

Taking Care of the Soul

Psalm 22/23:3-He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. (KJV)

The Psalmist's attention to the soul has benefitted serious believers for centuries. Believers concerned about the purity and salvation of the soul look to the Psalms. The Psalms offer guidance, direction and lasting thoughts on care of the soul. The heart, mind and soul are deeply affected when the Psalms are well-studied. Believers are nourished by being attentive to the soul as described in the Psalms.

Psalm 24/25:1-Unto thee, O LORD, do I lift up my soul. (KJV)

The Christian life is intended to involve continuous prayer and care for the soul. Guidance and substance for prayer and care for the soul can be found in Psalms. The believer is expected to be a vigilant guardian of the soul throughout life. The soul is to be protected and guarded against being tarnished all the days of life. God's Holy Church offers the environment to enrich and learn to protect the soul.

Psalm 33/23/34:22-The LORD redeemeth the soul of his servants: and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate. (KJV)

Believers find hope and consolation for the soul in the Lord's goodness and mercy. When a believer sins, hope exists for the Lord God to purify and cleanse the soul. Repentance has a place in all of earthly life for believers who treasure the soul. The Psalms offer attentive believers the necessary helpful direction for repentance. Serious believers study the Psalms all the days of earthly life to enrich the soul.

Psalm 34/35:9-And my soul shall be joyful in the LORD: it shall rejoice in his salvation. (KJV)

The "cared-for" soul finds ever-lasting joy in the Lord God's Heavenly Kingdom. Care for the soul will come into consideration at the Lord's Second Coming. Daily relationships serve as a cumulative record for final judgment of the soul. Believers caring for the soul show great love for God and the humans in daily life. Practicing forgiveness facilitates life's renewal and cleansing of the believer's soul.

Psalm 41:4-I said, LORD, be merciful unto me: heal my soul; for I have sinned against thee. (KJV)

Personal honesty with the self and the Lord is required for the soul's renewal. Repentance is always timely for believers seeking to have the soul cleansed. Great joy arises in the heart, mind and soul when sincere repentance takes place. Weight is lifted from the believer when the soul is purified by the Lord God. The hunger in the soul seeks the purity found in unity and love for the Lord God.

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