

Psalm 107: Profiles of Redemption

Understanding God's Great Love Through Adversity

Corrupt Identity:	Drifter [verses 4-9]	Mutineer [verses 10-16]	Pirate [verses 17-22]	Merchant [verses 23-32]
God's Plan for All verses 1-3	All over the world let those who were redeemed from the foe say this: "Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, and his love endures forever."			
World View	agnostic; "All my life is a circle"	rebellious; "It would be better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the desert!"	hedonistic; "Eat, drink and be merry, for tomorrow we die"	self-reliance; "God helps those who help themselves"
"Word"-view	ignorant or selective	rejects (and replaces)	ignores or disregards	dualistic (compartmentalize)
Consequence	starved of Truth, Nihilistic (5)	judged by their own standard (12)	hates life, injured (18)	uncontrollable calamity (26-27)
The Common Plea	Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.			
Means of Deliverance	7 He led them by a <u>straight</u> way to... where they could settle.	14 He brought them out of darkness and the deepest gloom and broke away their chains.	20 He sent forth his word and healed them; he rescued them from the grave.	29-30 He stilled the storm to a whisper.. They were glad when it grew calm, and he guided them to their <u>desired</u> haven.
Common Imperative	Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men,			
New Experience/ Living	8-9 for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.	15-16 for he breaks down gates of bronze and cuts through bars of iron.	21-22 Let them sacrifice thank offerings and tell of his works with songs of joy.	31-32 Let them exalt him in the assembly of the people and praise him in the council of the elders.
Means of God's Remedy	Counter their austere view of God with good things	Show Mercy (from divine judgment)	Call them to worship not idols but God	Call them to integrate belief into public view
Redeemed Identity	God's Rock	God's Servant	God's Minstrel	God's Witness
Conclusion	33-42 God turns his blessings into waste, because of the wickedness of men. God turns waste into blessings so we can live and settle. Man worked the blessings and God blesses them more God humbles through oppression and sorrow and lifts the needy out of their affliction. The upright see and rejoice, the wicked are silenced 43 Who is wise? Such a person should take this to heart (learn it) and come to understand God's great love.			