

# **"Soul Food" from the Psalms (115-118)**

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## **EVENING DEVOTION: "This Is The Day!"**

*Psalm 118 is a beautiful hymn of thanksgiving, one of the most loved and most recited of all the Psalms. It is both praise and prayer; both personal and national; both historical and prophetic. Before and during the time of Christ, Psalm 118 was commonly recited and sung by Jews while they made their way to Jerusalem for the Passover and the Feast of Tabernacles. But on one particular Passover, around AD 30, these words would take on their true meaning and their full purpose! You see, with Psalm 118 on their lips, the Jews were ushering into Jerusalem the One Who would fulfill this Psalm in its every detail! What a day! What a week! What a Savior!*

## **UNPACKING PSALM 118**

- A. Opening "Bookend" (1)
- B. The Psalmist's "\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_" (2-4)
- C. The Psalmist's \_\_\_\_\_ (5-18)
  - 1) Answered prayer (5)
  - 2) \_\_\_\_\_ and security in the LORD (6-7) See Psalm 56:4,11; 23:4; Heb 13:5-6; Rom 8:31-39
  - 3) A \_\_\_\_\_ of God's redemption of Israel (14-16) See Exodus 15:1-2
- D. The \_\_\_\_\_ to God's Temple (19-28)
  - 1) Entering His \_\_\_\_\_ (19-20) See Psalm 100:4; 122:1-2
  - 2) Personal thanks for \_\_\_\_\_ (21) See v14
  - 3) The \_\_\_\_\_ Cornerstone!! (22-23) See Isaiah 28:16; Mat 21:42; Acts 4:11-12; 1 Peter 2:4-7; Eph 2:19-20; Acts 2:23; Isa 53:3-6,10-12; John 1:9-11)
  - 4) "This is the day!" A day of \_\_\_\_\_! A day of \_\_\_\_\_! A day of \_\_\_\_\_! A day of \_\_\_\_\_! (24-27) See Mat 21:9; Mark 11:9; Luke 19:37-38; John 12:12-13; Num 6:24-26
  - 5) "You are \_\_\_\_\_ God!" (28) Reminiscent of Thomas' affirmation in John 20:28!
- E. Closing "bookend" (29)