

WHEN THE WICKED ARE IN POWER

PSALM 10

Introduction:

The wicked sometimes gain the place of power in the market place.

They sometimes gain the place of power in the government.

This always spells trouble for those who want to live godly and peaceful lives. This prayer reveals the response of one man of faith to such a circumstance.

I. WHEN THE WICKED ARE IN POWER, GOD MAY APPEAR TO BE INDIFFERENT.

1. Their renunciation of God goes unchallenged (v. 1-4)
2. Their evil deeds go unpunished (v. 5-7).

II. WHEN THE WICKED ARE IN POWER, THEY TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE WEAK. (v. 8-11)

1. They exploit the weakness of the righteous.
2. They ignore the law of God.

III. WHEN THE WICKED ARE IN POWER, PRAYER IS THE BEST RESPONSE. (v. 12-18)

1. Because God does know (v. 14)
2. Because God helps the weak (v. 14)
3. Because God rules (v. 16)
4. Because God hears (v. 17-18)