"Give Thanks for Deliverance"

Introduction

We have all faced troubles in our lives. Whether marital problems, family problems, work related problems, or problems of the heart deliverance from these situations is usually welcomed. Who is your go to source for deliverance? You can find solace in knowing that the God of heaven and earth is the ultimate deliverer and redeemer.

Today's Lesson Objectives

- **Explore** the importance of having a relationship with God
- **Place** value on the role of giving thanks to God
- **Pray** for those who need God's deliverance

Scripture

Psalm 107:1-9, 39-43 (KJV)

Devotional Reading:

Psalm 68:1-6

About Today's Lesson...

Has God ever delivered you from great trouble or hardship? If so, what was your response? As Christians, we should constantly thank God for his everlasting mercy and his grace. God is our deliverer and redeemer and we should always thank him for who He is.

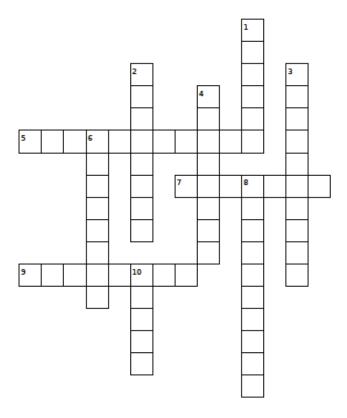
In this weeks lesson, Psalm 107 is explored as a celebratory psalm that reflects the Jews' return from captivity in Babylon. The writer exhorts the returning exiles to thank and praise God as their deliverer and redeemer. God cared for them and kept them on a straight path as they journeyed home. The actions of their enemies were painfully stifled and the oppressed were uplifted.

<u>To help you prepare for this lesson, see if you can</u> <u>complete the crossword puzzle on the next page</u> (Hint: all answers can be found within the main Scripture passage for this lesson - see the top of page 31 in your lesson book). The answers to the crossword puzzle will be given during class.

<u>Note:</u> You can either print the puzzle and then enter your responses directly into the puzzle (preferred) or you can just write the corresponding responses on a sheet of paper.

Have fun !

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Down:

- to express warm approval or admiration of
- 2. saved from sin, error, or evil
- 3. something that causes pain or suffering
- 4. to walk or move slowly in a casual or aimless way
- 6. immoral or grossly unfair behavior
- 8. prolonged cruel or unjust treatment or control
- 10. compassion or forgiveness shown toward someone by God

Across:

- 5. the act of being rescued or set free
- 7. to feel or show great joy or delight
- 9. worthlessness, disrespect

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