**Ancient of Days – Entering the Courts of Heaven – Part 3**

**Psalms 94**

God the Refuge of the Righteous

O Lord God, to whom vengeance belongs—

O God, to whom vengeance belongs, shine forth!

Rise up, O Judge of the earth;

Render punishment to the proud.

Lord, how long will the wicked,

How long will the wicked triumph?

They utter speech, and speak insolent things;

All the workers of iniquity boast in themselves.

They break in pieces Your people, O Lord,

And afflict Your heritage.

They slay the widow and the stranger,

And murder the fatherless.

Yet they say, “The Lord does not see,

Nor does the God of Jacob understand.”

Understand, you senseless among the people;

And you fools, when will you be wise?

He who planted the ear, shall He not hear?

He who formed the eye, shall He not see?

He who instructs the nations, shall He not correct,

He who teaches man knowledge?

The Lord knows the thoughts of man,

That they are futile.

Blessed is the man whom You instruct, O Lord,

And teach out of Your law,

That You may give him rest from the days of adversity,

Until the pit is dug for the wicked.

For the Lord will not cast off His people,

Nor will He forsake His inheritance.

But judgment will return to righteousness,

And all the upright in heart will follow it.

Who will rise up for me against the evildoers?

Who will stand up for me against the workers of iniquity?

Unless the Lord had been my help,

My soul would soon have settled in silence.

If I say, “My foot slips,”

Your mercy, O Lord, will hold me up.

In the multitude of my anxieties within me,

Your comforts delight my soul.

Shall the throne of iniquity, which devises evil by law,

Have fellowship with You?

They gather together against the life of the righteous,

And condemn innocent blood.

But the Lord has been my defense,

And my God the rock of my refuge.

He has brought on them their own iniquity,

And shall cut them off in their own wickedness;

The Lord our God shall cut them off.

**The Lord is a Saving Defense**

Psalm 7:8-11

Psalm 105:14-15

**Romans 11:33-36**

Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out!

“For who has known the mind of the Lord?

Or who has become His counselor?”

“Or who has first given to Him

And it shall be repaid to him?”

For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen.

**Judgment – motive and heart**

Righteous Judgment – John 7:24

Flesh judgment – Mat. 7:1-6

**1 Corinthians 4:3-5**

But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by a human court. In fact, I do not even judge myself. For I know of nothing against myself, yet I am not justified by this; but He who judges me is the Lord. Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord comes, who will both bring to light the hidden things of darkness and reveal the counsels of the hearts. Then each one's praise will come from God.

**1 Corinthians 5:12 - 6:4**

For what have I to do with judging those also who are outside? Do you not judge those who are inside? But those who are outside God judges. Therefore “put away from yourselves the evil person.”

**Chapter 6**

Dare any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unrighteous, and not before the saints? Do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if the world will be judged by you, are you unworthy to judge the smallest matters? Do you not know that we shall judge angels? How much more, things that pertain to this life? If then you have judgments concerning things pertaining to this life, do you appoint those who are least esteemed by the church to judge?

**Revelation 15:1-4**

Prelude to the Bowl Judgments

Then I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvelous:seven angels having the seven last plagues, for in them the wrath of God is complete.

And I saw something like a sea of glass mingled with fire, and those who have the victory over the beast, over his image and over his mark and over the number of his name, standing on the sea of glass, having harps of God. They sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying:

“Great and marvelous are Your works,

Lord God Almighty!

Just and true are Your ways,

O King of the saints!

Who shall not fear You, O Lord, and glorify Your name?

For You alone are holy.

For all nations shall come and worship before You,

For Your judgments have been manifested.”

**Revelation 16:7**

And I heard another from the altar saying, “Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous are Your judgments.”

**Immature judgment and wrong motives** - Luke 9:51-56

**Righteous judgment from the Spirit** – Acts 5:1-11

**Approaching the Ancient of Days**

Hebrews 11:6

“And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.”

No willful sin

No unforgiveness

Blood of Jesus

Present your case

Repentance

Discuss injustice and loss or afflictions

Present His word to Him that you are standing on

Ask God for His righteous judgments over the injustice or enemy or sickness or loss

Thank God and rejoice as you entrust all to Him by faith and trust in His righteous judgments.

Wait on the Lord.

Peace will come when you have released it to the Ancient of Days.

Psalm 59:9

Psalm 59:16-17

The Lord is faithful and will stand by your side – HE IS A SAVING DEFENSE

2 Tim. 4:17-18

Amen.