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Psalm 10

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Vs. 1-11 show that it seems God is hiding when the wicked boast and are prosperous;
Vs. 12-15 show the appeal to God for justice against the wicked;
Vs. 16-18 show confidence that God will act just as He has done consistently in the past.

All people are wicked who: prey upon the poor (v.2); are completely selfish (v.3); are godless (v.4); prosper upon the backs of others (v.5); feel invincible (v.6); use words deceitfully (v.7); make evil plans secretly (v.8-10); think God doesn't see or care what is done (v.11). This description fits every politician, CEO, Union Boss, and any other "power-broker" who disregards God's societal rules.

We must remember when the wicked's "ways are always prospering" that God keeps the books on human behavior, and He will see to it that all is rectified. If not in this life, then certainly after life, "As I live, says the LORD, Every knee shall bow to Me, And every tongue shall confess to God" (Romans 14:11; Isaiah 45:23). As "King forever and ever," the LORD has made nations perish, and can cause "the man of the earth" (one given to earthly ways, "carnally minded" Romans 8:5-8) to "oppress no more." Don't look at or listen to the wicked while they are in the "headlines" but remember all of the wicked whom the LORD has left in wreck and ruin throughout history. Every victim of the wicked will be vindicated, if not in this life, then in the life to come (Proverbs 18:5), for, "he who does wrong will be repaid for what he has done, and there is no partiality" (Colossians 3:25).

The arrogance of the wicked toward God is reflected by: renouncing (v.3), ignoring (v.4), defying (v.6), profaning (v.7), blaspheming (v.11), or denying (v.13) God and His Word. This has remained unchanged over the centuries, for v.7 is quoted in the New Testament (Romans 3:14) in describing the wicked's ways! Whether atheist, skeptic, agnostic, or an educated ignorant, being "logical" without God is the baseline for wickedness. The wicked who "did not like to retain God in *their* knowledge" are given over to "a debased mind" which is "filled with all unrighteousness" (Romans 1:28-29).

The Devil's doctrine that "you shall not surely die" for your sins (Genesis 3:4) is echoed in Psalm 10:6, 11, 13, and is absolutely false, whether believed by Eve, the wicked, or "once-saved-always-saved" disciples! This false sense of security causes sinful behavior.

Deists who claim that God "wound up the universe and lets it run its course without intervention" surely have never read this Psalm (or the rest of the Bible!). God sees, hears, knows, remembers all and forgives, but intervenes and judges according to His will.

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***All Scriptures and comments, unless otherwise noted, are based on the New King James Version.***