Revive us again – Ps. 138:7

**Focal Truth: God in His favor revives his people in troublesome times**

Are you living in the favor of God?

Is God pleased with your life & your priorities?

Do you ever praise God for His patient, life – giving favor to you?

Have these days of trouble crushed your confidence & faith in God?

Are you confident that God knows what He is doing in your life in these days of trouble?

David praises God for His favor to Him

**Observations**

1. God favors His people by strengthening them when they pray in times of trouble – 138:3

*on the day I called, you answered me, you made me bold with strength in my soul*

**Note the assurance of the man who is revived by God**

 a. God answers the prayers of the righteous promptly – on the day I called,

 you answered me

 Ps. 119:26 – I have told of my ways, & you have answered me

 Jonah 2:2 – I called out of my distress to the Lord, and He answered me

 John 1:13 – whatever you ask in my name, that will I do, so that the Father

 may be glorified in the Son

 b. Prayer strengthens our soul

 1. He made him bold with strength in his soul

 Eph. 3:16 – to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in the

 inner man

 Col 1:11 – strengthened with all power, according to His glorious

 might, for the attaining of all stedfastness & patience, joyously

 Ps 29:11 – the Lord gives strength to His people

 1 Sam. 30:6 – David was greatly distressed because the people spoke

 of stoning him…but David strengthened himself in the Lord his God

 Luke 22: 42 -43 – Father if you are willing, remove this cup from me,

 yet not my will but yours be done. Now an angel from heaven appeared to Him, strengthening Him

2. God favors His people by reviving them in times of trouble – 138:7

*though I walk in the midst of trouble, you will revive me, you will stretch forth your*

*hand against the wrath of my enemies, your right hand will save me*

**Note the fearlessness of a man who is revived by God!**

a. The Lord protects His people in times of trouble

 Ps 9: 9 - the Lord is a stronghold in times of trouble

 b. The Lord preserves His people in times of trouble

 Ps 32:7 - you preserve me from trouble

 c. The Lord strengthens His people in times of trouble

 Ps 37: 39 - He is their strength in a day of trouble

 d. The Lord is always present with His people in times of trouble

 Ps 46:1 - a very present help in trouble

 e. The Lord rescues His people in times of trouble

 Pr. 11:8 - righteous man is delivered from trouble but the wicked takes

 his place

 Ps. 18:19 – He brought me forth into a broad place, He rescued me,

 because He delighted in me

3. God favors His people by accomplishing His purposes in them in times of trouble – 138:8

*The Lord will accomplish what concerns me*

**Note the confidence of a man who is revived by God!**

a. The Lord completes His work in His people using troubles

 Phil 2:15 – show yourselves to be blameless & innocent children of God

 above reproach in the midst of a crooked &perverse generation, among

 whom you appear as lights in the world

 James 1:4 – let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be

 perfect & complete lacking in nothing

 b. The Lord accomplishes His purposes in His people lives & circumstances

 Phil. 1:6 – He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day

 of Christ Jesus

 c. The Lord provides completeness in His people union with Christ

 Col. 2:10 – in Him you have been made complete…

 d. The Lord calls His people to glorify Him in the world

 1 Pet. 2:9 – you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a

 people for God’s own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies

 of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light

**Things to remember**

1. God will accomplish His purposes in His people!

2. God’s favor lasts longer than the troubles of life

3. God hears the righteous above the noise of troubled times

4. God’s help comes equal to the times troubles

5. Troubled times don’t trouble God’s revived people

**Daily Use**

1. Come boldly to God in prayer in these times of trouble

2. Allow God to accomplish what He wants to do in your life in days of trouble

3. Rejoice in the protecting hand of God in these days of trouble

4. Be assured that God will revive those who trust Him in times of

 trouble