

HELP FOR A TIME OF DESOLATION

PSALM 61

Introduction:

When life becomes desolate, God is the only one who can help. We have access to this help in the Lord through prayer.

What does it mean to be desolate? For David it meant to be cut off from access to the tabernacle. Absalom had forced him to leave his home in Jerusalem, but more seriously he had forced him to leave the tabernacle where his soul was renewed through worship daily.

What does it mean to be desolate? It means to be almost overwhelmed by the problems and dangers that you face. There is help for the desolate.

I. THE LORD PROVIDES HELP TO THE DESOLATE.

1. On the Rock.
2. Under His wings.
3. Through His goodness.

II. OUR FAITH RECEIVES HIS HELP.

1. Through believing prayer.
2. Through persistent trust.
3. Through claiming His promises.

III. OUR PRAISE CELEBRATES HIS HELP.

1. Words of praise.

2. Deeds of praise.