Psalm 3; June 7, 20011; A Prayer For Protection in Trouble

ANALYSIS: 1. What did many say about David as he fled from Absalom?
2. What do we use for the LORD to come from His holy hill to help us?
3. When did David pray verses 3 & 4?
4. As David awoke to face the dangers of a new day, what words show the peace and courage the LORD gave him?

5. What did God do to David's many enemies to rescue him from them?

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

Psalms 3, 4, 5 are prayers of the evening and morning. David trusted the LORD, even when he faced many enemies. He could go to bed after praying verses 3 & 4 and sleep in perfect peace because he put his total trust in the LORD as his shield and protector. "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee. Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength" (Is 26:3-4).

David's trust in the LORD'S protection is so positive and certain, he speaks of his future complete deliverance as being in the past tense, "Thou hast smitten all mine enemies" (v 7). What has you down right now? What are you afraid of? Cry unto Him about your situation, and go to bed and let HIM take care of you. He can do better with you leaving the matter up to Him, than if you fret, fuss and worry about it. And let us pray believing!

HELP:

- 1. They said, "There is no help for him in God" (v 2).
- 2. We must use our voice, for we cry unto the LORD in prayer (v 4).
- 3. David prayed at night as he lay down for needed sleep (v 5).
- 4. David said, I slept, I awaked, the LORD sustained me, I will not be afraid (vs 5-6).
- 5. The LORD smashed their cheek bone, and He broke their teeth (v 7).