


Psalm 39

Since I can commit sin simply by what I say, I will try to be more aware of my speech at all times.

When I am angry, I am most likely to say things which I will ultimately regret, so I will try even harder to be quiet during these times.

Lord, I am curious about how much time I have left to live. However, if I lived as if each day was my last, I would probably bring more glory to You! And, compared to God's eternal existence, my entire life is like no more than a breath to God.

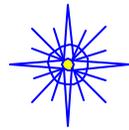
People scurry about in endless activities making and collecting things. None of us can take any of these things with us into eternity. We have no idea who will get them when we die. So we are often guilty of wasting time. Lord, let my life count for eternity.

Lord, Your punishment feels so harsh and painful. Please show me more mercy. I want to be forgiven and I will try to do better.

Lord, hear me when I speak to You! Feel my pain and heartache. Let me enjoy at least a brief time of peace before I enter Your Kingdom.



1 I said, "I will be careful how I act and will not sin by what I say. I will be careful what I say around wicked people." 2 So I kept very quiet. I didn't even say anything good, but I became even more upset. 3 I became very angry inside, and as I thought about it, my anger burned. So I spoke: 4 "LORD, tell me when the end will come and how long I will live. Let me know how long I have. 5 You have given me only a short life; my lifetime is like nothing to you. Everyone's life is only a breath. Selah 6 People are like shadows moving about. All their work is for nothing; they collect things but don't know who will get them. 7 "So, Lord, what hope do I have? You are my hope. 8 Save me from all my sins. Don't let wicked fools make fun of me. 9 I am quiet; I do not open my mouth, because you are the one who has done this. 10 Quit punishing me; your beating is about to kill me. 11 You correct and punish people for their sins; like a moth, you destroy what they love. Everyone's life is only a breath. Selah 12 "LORD, hear my prayer, and listen to my cry. Do not ignore my tears. I am like a visitor with you. Like my ancestors, I'm only here a short time. 13 Leave me alone so I can be happy before I leave and am no more."



Philippians 1:21-30

Show no fear of those who oppose you. Operating from a position of strength always produces the best results. By demonstrating a healthy **fear of God** and **NO FEAR** of man, I will present a testimony of God's saving power.

If you truly believe in Christ and live according to His directives and desires for you, you will have to **endure** suffering. Ungodly persons are threatened by Christ and persons who **live Godly lives**. So it is only natural to expect persecution when we try to live for God.

Persecution comes in various forms. In most "civilized" countries, people simply "mock" and "ridicule" righteous ones. Yet, it seems that most Godly people are just as negatively affected by verbal persecution as by physical persecution.

The test of true Christianity is **perseverance** in **right living** by those who claim to know Christ.

Stand up for what you believe!

Withstand all opposition to God and righteousness!

Spend much time in the presence of the Almighty God to absorb His strength for living.



21 For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. 22 If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labor for me. Yet what shall I choose? I do not know!

23 I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; 24 but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body.

25 Convinced of this, I know that I will remain, and I will continue with all of you for your progress and joy in the faith, 26 so that through my being with you again your joy in Christ Jesus will overflow on account of me. 27 Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in one spirit, contending as one man for the faith of the gospel

28 without being frightened in any way by those who oppose you. This is a sign to them that they will be destroyed, but that you will be saved--and that by God. 29 For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for him, 30 since you are going through the same struggle you saw I had, and now hear that I still have.



10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, And the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. (NNAS)

10 Wisdom begins with respect for the LORD, and understanding begins with knowing the Holy One. (NCV)

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10 For the reverence and fear of God are basic to all wisdom. Knowing God results in every other kind of understanding. (TLB)

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1 Wisdom has built her house; she has made its seven columns. 2 She has prepared her food and wine; she has set her table. 3 She has sent out her servant girls, and she calls out from the highest place in the city. 4 She says to those who are uneducated, "Come in here, you foolish people! 5 Come and eat my food and drink the wine I have prepared. 6 Stop your foolish ways, and you will live; take the road of understanding.

7 "If you correct someone who makes fun of wisdom, you will be insulted. If you correct an evil person, you will get hurt. 8 Do not correct those who make fun of wisdom, or they will hate you. But correct the wise, and they will love you. 9 Teach the wise, and they will become even wiser; teach good people, and they will learn even more.

10 "Wisdom begins with respect for the LORD, and understanding begins with knowing the Holy One. 11 If you live wisely, you will live a long time; wisdom will add years to your life. 12 The wise person is rewarded by wisdom, but whoever makes fun of wisdom will suffer for it."

13 Foolishness is like a loud woman; she does not have wisdom or knowledge. 14 She sits at the door of her house at the highest place in the city. 15 She calls out to those who are passing by, who are going along, minding their own business. 16 She says to those who are uneducated, "Come in here, you foolish people! 17 Stolen water is sweeter, and food eaten in secret tastes better." 18 But these people don't know that everyone who goes there dies, that her guests end up deep in the grave.

Quick Reference Guide to Dayprimer for today:



- C Reflect on the wisdom of Solomon
Read the selected verse(s) from multiple versions
Remember the highlighted words
- C Sing to the Lord (if you can't sing, read and reflect)
- C Read God's Word
Psalm for today
Proverb for today
Bible study passage for today
- C Focus for a moment on the "key thought"
Remember the highlighted words
- C Pray very specifically
- C In prayer be: (in an appropriate attitude)
- C Include: (focus on certain aspects of prayer)
- C [Praise God for His work in your behalf
- C \ Confess your wrong doings and not doings
- C Y Intercede for the needs of others
- C Z Petition God for yourself
- C ± Meditate about God's creativity
- C _ Commit to God to do something specific

Revive Us Again

We praise Thee, O God, for the Son of Thy Love,
For Jesus Who died and is now gone above.

Chorus:

Hallelujah, Thine the glory.
Hallelujah, Amen.
Hallelujah, Thine the glory.
Revive us again.

We praise Thee, O God, for Thy Spirit of light.
Who has shown us our Savior and scattered our
night.

Chorus

All glory and praise to the Lamb that was slain.
Who has borne all our sins and has cleansed every stain.

Chorus

Revive us again. Fill each heart with Thy love.
May each soul be rekindled with fire from above.

Chorus

