

11-16-2025 Sunday Sermon Message

Meditation of the Week: Psalm 91:1-16

Text: Psalm 12:1-5

Title: **I will rise up because of the oppression of the poor and the groaning of the needy**

When the apostle Peter preached to the Jews, he testified that the resurrected Jesus sat at the right hand of the throne of the Heavenly Father:

"For David is not ascended into the heavens: but he saith himself, The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand,
³⁵ Until I make thy foes thy footstool."(Acts 2:34-35)

When Jesus was about to turn around and die, He got up and tried to come, but He did not come because He heard Stephen's prayer for forgiveness:

" But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God,
⁵⁶ And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God."(Acts 7:55-56)

King David prophesied that in the last days, when he saw that the godly would be cut off, and the faithful would disappear from the offspring of men, and that each of them would speak vain to his neighbor, with flattering lips and two hearts, and that they would no longer fear God, that God no longer had control over them, that they would oppress the people, and that they would groan in poverty and need, and that He would finally stand up:

"For the oppression of the poor, for the sighing of the needy, now will I arise, saith the Lord; I will set him in safety from him that puffeth at him.(Psalm 12:5)

He said that He would rise up to judge those who persecute the ungodly and make them suffer in poverty, and He would avenge them for them.

The prophet Isaiah witnessed and prophesied when he saw the Lord coming down from heaven to take revenge:

" Oh that thou wouldst rend the heavens, that thou wouldst come down, that the mountains might flow down at thy presence,
² As when the melting fire burneth, the fire causeth the waters to boil, to make thy name known to thine adversaries, that the nations may tremble at thy presence!
³ When thou didst terrible things which we looked not for, thou camest down, the mountains flowed down at thy presence."(Isaiah 64:1-3)

Isaiah said that no one would know that this would happen:

"For since the beginning of the world men have not heard, nor perceived by the ear, neither hath the eye seen, O God, beside thee, what he hath prepared for him that waiteth for him."(Isaiah 64:4)

He said that only those who wait for the coming of the Lord can know what is to come. The apostle Paul gave the same witness in this regard:

"But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.
¹⁰ But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.
¹¹ For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God."(1 Corinthians 2:9-11)

The prophet Isaiah testified that the Lord is coming to take revenge on the world:

"Who is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? this that is glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save.

² Wherefore art thou red in thine apparel, and thy garments like him that treadeth in the winefat?

³ I have trodden the winepress alone; and of the people there was none with me: for I will tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury; and their blood shall be sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment.

⁴ For the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come.

⁵ And I looked, and there was none to help; and I wondered that there was none to uphold: therefore mine own arm brought salvation unto me; and my fury, it upheld me.

⁶ And I will tread down the people in mine anger, and make them drunk in my fury, and I will bring down their strength to the earth."(Isaiah 63:1-6)

Jesus said that when he comes back into the world, it will be like Noah's day:

" But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.

³⁷ But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

³⁸ For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,

³⁹ And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be."(Matthew 24:36-39)

God was merciful of the creation of man in Noah's days. He was generous when He saw that the people He created had forgotten the grace

God had given to them and lived only for themselves without thanking God.

Looking back on the past 6,000 years of human history, people do not look for the grace God has given them in God's eyes, but they are only focused on developing technology, completely ignoring the welfare that should be given to those who are made in God's image, and only taking advantage of the technology they have created, so that the people become victims of the technology they have created and suffer in poverty and deprivation.

However, just as everyone except Noah's family was judged by a flood while living away from the God who created them in the old days of Noah, the world soon reached a point where the AI they created did not obey their commands, but rather the AI dominated people. In the end, they will reap what they sow.

Seeby Peter said that the future judgment will not be judged by flood, but by fire. Now we have no choice but to burn all the technology we have created:

" But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

¹¹ Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness,

¹² Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

¹³ Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness."(2 Peter 3:10-13)

Amen! Hallelujah!