

## He Satisfies the Longing Soul

Scripture: Psalm 107:7-14 (NKJV)

Date: March 15, 2021

Message:

*For He satisfies the longing soul and fills the hungry soul with goodness.*

*Psalm 107:9*

Friends, please take to heart the words from the Psalm passage today. God is our strength and refuge, a constant help in times of despair and distress. As I write these words in the midst of a global pandemic, the day after the events of Washington DC, during the certifying of the results of the Electoral College, and as we approach our denomination's General Conference where division has been proposed, we need to be in prayer to Almighty God! Pray for unity in the many places where there are divisions. Pray for Love of our fellow church members, pray for our Country and our leaders and ask God to satisfy the longing in our souls.

The longing in our soul can only be filled through the spiritual part of our psyche. Spend time in prayer, meditate on the scriptures and live a life reflecting the love of Christ to our neighbors. And who is our neighbor? Jesus told a parable about the "Good Samaritan" (wait a minute – Samaritans? They were hated by the Jewish people, there weren't any "Good" Samaritans). But, Jesus knew differently.

*Oh, that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men!* Psalm 107: 8

We get ourselves in trouble when we judge others. God is the judge, only God knows the true hearts of people. Which prayer did God hear when the Pharisee and the Tax Collector (Luke 18: 9-14) prayed in the Temple? Or how is the Kingdom of God like a field where the wheat and the weeds grow TOGETHER? Christians are not an island to ourselves, basically we are just one beggar telling (hopefully) another beggar where to find (spiritual) food. How much mercy will God show me, if I show no mercy to others?

Prayer: *Dear Lord, we pray for our world, our country and Your church! We pray for a spirit of cooperation and tolerance as we live together with our neighbors. Help us be a light for our neighbors as we show them the Love of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.*

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