## PSALM 5; June 9; A Righteous Man's Prayer & Expectation

| ANALYSIS:  1. What words indicate the serious intensity of David's praying?                   |
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| 2. When is this prayer spoken?  |
| 3. Into what way, and for what reason, does David ask the LORD to lead him?                   |
| 4. How many words describe the character and deeds of those the LORD hates?                   |
| 5. How many reasons are given in verses 11-12 for the righteous being jubilant and confident? |

## THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

The righteous Psalmist requests that God will let the very wickedness of evil men destroy them (vs 9-10). A righteous person abhors the wicked because they dishonor his glorious benevolent King and God. This request is justified in the light of the fact that while wicked men bring much undeserved suffering upon the righteous, their greater guilt is in their rebellion against their Creator.

We live in a most unrighteous society. What is right and truth by God's unchanging standard has been rejected and corrupted. Let us daily pray with the Psalmist, "Lead me, O LORD, in thy righteousness .. make thy way straight before my face" (v 8). We can bring honor and glory to the LORD God by living righteously.

## HELP:

- 1. Give ear, consider, hearken, my cry, I pray, my voice, in the morning (twice), my prayer, look up (vs 1-3).
- 2. In the morning (twice) (v 3).
- 3. In thy way straight before my face, because of my enemies (v 8).
- 4. Wickedness, evil, foolish, workers of iniquity, speaking leasing, bloody & deceitful man (vs 4-6), no faithfulness in their mouth, very wickedness, their throat is an open sepulcher, flatter, transgressions, rebelled (vs 9-10).
- 5. The LORD defendest them, the LORD wilt bless them, with favour the LORD compasseth him as with a shield (vs 11-12).