

INTRODUCTION

- A. THE PSALMS OF ASCENTS** (120-134; *geographical, spiritual*; perh. architectural, literary, vocal;; 2Chr8:13; Ps24:3; Hb12:22f)
- B. INDIVIDUAL & CORPORATE** (1 & 2-4; see Heb.7:25)
- C. CONFESSION & PETITION** (1,2 & 3,4)

I. CONFESSION (1,2)

- A. ASCENT UNTO GOD WITH THE EYES** (1a; 121:1; see Eph.1:18; Acts 26:18; Heb.12:22f)
- B. THE ONE DWELLING IN HEAVEN** (1b; 121:1,2; 57:3; see Is.66:1; Heb.12:22f; Eph.1:20f; see Mt.6:9)
- C. SEE THIS PICTURE: THE EYES HAVE IT** (2a; see Mt.7:7f)
- D. EVERYONE: MEN & WOMEN; ALL & EACH** (2a,b; Mt.7:8=Lk.11:10)
- E. COVENANTED: THE LORD OUR GOD** (2c; see Mt.6:9; see Ex.6:7; Ps.119:94; Is.43:1; Eph.1:3f; 3:14f)
- F. LONGING EYES: LOOK TO THE HAND FOR A GIFT** (2d; see 2Kngs.8:8; 2Tm.1:6)
- G. UNTIL: ENDURANCE OF FAITH** (2d; see Lk.15:20; Rm8:19,23,25; Heb.11:1f,13f,39f; Jms5:11; 1Pt5:6f; 2Pt3:14f)

II. PETITION (3,4)

- A. GIFTS IN FAITHFULNESS** (3a,2; see 109:26; Lam.3:32)
- B. OUR NEED: DELIVERANCE** (3,4; 124:3f; 31:15; see Mt.6:11; see Ps.109:26; Lam.3:32)
 - 1. greatly filled: enough; no more (3b,4a; see Ps.88:4; Is.1:11)
 - 2. contempt: worthlessness (3b,4c; see 31:19; Lk.18:9)
 - 3. scoffing: ridicule (4b; see 73:8; Lk.14:30f; Mt.27:29f; 2Pt.3:3)
 - 4. at ease: no problems (4b; 73:4,5; Job 12:5; Zech.1:15)
 - 5. proud: all good (4c; 73:6f; 31:18; Lk.18:9; Rom.1:30; 2Tm.3:2)

III. JUST WAIT UNTIL... (2d, 1-4 /Lk.15:20; Rm8:19,23,25; Heb.11:1f,13f,39f; Jms5:11; 1Pt(all!)5:6f; 2Pt3:14f)

Brethren, what shall WE DO? (see Acts 2:37f)