PSALM 14; June 18; God Describes the Fool

ANALYSIS: 1. What name does the LORD give to a person who says, "There is no God"?
2. How is a person described who denies there is a God?
3. What did the LORD find when He looked upon degenerate mankind?
4. What evil treatment have workers of iniquity brought upon the LORD'S people?
5. Where is God and how is His help seen in this chapter?

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

his Psalm reappears in Psalm 53. This description of degenerate and unrighteous men in verses 1-3 appears in Romans 3:10-12 where every person is declared to be under condemnation as a sinner. By this N. T. endorsement we understand this refers to all mankind and not just a period of extreme moral decay in Israel. David ends the Psalm expressing his expectation for salvation from some captivity as the hope of Israel.

Let us be constantly rejoicing in the individual salvation our personal Savior the Lord Jesus Christ has bestowed upon us!

HELP:

- 1. A fool (v 1).
- 2. They are corrupt (in their thoughts), they do abominable works (they violate God's laws), they do not do good (they are incapable of doing good) (v 1).
- 3. They are all gone astray, altogether filthy, none doing good, no, not one (v 3).
- 4. They eat up (harm and destroy) the LORD'S people as they eat bread, and shame the counsel of the poor (v 4, 6).
- 5. God is in the generation of the righteous, the LORD is his refuge, the LORD will bring back the captivity of His people (v 5-7).