* the rich among the people shall intreat thy favour.

13 The king's daughter *is* all glorious within: her clothing *is* of wrought gold.

14 She shall be brought unto the king in raiment of needlework: the virgins her companions that follow her shall be brought unto thee.

thee with 15 With gladness and rejoicing e thy fel- shall they be brought: they shall EVENING STAR DAILY BIBLE enter into the king's palace.

16 Instead of thy fathers shall be thy children, whom thou mayest make princes in all the earth.

17 I will make thy name to be remembered in all generations: therefore shall the people praise thee for ever and ever.

PSALM 46

To the chief Musician for the sons of Korah, A Song upon Alamoth.

GOD *is* our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

2 Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;

3 *Though* the waters thereof roar *and* be troubled, *though* the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah.

4 *There is* a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy *place* of the tabernacles of the most High.

5 God *is* in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God shall help her, *and that* right early.

6. The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved: he uttered his voice, the earth melted.

7 The LORD of hosts *is* with us; the God of Jacob *is* our refuge. Selah.

8 Come, behold the works of the

LORD, what desolations he hath made in the earth.

9 He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder; he burneth the chariot in the fire.

10 Be still, and know that I *am* God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.

11 The LORD of hosts *is* with us; the God of Jacob *is* our refuge. Selah.

PSALM 47

To the chief Musician, A Psalm for the sons of Korah.

OCLAP your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice of triumph.

2 For the LORD most high *is* terrible; *he is* a great King over all the earth.

3 He shall subdue the people under us, and the nations under our feet.

4 He shall choose our inheritance for us, the excellency of Jacob whom he loved. Selah.

5. God is gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

6 Sing praises to God, sing praises: sing praises unto our King, sing praises.

7 For God *is* the King of all the earth: sing ye praises with understanding.

8 God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon the throne of his holiness.

9 The princes of the people are gathered together, *even* the people of the God of Abraham: for the shields of the earth *belong* unto God: he is greatly exalted.

PSALM 48

A Song *and* Psalm for the sons of Korah.

GREAT *is* the LORD, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, *in* the mountain of his holiness.

2 Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, *is* mount Zion, *on* the sides of the north, the city of the great King.

3 God is known in her palaces for a refuge.

4 For, lo, the kings were assembled, they passed by together.

5 They saw *it, and* so they marvelled; they were troubled, *and* hasted away.

6 Fear took hold upon them there, *and* pain, as of a woman in travail.

7 Thou breakest the ships of Tarshish with an east wind.

8. As we have heard, so have we

seen in the city of the LORD of hosts, in the city of our God: God will establish it for ever. Selah.

9 We have thought of thy lovingkindness, O God, in the midst of thy temple.

10 According to thy name, O God, so *is* thy praise unto the ends of the earth: thy right hand is full of righteousness.

11 Let mount Zion rejoice, let the daughters of Judah be glad, because of thy judgments.

12 Walk about Zion, and go round about her: tell the towers thereof.

13 Mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces; that ye may tell *it* to the generation following.

14 For this God *is* our God for ever and ever: he will be our guide *even* unto death.

PSALM 49

To the chief Musician, A Psalm for the sons of Korah.

HEAR this, all *ye* people; give ear, all *ye* inhabitants of the world:

2 Both low and high, rich and poor, together.

3 My mouth shall speak of wisdom; and the meditation of my heart *shall be* of understanding.

b have we 4 I will incline mine ear to a **EVENING STAR DAILY BIBLE**

parable: I will open my dark saying upon the harp.

5 Wherefore should I fear in the days of evil, *when* the iniquity of my heels shall compass me about?

6. They that trust in their wealth, and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches;

7 None *of them* can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to God a ransom for him:

8 (For the redemption of their soul *is* precious, and it ceaseth for ever:)

9 That he should still live for ever, *and* not see corruption.

10 For he seeth *that* wise men die, likewise the fool and the brutish person perish, and leave their wealth to others.

11 Their inward thought *is, that* their houses *shall continue* for ever, *and* their dwelling places to all generations; they call *their* lands after their own names.

12 Nevertheless man *being* in honour abideth not: he is like the beasts *that* perish.

13 This their way *is* their folly:

yet their posterity approve their sayings. Selah.

14 Like sheep they are laid in the grave; death shall feed on them; and the upright shall have dominion over them in the morning; and their beauty shall consume in the grave from their dwelling.

15. But God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave: for he shall receive me. Selah.

16 Be not thou afraid when one is made rich, when the glory of his house is increased;

17 For when he dieth he shall carry nothing away: his glory shall not descend after him.

18 Though while he lived he blessed his soul: and *men* will praise thee, when thou doest well to thyself.

19 He shall go to the generation of his fathers; they shall never see light.

20 Man *that is* in honour, and understandeth not, is like the beasts *that* perish.

DEVOTIONAL COMMENTS

Psalm 45 is a nuptial song of a king. It may, in part, have reference to David or Solomon. But some of its statements are totally inapplicable to either, or to any other human sovereign. It surely seems to be a song of the Messiah, anticipating the Marriage Supper of the Lamb as described in Revelation 19.

Psalm 46 is called "Zion's Battle Song." It was the basis for Martin Luther's famous hymn of the Reformation, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God."

Psalm 47 portrays our God as King, reigning in Zion. All of the Psalms give us a new glimpse into the sovereignty of God, for He is highly exalted throughout the Psalms. In this day of flippancy about sacred things, we have the marvelous privilege of advancing into the intimacy of the Lord God.

Psalm 48, like Psalm 47, portrays God as King reigning upon the throne. Verse 14 declares, "For this God is our God for ever and ever: he will be our guide even unto death."

Psalm 49 speaks of the vanity of riches, and declares that God is the owner of the earth and everything that is therein. When we give to God we are merely returning that which already belongs to Him.

Looking back for a moment at verse 10 of Psalm 46, we read, "Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth." In a day of turmoil, when people are running hurriedly to and fro, we should take time to "be still and know." We should give God time in our lives. Too many Christians become frustrated because they are too busy to take time for God. They seemingly have no time to spend in God's Word and in prayer. One of Satan's greatest tools against Christians today is his robbing them of time. Many writings of the greatest men of God indicate that the busier they were for God, the more time they spent in the Word and on their knees before Him, to prepare them for their tasks!

PROVERB FOR TODAY

"Whoso curseth his father or his mother, his lamp shall be put out in obscure darkness" (Proverbs 20:20).

TREASURE PATH TO SOUL WINNING

ASSIGNMENT 21: For today's memory verses, follow instructions on page 7.

ON THIS DATE IN HISTORY

1834

CHARLES SPURGEON WAS BORN IN KALVE-

DEN, ESSEX, ENGLAND.

On this day Charles Spurgeon was born; with him was born a new day in Baptist history. Charles Spurgeon, one of the few men who stayed and preached day after day and week after week in the same spot and yet could shake a nation and, yea, a world for God. Charles Spurgeon, the great author of books and the great pastor of preachers—oh, for a Spurgeon today! Let us thank God for the memory we have of Spurgeon and the writings he left to us. Truly, "He being dead yet speaketh" (Hebrews 11:4b).

1868

THE FOUNDATION WAS LAID FOR SPURGEON'S ORPHANAGE.

It is interesting, is it not, what one man can do with his life. Each of us has one life to live. Let us fill it in service for God and others. When a life is lived like Spurgeon's—so full, so rich, so dedicated, so powerful—we see what God can do with a man dedicated to His cause and His work. All of us cannot be Spurgeons. Maybe none of us can, but each of us can be his best. Each of us can be his best self. We cannot give to God all that others can give but we can give as much of ourselves as others can give of themselves. May we do it today.

1885

THE STATUE OF LIBERTY ARRIVED IN THE UNITED STATES.

I stood on the deck of the Staten Island Ferry and looked out at the Statue of Liberty. "She" beckoned to me and to all the world that this is the "Land of Liberty." There is a certain feeling that one gets as he looks at this landmark of American freedom. Pray that America will be free and that liberty will always prevail here, that the tide of Communism and Socialism may be thwarted and stopped, and that this will always be "the land of the free and the home of the brave."

ON THIS DATE IN AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY

1864

IN FAMOUS DUEL BETWEEN THE USS KEARSAGE AND THE CSS ALABAMA OFF CHERBOURG, FRANCE, A BRAVE BLACK SAILOR, JOACHIM PEASE, DISPLAYED "MARKED COOLNESS" AND WON A CON-GRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR.

1868

MAJ. GEN. E.R.S. CANBY REMOVED THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF COLUMBIA, S.C., AND MADE NEW APPOINTMENTS, INCLUD-ING THREE BLACKS: C.M. WILDER, JOSEPH FRANCHISE BLACKS.

1953

ALBERT W. DENT, PRESIDENT OF DILLARD UNIVERSITY, ELECTED PRESIDENT OF NATIONAL HEALTH COUNCIL.

BUS BOYCOTT BEGAN BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

1968

FIFTY THOUSAND DEMONSTRATORS PARTIC-

IPATED IN SOLIDARITY DAY MARCH OF POOR PEOPLE'S CAMPAIGN.

Marchers walked from Washington Monument to Lincoln Monument, where they were addressed by Vice-president Humphrey, presidental candidate Eugene McCarthy, Mrs. Martin Luther King Jr. and Ralph Abernathy.

1969

STATE TROOPERS ORDERED TO CAIRO, ILL., TO QUELL RACIAL DISTURBANCES.

1971

MAYOR DECLARED A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN COLUMBUS, GA., RACIAL DISTURBANCE.

Treasure Path to Soul-Winning

MEMORY VERSE TOPIC FOR THIS WEEK:

DIFFICULT PROBLEMS SOLVED: "THERE IS JUST TOO MUCH TO GIVE UP"

(Assignment 21)

Please recite all three components of each of these five verses aloud, five times each morning, and five times each evening, for seven days. The three components of each verse are: Subject, Scripture Reference, and Scripture Text. (For more details, see "The Treasure Path to Soul Winning" link back on the DailyKJV page.)

No rest.

() Isaiah 57:20 But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt.

No peace.

() Isaiah 57:21 There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked.

No happiness.

() Revelation 3:17

Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked.

(Contrast) peace.

() John 14:27

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid...

Plenty.

() Psalms 34:10 The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing.