Sermon 7itle: "GOOD MORNING, LORD!"

Date: July **13, 2025** - Psalm 5

Central Idea: David directs his prayer to God and then looks up for the answer. Are you directing your prayer to God and then looking up for the answer?

Introduction: Psalm 5 may be treated as a morning meditation. David takes careful aim, steadies himself, and prays intelligently and perseveringly, and then looks up as though he were expecting and anticipating an answer.

This song appears to emerge out of an atmosphere of strife and oppression. David was down in the dumps...discouraged. "Whatever his pressures were, they prompted him to compose this ancient hymn in a minor key." (Charles Swindoll)

I. A Plea, vv. 1-3

II. Four Descriptions, vv. 4-11

- 1. David meditates on the Lord Himself, vv. 4-6.
- 2. David describes himself, vv. 7-8.
- 3. David describes his enemies, vv. 9-10.
- 4. David describes the righteous, v. 11.

III. A Promise, v. 12

Conclusion: As you meet with the Lord—preferably in the morning—and you pray to overcome discouragement, follow the guidelines of Psalm 5.

- Describe your attitude and how deeply you hurt.
- Review the attributes of God.
- Ask for opportunities to do things His way.
- Be specific in your prayers.
- Remind yourself of His defense.
- Recall the Lord's promises.

And when you're too down to pray for yourself, ask for someone to join you in prayer on your behalf.