

“I NEED THEE EVERY HOUR”

INTRO.:

- A. Read text: Psalm 22:4-5.**
- B. Regarding the text.**
 - 1. Note verse 5.
 - 1) Trusted: Bold confidence; make secure (**Job 11:18; Pro. 28:1**).
 - 2) Confounded: Ashamed, disappointed.
 - 2. The text shows the importance of knowing that we depend on the Lord.
- C. The song, *I Need Thee Every Hour* expresses a fact that many have forgotten or dismissed.**
 - 1. There is not one single moment in our lives when we do not need the Lord.
 - 2. Man cannot get along without the Lord.

I. NO TENDER VOICE LIKE THINE CAN PEACE AFFORD.

- A. There is no peace that can equal that which comes from God.**
 - 1. There is no other place to go for real peace.
 - 1) **John 6:68.**
 - 2) **John 14:27.**
 - 2. We can be secure in the peace which we have in Christ.
- B. He brings calm in tumultuous circumstances.**
 - 1. **Matt. 8:25-26.**
 - 2. In prison, Paul spoke of peace.
 - 1) **Phil. 4:7.**
 - 2) **Col. 3:15.**
- C. The Lord's tender voice speaks to us through the Word. stay thou nearby; temptations lose their power when thou are nigh.**
- D. The picture is one of close companionship... fellowship.**
 - 1. This is the Lord's desire.
 - 1) **Psalm 42:8.**
 - 2) **Psalm 94:13-14.**
 - 3) **Psalm 32:7.**
- E. When we remember that the Lord is with us... we have a better chance of overcoming temptations.**
 - 1. They lose their appeal when He is nearby. He is near and sees all.
 - 1) **Heb. 4:13.**
 - 2) **Pro 15:3.**
 - 2. Where can we hide from Him?

II. IN JOY OR PAIN; COME QUICKLY AND ABIDE, OR LIFE IS VAIN.

- A. In good times and in difficult ones... we need the Lord nearby.**
 - 1. Not just in times of difficulty, but also in times of great joy.
 - 1) Live so as to have Him. Hold on to His hand.
 - 2) **Dan. 3** and **6** illustrate holding on to God's hand.
 - 2. Whether young or old (**Psalm 71:18**).
- B. Without Him life is vain (**Heb. 13:5**).**
 - 1. Life without Him is no life at all.
- C. Every man needs to obey His commandments so as to abide with him.**

III. CONCLUSION:

- A. “I need thee every hour.. every hour I need thee! O bless me now my Savior, I come to thee.”**
- B. Please realize... we need the Lord – every hour of every day.**