

*The  
Teacher  
Of  
Sinners*

*Psalm 25:1-8*

## **Psalm 25:1-8**

**1 Unto thee, O LORD, do I lift up my soul.**

**2 O my God, I trust in thee: let me not be ashamed, let not mine enemies triumph over me.**

**3 Yea, let none that wait on thee be ashamed: let them be ashamed which transgress without cause.**

**4 Shew me thy ways, O LORD; teach me thy paths.**

**5 Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day.**

## **Psalm 25:1-8 - continued**

**6 Remember, O LORD, thy tender mercies and thy lovingkindnesses; for they have been ever of old.**

**7 Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions: according to thy mercy remember thou me for thy goodness' sake, O LORD.**

**8 Good and upright is the LORD: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.**

# **Introduction**

**A. The good news of grace is that God loves sinners**

**1. God is good**

**2. God is upright**

**B. God teaches sinners the way to eternal life**

**1. God meets us where we are in sin**

**2. Through grace, God lifts us to where we ought to be**

# **I. God Teaches Sinners Through The Message Of The Cross**

## **A. Reconciliation to God is through the Cross**

**Ephesians 2:16**

**And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body  
by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby:**

## **B. God has proven His love to us at the Cross**

**Romans 5:8**

**But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while  
we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.**

# **I. God Teaches Sinners Through The Message Of The Cross**

**D. The cross divides humanity into saved and lost  
Luke 23:39-43**

**39 And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us.**

**40 But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation?**

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**C. The cross divides humanity into saved and lost  
Luke 23:39-43 - continued**

**41 And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward  
of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss.**

**42 And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when  
thou comest into thy kingdom.**

**43 And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee,  
Today shalt thou be with me in paradise.**

**On which side of the Cross are you?**

## **II. God Teaches Sinners Through The Lives of Christians**

**A. We are to shine as lights in the world**

**Philippians 2:15**

**That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world;**



## **II. God Teaches Sinners Through The Lives of Christians**

**B. We are living epistles for all to read**

**2 Corinthians 3:2**

**Ye are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read of all men:**

- 1. The responsibility of Christians is to be consistent**
- 2. Hypocrisy should have no place in our lives**
- 3. Others are watching, their souls are at stake**

### **III. God Teaches Sinners Through Circumstances in Their Lives**

#### **A. Paul met Christ in a crisis on the road to Damascus**

**1. He was proud, self-centered, religious, and lost**

**James 4:6**

**But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.**

### **III. God Teaches Sinners Through Circumstances in Their Lives**

#### **A. Paul met Christ in a crisis on the road to Damascus (continued)**

**2. This experience brought him to the end of himself  
Ephesians 2:12**

**That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world:**

# **III. God Teaches Sinners Through Circumstances in Their Lives**

## **A. Paul met Christ in a crisis on the road to Damascus (continued)**

**3. Meeting Jesus in this crisis brought him salvation**

**Acts 9:17**

**And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.**

### **III. God Teaches Sinners Through Circumstances in Their Lives**

#### **A. Paul met Christ in a crisis on the road to Damascus (continued)**

##### **4. Salvation changed the direction of his life**

**Acts 9:18-19**

**18 And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.**

**19 And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damascus.**

### **III. God Teaches Sinners Through Circumstances in Their Lives**

**B. The Philippian jailor believed because of an earthquake**

- 1. He thought all the prisoners had escaped**
- 2. The prisoners being present prompted his question**
- 3. “What must I do to be saved?”**

**What circumstances has caused you to see your need for Christ?**

**God Is Reaching Out To You Today!!**