COMPLICATIONS OF <u>&</u> COUNTERACTIONS FOR THE JOURNEY! PSALM 132

Psalms 132 is obviously the longest of the Degree | Ascent | Pilgrim Psalms and the primary one that helps us take and make the journey despite the many possible obstacles...difficulties...& complications!

<u>2 Peter 2:22</u> But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned <u>to</u> his own vomit again; <u>and</u> the sow that was washed <u>to</u> her wallowing in the mire.

Exodus 23:14 Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year.

Exodus 23:17 Three times in the year all thy males shall appear before the Lord God.

We are commanded to go up to Jerusalem 3x per year (Heavenly & New Jerusalem for us) regardless!!!

How does this Psalm inform us?

1. Praying!

Psalm 132:1 LORD, Remember David, And all his afflictions:

Psalm 132:2 How he sware unto the LORD, And vowed unto the mighty God of Jacob;

Psalm 132:3 Surely I will not come into the tabernacle of my house, Nor go up into my bed;

Psalm 132:4 I will not give sleep to mine eyes, Or slumber to mine eyelids,

Psalm 132:5 Until I find out a place for the LORD, An habitation for the mighty God of Jacob.

This seems rather simple but we are <u>all</u> human and <u>only</u> human! Prayer doesn't come naturally.

- > Praying that God remembers David
- > Specifically David's great desire

1 Kings 8:18 And the LORD said unto David my father, Whereas it was in thine heart to build an house unto my name, thou didst well that it was in thine heart.

- > David's great desire had at least 3 parts:
- A. Bringing up / again the Ark
- B. Building the temple
- C. Prepares for the Temple!
 - > David was **never** allowed to build it
 - > David was allowed to prepare for the temple
- <u>1 Chronicles 22:3</u> And **David prepared** iron in abundance for the nails for the doors of the gates, and for the joinings; and brass in abundance without weight;
- <u>1 Chronicles 22:5</u> And David said, Solomon my son is young and tender, and the house that is to be builded for the LORD must be exceeding magnifical, of fame and of glory throughout all countries: I will therefore now make preparation for it. So David prepared abundantly before his death.
- <u>1 Chronicles 22:14</u> Now, behold, in my trouble **I have prepared for the house of the LORD** an hundred thousand talents of gold, and a thousand talents of silver; and of brass and iron without weight; for it is in abundance: timber also and stone **have I prepared**; and thou mayest add thereto.
- <u>1 Chronicles 29:2</u> Now I have prepared with all my might for the house of my God the gold for things to be made of gold, and the silver for things of silver, and the brass for things of brass, the iron for things of iron, and wood for things of wood; onyx stones, and stones to be set, glistering stones, and of divers colours, and all manner of precious stones, and marble stones in abundance.

<u>1 Chronicles 29:3</u> Moreover, <u>because</u> I have set my affection to the house of my God, I have of mine own proper good, of gold and silver, which I have given to the house of my God, over and above all that I have prepared for the holy house,

<u>1 Chronicles 29:16</u> O LORD our God, all this store that we have prepared to build thee an house for thine holy name cometh of thine hand, and is all thine own.

- That David made vows
- > That those vows cost him greatly! (Not idle boasts)

2. Joining!

<u>Psalm 132:6</u> Lo, we <u>heard</u> of it at Ephratah: We <u>found</u> it in the fields of the wood.

<u>Psalm 132:7</u> We will <u>go</u> into his tabernacles: We will <u>worship</u> at his footstool.

I love the sense of joy & discovery!

The joy & discovery of things like...

- > We must hear
- **▶** We must find
- **▶** We must join
- > We join with others
- ➤ We journey together
- > We can't go it alone
- ➤ Worship is always an "I" and a "we!"

3. Praying some more!

Psalm 132:8 Arise, O LORD, into thy rest; Thou, and the ark of thy strength.

<u>Psalm 132:9</u> <u>Let</u> thy priests be clothed with righteousness; And <u>let</u> thy saints shout for joy.

<u>Psalm 132:10</u> For thy servant David's sake Turn <u>not</u> away the face of thine anointed.

4. Knowing...believing...trusting...obeying!

<u>Psalm 132:11</u> The LORD <u>hath sworn</u> in truth unto David; He will <u>not</u> turn from it; Of the fruit of thy body will I set upon thy throne.

<u>Psalm 132:12</u> <u>If</u> thy children will keep my covenant And my testimony that I shall teach them, Their children shall also sit upon thy throne for evermore.

Psalm 132:13 For the LORD hath chosen Zion; He hath desired it for his habitation.

Psalm 132:14 This is my rest for ever: Here will I dwell; for I have desired it.

Psalm 132:15 I will abundantly bless her provision: I will satisfy her poor with bread.

Psalm 132:16 I will also clothe her priests with salvation: And her saints shall shout aloud for joy.

Psalm 132:17 There will I make the horn of David to bud: I have ordained a lamp for mine anointed.

Psalm 132:18 His enemies will I clothe with shame: But upon himself shall his crown flourish.

John 13:17 If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

John 14:15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.

Matthew 1:21 And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

<u>Luke 1:31</u> And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. <u>Luke 1:32</u> He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him <u>the throne</u> of his father David: <u>Luke 1:33</u> And he shall reign over <u>the house</u> of Jacob for ever; and of <u>his kingdom</u> there shall be no end.

Luke 1:68-75