

TESTING BY TASTING. Ps. 34:8

I. A Wonderful Truth. "The Lord is Good"

1. In answering Prayer, v. 4

A. Deliverance from Fear, v. 4

B. Saved from Troubles, v. 6

2. In His Providence & Protection, v. 7

3. In His Gracious Redemption, v. 8

A. The angel of the Lord (v. 9) = Christ

(1). Jehovah's representative in His relationship with men.

God in angelic form. (Gen. 16:1-7)

(2). Called also the Angel of His Presence, Isa. 53:9.

(3). The Captain of Jehovah's host,

Josh. 5:14

B. Redemption finished on the Cross.

C. The Means of our Receiving it.

(1). Repentance of humility, v. 18.

Conviction & sorrow for sin must crush and break down all self-righteous pride, and replace it with true humility

(2). Faith & trust in Christ.

In I Peter 2:3, "The Lord" is applied to Christ.

II. A Great Blessing - "Blessed is the man who trusts in Him"

1. The Blessing of Pardon
2. The Blessing of Peace
3. The Blessing of the Presence of God
4. The Blessing of Provision, vs. 9, 10

III. An Urgent Invitation, "Taste + See"

1. One of the great words of the gospel is the word "come." (Jn. 1:39)
2. We must come to Christ in order to Taste and see.
3. The proof of the pudding is in the eating.
The Test of the gospel is in the Tasting.
4. How we Taste and see.
 - A. Read and study the word of God.
 - B. Give God a chance in your life.
 - C. Accept Christ as your own personal Savior.
 - D. Surrender your ALL to HIM.