Faithful but Rejected? Psalm 44

December 4, 2022

1. The greatness of God's past deeds for His people (1-8)
2. The perplexity of God's present rejection of His people (9-22)
3. The prayer for God's future redemption of His people (23-26)
Next week: Psalm 75

Discussion Questions

The following questions are designed to be used by parents in discussing the sermon with their children, but can be used by anyone in discussing the sermon with others:

- 1. What stood out to you in this sermon? Why?
- 2. Who were the Sons of Korah?
- 3. What are some examples from the exodus out of Egypt under Moses, and the conquest of the Promised Land under Joshua, in which the Lord worked miracles in order to free Israel and give them victory?
- 4. Why was the psalmist perplexed?
- 5. What is meant in verse 26 by the words, "Redeem us"?

Going Deeper:

These questions are designed for the believer to use in prayer with his/her Lord, and in discussion with brothers and sisters in the Lord:

- 1. How did this sermon challenge your thinking, or grow your understanding?
- 2. What is meant in verse 22 by the words, "Yet for your sake"?
- 3. Why does the apostle Paul quote Psalm 44:22 in Romans 8:36?
- 4. God seemingly rejected His people for a period of time, not because of unfaithfulness on their part, but for His hidden purpose. How ought this to affect our lives when we suffer?
- 5. What does this psalm teach about God?
- 6. How does the reference to God's steadfast love at the end of the psalm give us hope?
- 7. What does this psalm teach us to do when we experience perplexing suffering? What do we sometimes do instead?
- 8. What is the primary way you should be affected by this psalm this week?