



March 8, 2011 - Psalm 143:10

Hi everyone,

Lately I have heard from several of you concerning how powerful this chapter has been in your lives. I can certainly relate as it has been in mine, too. Many have said it is a chapter they had never paid attention to before. I can share, me neither...but I am so glad I am now! God has revealed so much through these last nine verses. This week we begin verse 10.

Psalm 143:10 in the NASB reads,

"Teach me to do Thy will, for Thou art my God; let Thy good Spirit lead me on level ground."

As we continue to listen in to David's prayer this week, we can learn much. After his little ramble off of Truth in verse 7, I love the basis of Truth that we see in David's prayer as he continues. Verse 10 is no exception as he refers to the Lord as his God, affirming that he has surrendered to the Lordship of God in his life. He doesn't just say, "**For Thou art God,**" he says, "**For Thou art my God.**"

In verse 10 he also says, "**let Thy good Spirit lead me on level ground,**" affirming that he appreciates the leadership of the Spirit in his life and he desires to have a life that is lived on solid Truth. He doesn't just want the Spirit to lead; David wants the Spirit to lead him personally. How easy it is for us to walk in places that are bumpy and full of ditches and potholes in life. David wants something different. There are several times in the Psalms that David cries out to God about this. The Hebrew word for "level" is the word *miyshowr* and it really means upright or righteous. David knows he needs to be led to live in righteousness. He can't find that kind of life on his own, and neither can we.

I believe that points us to the most important part of verse 10, "**Teach me to do Thy will.**" There is just something about having a teachable heart, a heart that is seeking of and soft toward the leadership of God for every moment of life. Let's just face it, we need to be taught. We will not be able to live in righteousness on our own. Even though we are all grown up and full of learnin'...compared to God, there is still much we don't know, still much we don't understand, still much that will come against us. But we as believers have the opportunity to be taught. The

question is, are we teachable?

The powerful words of Psalm 143 continue to flow...

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