

Psalm 12:1-8
"Save, O LORD"

Intro: "An anatomy of all the parts of the soul"

1. David's prayer for the LORD'S deliverance as he considers the absence of the godly and the presence of the ungodly with all their sinful speech.

-*"Save, O LORD"*: A cry for the LORD'S deliverance.

-David in Psalm 12: Obviously felt much like Elijah in 1 Kings 19.

-Psalms 11 & 12: Most likely go together and remind us that when we get alone with God and take refuge in Him, we should then cry out to Him with a prayer of, "Save, O LORD."

-*"Everyone utters lies to his neighbor"*: Near akin to Isaiah's words that 'truth has stumbled in the streets.'

-The word translated as 'lies': Really refers to 'vanity' or 'emptiness.'

-Key words from Jesus: "For this reason I was born and for this reason I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to Me."

-The contrast to the divided heart: The united heart that fears and reverences the name of the LORD.

-Flattery: A form of lying that flows out of a double heart.

2. David's consideration of the comforting, refining, and holy words of the LORD.

-The Psalms: Filled with prayers followed by the LORD'S response to those prayers.

-Verse 5: could be illustrated from the 2nd and 3rd chapters of Exodus.

-The one doctrine upon which every other doctrine stands for falls: The doctrine of the inspiration of Scripture.

3. David's full confidence in God.

-Evidence that David was changed by God in his circumstances: David goes from stating that the godly have vanished to speaking of how God will guard us (plural) forever.

-A reason for praise to God: He faithfully guards His people throughout all generations.

-Personal Application: