1 - **“I Shall Not Be Moved!”**

Psalms 30

2 - **Context of Psalms 30**

* From the context, it is evident that it was written after some troubling and difficult circumstances in David’s life.
* We know that for a long time King Saul relentlessly pursued David that he might put him to death. (1 Sam. 16-30)
* **Verse 6** identifies a time before David’s past troubles ***“in my prosperity”*** when he declared, ***“I will never by moved.”***
* **Upon the death of King Saul, David now reflects on how he now stands.**
* Note the words ***“As for me…”*** used 20 times in Psalms**… Why?**

3 - **“I will never be moved”**

**Also said by David in Psalms 16:8; 62:2-6.**

He said before ***“in my prosperity”* before troubles came*.*
Are we tempted to feel secure in our relationship with God when times are good? (Mark 14:29; Luke 22:33)**

**Are we not to be confident?** Should we not also declare **“*I shall not be moved*”? (2 Timothy 1:12; 4:17-18)**

**Not through his own strength, but God’s, that he now recognizes his ability to yet “*strand strong*.” (vs. 7; 1 Peter 4:11)**

**In troubling times, to whom will we turn? (Isaiah 33:6)**

4 – **What Do We need to do to ensure “I will never be moved”**

* **Recognize God’s favor and grace.** (vs. 7, 9-10;
2 Corinthians 12:7-10; 1 Peter 4:11)
* **The power of prayer.** (vs. 8; Psalms 55:22; James 5:16;
1 John 5:13-15; Romans 15:30-32; Acts 21)
* **The need for joy in serving and enduring trials**. (vs. 11; Philippians 4:1, 4; 3:1; James 1:2-4; 1 Peter 1:6-9)
* **Worship, telling others,** and **thankfulness**. (vs. 12; Psalms 122:1; Malachi 1:13; Psalms 66:16; 71:15; 96:1-3)

5 - **Can we be moved?**

* **Understanding Romans 8:31-37. *“Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or sward?”* (cf., John 10:27-29)**
* **Will we allow ourselves to be moved by the currents and paths of the world which slowly lead us away from Jesus Christ and His righteousness? (Hebrews 2:1-3)**

6 - **“I shall not be moved… If…”**

* **Daily meditation on God’s word.** (Psalms 1:1-6; 92:12-14; Deuteronomy 6:4-9; 1 Timothy 4:6; Ephesians 5:18; Col. 3:16)
* **“Always abounding in the work of the Lord”.** (1 Corinthians 15:58; Ephesians 4:16)
* **Focused on our hope**. (Hebrews 6:19; Colossians 1:23)
* **Worship, telling others,** and **thankfulness**. (vs. 12; Psalms 122:1; Malachi 1:13; Psalms 66:16; 71:15; 96:1-3)
* **Discipline and submission.** (Colossians 2:5, 19)

7 - **By Way of contrast…**

* **Psalms 10:6** (note context of vs. 3-5) also speaks of one who boasts ***“I will not be moved”*** but speaks of one with a **hard heart** and stubborn spirit who will not accept the teaching of God.
* If so, we need to **plow the fallow ground of our hearts** in faith and humility. (Jeremiah 4:3)

8 - **If we have moved…**

* **If we’re not as close to the Lord as we use to be, it’s not God who moved!**
* **We need to be like David and acknowledge our sin** (2 Samuel 12:13; Psalms 32 & 51)
* **We need to “turn again”** (repent; Luke 22:32) **and look to our brethren to strengthen them**. (Galatians 6:6-10)
* **If we draw near to God, He will draw near to us!** (James 4:8-10)