# **Bold Prayers from a Thirsty Soul**

Psalm 143

### **HEAR MY PRAYER, O LORD!**

143:1-6

David's bold request is based on the faithfulness and righteousness of the Lord.

David is quick to recognize his sin against the Lord, confess it, and trust he has been forgiven.

David's confidence comes from knowing the Lord's character and remembering His goodness.

## **ANSWER ME QUICKLY, O LORD!**

143:7-8

David is desperate, but he knows to look up and to cry out to the Lord.

The stress brought on by David's dire circumstances causes him to feel distant from the Lord.

David pleads with the Lord to make His presence known and to instruct and guide him.

## **DELIVER ME FROM MY ENEMIES, O LORD!**

143:9-12

David's pleas for deliverance are based on the Lord's character:

- \*Teach me your ways because you are sovereign above all.
  - \*Preserve my life so others will know your great name.
- \*Because of your righteousness restore my troubled soul.
- \*In your steadfast love protect me from my enemies.

As the Lord's servant, David trusts the Lord and His plans for him.

David's soul thirsts for a renewed, restored, and right relationship with his Heavenly Father.

### TO BOLDLY APPROACH THE LORD WITH YOUR PRAYERS:

1. Be quick to confess your sin and remember God's	
2. Make a	with the Lord your number one priority.
3. Base your bold requests on	the Lord's
4. Trust the Lord and His	for your life.

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ROMANS 4:3-8 For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness." Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works: "Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered; blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin."

1 JOHN 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

NUMBERS 6:24-26 The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

PSALM 139:7-10 Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there! If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me.

PSALM 107:8-9 (NIV) Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.

JOHN 4:13-14 Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."