June 22

READ PSALMS 62-67

PSALM 62

To the chief Musician, to Jeduthun, A Psalm of David.

TRULY my soul waiteth upon God: from him *cometh* my salvation.

2 He only *is* my rock and my salvation; *he is* my defence; I shall not be greatly moved.

3 How long will ye imagine mischief against a man? ye shall be slain all of you: as a bowing wall *shall ye be, and as* a tottering fence.

4 They only consult to cast *him* down from his excellency: they delight in lies: they bless with their mouth, but they curse inwardly. Selah.

5 My soul, wait thou only upon God; for my expectation *is* from him.

6 He only *is* my rock and my salvation: *he is* my defence; I shall not be moved.

7 In God *is* my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, *and* my refuge, *is* in God.

8. Trust in him at all times; *ye* people, pour out your heart before him: God *is* a refuge for us. Selah.

9 Surely men of low degree *are* vanity, *and* men of high degree *are* a lie: to be laid in the balance, they *are* altogether *lighter* than vanity.

10 Trust not in oppression, and become not vain in robbery: if riches increase, set not your heart *upon them*.

11 God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that power *belongeth* unto God.

12 Also unto thee, O Lord, *belongeth* mercy: for thou renderest to every man according to his work.

PSALM 63

A Psalm of David, when he was in the wilderness of Judah.

GOD, thou *art* my God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is;

2 To see thy power and thy glory, so *as* I have seen thee in the sanctuary.

3. Because thy lovingkindness *is* better than life, my lips shall praise thee.

4 Thus will I bless thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in thy name.

5 My soul shall be satisfied as *with* marrow and fatness; and my mouth shall praise *thee* with joyful lips:

6 When I remember thee upon my bed, *and* meditate on thee in the *night* watches.

7. Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.

8 My soul followeth hard after thee: thy right hand upholdeth me.

9 But those *that* seek my soul, to destroy *it*, shall go into the lower parts of the earth.

10 They shall fall by the sword: they shall be a portion for foxes.

11 But the king shall rejoice in God; every one that sweareth by him shall glory: but the mouth of them that speak lies shall be stopped.

PSALM 64

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

HEAR my voice, O God, in my prayer: preserve my life from fear of the enemy.

2 Hide me from the secret counsel of the wicked; from the insurrection of the workers of iniquity:

3 Who whet their tongue like a sword, *and* bend *their bows to shoot* their arrows, *even* bitter words:

4 That they may shoot in secret at the perfect: suddenly do they shoot at him, and fear not.

5 They encourage themselves *in* an evil matter: they commune of laying snares privily; they say, Who shall see them?

6 They search out iniquities; they accomplish a diligent search: both the inward *thought* of every one *of them*, and the heart, *is* deep.

7. But God shall shoot at them *with* an arrow; suddenly shall they be wounded.

8 So they shall make their own tongue to fall upon themselves: all that see them shall flee away.

9 And all men shall fear, and shall declare the work of God; for they shall wisely consider of his doing.

10 The righteous shall be glad in the LORD, and shall trust in him; and all the upright in heart shall glory.

PSALM 65

To the chief Musician, A Psalm *and* Song of David.

PRAISE waiteth for thee, O God, in Sion: and unto thee shall the vow be performed.

2 O thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come.

ords: 3 Iniquities prevail against me: EVENING STAR DAILY BIBLE *as for* our transgressions, thou shalt purge them away.

4 Blessed *is the man whom* thou choosest, and causest to approach *unto thee, that* he may dwell in thy courts: we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, *even* of thy holy temple.

5 By terrible things in righteousness wilt thou answer us, O God of our salvation; who art the confidence of all the ends of the earth, and of them that are afar off upon the sea:

6. Which by his strength setteth fast the mountains; *being* girded with power:

7 Which stilleth the noise of the seas, the noise of their waves, and the tumult of the people.

8 They also that dwell in the uttermost parts are afraid at thy tokens: thou makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to rejoice.

9 Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it: thou greatly enrichest it with the river of God, *which* is full of water: thou preparest them corn, when thou hast so provided for it.

10 Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly: thou settlest the furrows thereof: thou makest it soft with showers: thou blessest the springing thereof.

11 Thou crownest the year with thy goodness; and thy paths drop fatness.

12 They drop *upon* the pastures of the wilderness: and the little hills rejoice on every side.

13 The pastures are clothed with flocks; the valleys also are covered over with corn; they shout for joy, they also sing.

PSALM 66

To the chief Musician, A Song or Psalm.

AKE a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands:

2 Sing forth the honour of his name: make his praise glorious.

3 Say unto God, How terrible *art thou in* thy works! through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies submit themselves unto thee.

4 All the earth shall worship thee, and shall sing unto thee; they shall sing *to* thy name. Selah.

5 Come and see the works of God: *he is* terrible *in his* doing toward the children of men.

6 He turned the sea into dry *land*: they went through the flood on foot: there did we rejoice in him.

a settlest 7 He ruleth by his power for makest it ever; his eyes behold the nations:

let not the rebellious exalt themselves. Selah.

8. O bless our God, ye people, and make the voice of his praise to be heard:

9 Which holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to be moved.

10 For thou, O God, hast proved us: thou hast tried us, as silver is tried.

11 Thou broughtest us into the net; thou laidst affliction upon our loins.

12 Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water: but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy *place*.

13. I will go into thy house with burnt offerings: I will pay thee my vows,

14 Which my lips have uttered, and my mouth hath spoken, when I was in trouble.

15 I will offer unto thee burnt sacrifices of fatlings, with the incense of rams; I will offer bullocks with goats. Selah.

16 Come *and* hear, all ye that fear God, and I will declare what he hath done for my soul.

17 I cried unto him with my mouth, and he was extolled with my tongue.

18 If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear *me*:

19 *But* verily God hath heard *me*; he hath attended to the voice of my prayer.

20 Blessed *be* God, which hath not turned away my prayer, nor his mercy from me.

PSALM 67

To the chief Musician on Neginoth, A Psalm *or* Song.

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause his face to shine upon us; Selah.

2 That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations.

3 Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.

4 O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth. Selah.

5 Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.

6 *Then* shall the earth yield her increase; *and* God, *even* our own God, shall bless us.

7 God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

DEVOTIONAL COMMENTS

In verses 2 and 6 of Psalm 62 David gives his source of strength even in the time of trouble. He says, "He only is my rock and my salvation; he is my defence; I shall not be greatly moved." This Psalm is a poem of devotion to God and shows David's unwavering trust in Him. He had many troubles, but he never failed to trust in the Lord.

In Psalm 63 David is thirsting for God. This Psalm seems to belong to the period when David was in the wilderness (I Samuel 24), fleeing from Absalom. David was still confident of restoration.

Psalm 64 is a prayer for protection against the plots of David's secret enemies. Again we see that he is confident that, through God, he will triumph.

Psalm 65 speaks of the millennial restitution of the earth. Spiritual blessings are realized (verses 1-5), as well as temporal and material benefits (verses 6-13). This Psalm, as well as Psalms 66, 67, and 68 describe the "restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began" (Acts 3:21).

Every Christian should commit to memory Psalm 66:18: "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me." God will not hear the prayers of His saints if they are negligent in reading His precious Word, or if there is strife among the family. I do believe, however, that one of the most prominent reasons for unanswered prayer in the life of a Christian is that of unconfessed sin!

Psalm 67 speaks of full kingdom joy and blessing. The nations know and praise God in verses 1-4, and worldwide prosperity follows in verses 5 and 6.

PROVERB FOR TODAY

"Let not thine heart envy sinners: but be thou in the fear of the Lord all the day long" (Proverbs 23:17).

TREASURE PATH TO SOUL WINNING

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

BIRTHDAYS TODAY

IDA GREEN JEFFREY DAVIS

ON THIS DATE IN HISTORY 1851

THE DATE OF THE SAN FRANCISCO FIRE.

JONATHAN EDWARDS WAS DISMISSED FROM HIS PULPIT.

On this day in history Jonathan Edwards was dismissed from his pulpit. The reasons given were that he preached against bad books, the dance, and the unsaved taking communion. Pray for God to give us preachers today who will take the same stand.

1873

THE DATE OF THE FIRST SERVICE IN ENG-LAND FOR DWIGHT MOODY.

It is very interesting. Only fifty people were present. No one participated in the singing, and yet, it started what has been called the greatest revival since Pentecost. Pray for God to give us revival in our day. Pray for England and God's people there, and for God's blessings on our sister nation. Thank God for the influence of the great Dwight Moody.

1941 HITLER ATTACKED RUSSIA.

1944

THE G.I. BILL OF RIGHTS WAS SIGNED.

Pray for the servicemen today. American boys are serving all over the world, and some of them are giving their lives for their country. Pray for God's blessings upon the boys in service.

ON THIS DATE IN AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY

1937

JOE LOUIS DEFEATED JAMES J. BRADDOCK FOR HEAVYWEIGHT BOXING CHAMPIONSHIP.

1949

EZZARD CHARLES DEFEATED JERSEY JOE WALCOTT FOR THE WORLD HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

1970

RICHARD NIXON SIGNED BILL EXTENDING VOTING RIGHTS ACT OF 1965 TO 1975.

Hymn of the Week

"IT IS SUMMERTIME IN MY HEART" Lois Johnson

The night was very cold in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in January of 1940. The ground was covered with snow, with more falling. Lois Johnson was snugly in bed at her home. She didn't like the bleakness or the cold of the winter night, but because she was a Christian she had God's sunshine flooding her heart. In fact, she thought to herself, "It is always summertime in the hearts of those who have Christ dwelling within."

Suddenly a melody began to run through her mind, and with it came these words:

It is summertime in my heart, It is summertime in my heart, Since Jesus saved me, new life he gave, Even in wintertime it's summer in my heart.

On waking the next morning her thoughts immediately turned to the melody and verse born the night before. She hurried to the piano and began to play and sing the song. She then put it on paper, taking only about ten or fifteen minutes to do so.

Harry Clark came to their home the next day and heard her play and sing it. That same evening he had her play and sing it for the congregation where he was preaching in a series of revival services. It was taught to the congregation that same evening and they sang it heartily. A few weeks later Mr. Clark published it in a booklet of songs. Thus began the increasingly popular chorus, "Summertime in My Heart." It is now published by Singspiration.

Lois Johnson was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, where she studied piano and voice at the McPhail School of Music.

In 1953 she became the wife of Harvey John Fritsch who is presently the pastor of the Community Christian Church in Miami, Florida.

"Summertime in My Heart" has been translated into two foreign languages. It has been heard nationally on television, sung by a famous ladies quartet. It was later recorded by the same quartet in a medley of choruses. The album in which it can be heard has sold more than a quarter of a million copies.

The zenith of her musical ambitions for the Lord was accomplished when she was chosen to play the organ for the Billy Graham Crusade in Miami in 1961. She accompanied the meetings for a week of the Crusade.

As you attend the Youth for Christ rallies or evangelistic services across the United States, or as you walk the streets of mountain towns of Colombia, South America, you'll be thrilled when you hear happy voices singing, "It Is Summertime in My Heart."

Lindsey Terry got this story from Mrs. Fritsch as she sat in his office in Miami, Florida, when he was minister of music at the Northwest Baptist Church during 1962 and 1963.

EVENING STAR DAILY BIBLE

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 the next 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.