

# Having A Basic Understanding of Some Old Testament Truths

## *Part 95 – The Psalmist, Not Jesus, Was Separated From God (Psalms 22)*

*\*\*\*Because Psalms 22:1 is quoted by Jesus and is often thought to be Jesus literally being forsaken by God, we are going to study this chapter in more detail. This is certainly a course containing meat, so do not feel overwhelmed. We shall see simplicity, though we will be challenged too. This context is certainly unclear and some of it does apply to Jesus. Remember, this was a mystery and was not necessarily meant to be understood at the time it was written (**I Peter 1:10-12**). We now have a benefit in having the mystery unveiled (**Ephesians 1:9; 3:3-10** and **Colossians 1:26-27**).\*\*\**

1. Where, in the Scriptures, does Jesus quote Psalms 22:1?
2. What was happening to Jesus when He quoted Psalms 22:1?
3. What causes man to be separated from God, so that God will not hear man?
4. Did Jesus ever sin to be forsaken by God?
5. Did Jesus ever fear being forsaken by God?
6. Do the righteous need to fear being forsaken by God?
7. In the book of Psalms, do we find a Psalmist fearing being forsaken by God?
8. Does Psalms 22:2 point to one single occurrence or multiple times when God did not hear the author of this text?

9. Does the Psalmist see that God has been with those who trusted Him in times past?
10. Whether it is the Psalmist, Jesus, or a reference to both; how is the one discussed in verses 6-8 looked upon by man?
11. Who does the Psalmist credit for his birth?
12. What did the Psalmist ask as the bulls from Bashan surrounded him?
13. How strong is the Psalmist as they gape upon him with their mouths?
14. Can you apply Psalms 22:16 to Jesus?
15. Can you apply Psalms 22:17-18 to Jesus?
16. Does Psalms 22:19-21 apply to Jesus?
17. Does Psalms 22:22 apply to Jesus?
18. As Psalms 22 concludes, has the tone changed from verses 1-2?