

Psalm 22:5

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

They cried unto thee, and were delivered: they trusted in thee, and were not confounded.

Analysis

The ancestors' crying and deliverance establishes the pattern: trust + cry = deliverance without shame. The word 'confounded' (bosh) means put to shame or disappointed. God's covenant faithfulness ensures that those who genuinely trust Him will ultimately not be disappointed (Rom. 10:11). This verse anchors present suffering in past precedent, demonstrating that God's track record validates current trust despite present darkness.

Historical Context

Israel's liturgical memory rehearsed God's salvific acts—Passover, Red Sea crossing, entrance into Canaan. These historical deliverances became theological foundations for trusting God in new crises. The past informs the future through present faith.

Related Passages

Psalm 19:1 — Heavens declare God's glory

Genesis 1:1 — Creation of heavens and earth

Study Questions

1. How does God's historical faithfulness inform your expectations for current trials?
2. In what ways have you seen that genuine trust in God never ultimately disappoints?

Interlinear Text

וְלֹא בָּטַח וְאֶל יְהֹוָה יְמַלֵּא וְיָמָלֵא יְמִינָה

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They cried

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unto thee and were delivered

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they trusted

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in thee and were not confounded

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Additional Cross-References

Romans 10:11 (Faith): For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

Isaiah 49:23 (Parallel theme): And kings shall be thy nursing fathers, and their queens thy nursing mothers: they shall bow down to thee with their face toward the earth, and lick up the dust of thy feet; and thou shalt know that I am the LORD: for they shall not be ashamed that wait for me.

Romans 9:33 (Faith): As it is written, Behold, I lay in Sion a stumblingstone and rock of offence: and whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

1 Peter 2:6 (Faith): Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.

Isaiah 45:17 (Parallel theme): But Israel shall be saved in the LORD with an everlasting salvation: ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded world without end.

Psalms 71:1 (Faith): In thee, O LORD, do I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion.

Psalms 106:44 (Parallel theme): Nevertheless he regarded their affliction, when he heard their cry:

Psalms 31:1 (Faith): In thee, O LORD, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in thy righteousness.

Judges 6:6 (Parallel theme): And Israel was greatly impoverished because of the Midianites; and the children of Israel cried unto the LORD.

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