

5 “My” Statements
Psalm 43
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Thesis: I want to show what we can learn from the “my” statements from Psalm 43.

Intro: 1. Throughout the Bible we find many important statements, Psalm 43 is no different.

I. 5 “My” statements

A. My Cause

1. David’s “cause” was to do right before God. (v.1a)
 - a. To living Godly before a wicked and ungodly people.
2. David pleaded for God to deliver him from such people. (v.1b)

B. My Strength

1. David acknowledges where his strength as a man lies, its in God.(v.2a)
2. David’s great troubles however still have him asking “why do I go mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?” (2b-3)
 - a. God may punish the wicked but no man is **forced** to do **right**.

C. My Joy

1. Notice how he refers to God (v.4a)
2. He says he will praise God, “my God” (v.4b).
 - a. He refers to God as being his, he possesses the great God of the Bible and that same God possesses him.

D. My Soul

1. He realizes here that he has no reason to be cast down (v5a)
2. He has no real cause to be worried, as we see in v.5b

E. My God (v.5c)

1. He encourages hope to be placed in God, the only place of true hope.
2. He will continue to praise God. Why? Because God is his help.

II. Lessons for Us Today

A. Remember what this life is about!

1. Living faithfully before God (**Ecc 11:9-10**)
2. Remembering where true strength is found, in God (**Ps 18:1-3**)

B. Have the correct view of God

1. Count God as your joy (**Ps 63:1-5**)
2. Never forget the goodness God gives your soul (-)

Application & Conclusion:

1. When you think of God what are your “my” statements?
2. Such statements help place God in our lives where He deserves, at the top.
3. Full Invitation

Non-Christians must:

Hear – James 1:22, Romans 10:15,17

Believe – Jn 12:44, Jn 8:24, Mt 16:16

Repent – Luke 13:2-3

Confess – John 12:42, Romans 10:9

Be Baptized – 1 Pt 3:21, Acts 22:16, Col 2:11, Mk 16:16, Rom 6:3-4

Live faithfully – John 14:15, Rev 2:10

Christians must:

Repent: Acts 17:20, Acts 8:37, Lk 13:3

Pray: James 5:16, 1 Jn 1:9