PRAYING PSALM 105

"He remembers His covenant forever, the word which He commanded for a thousand generations... He remembered His holy promise, and Abraham his servant" (Psalm 105:8, 42).

This psalm is about the providence of God. 1. A CALL TO REMEMBER GOD (1-7). Israel was blessed because they were descendants of Abraham. 2. ABRAHAM'S BLESSINGS ARE THROUGH GOD'S COVENANT WITH ABRAHAM (8-15). The Abrahamic covenant is forever, not annulled by future covenants. The covenant preserved the promises of God to His people. 3. GOD USED JOSEPH TO GET THE ISRAELITES INTO EGYPT (16-25). God was active in getting His people where He wanted them. 4. GOD USED MOSES TO GET THEM OUT OF EGYPT (26-38). God was active in getting His people out when He wanted to. 5. GOD USED THE WILDERNESS TO SHOW THEIR NEED AND HIS ABILITY TO SUPPLY THEIR NEEDS (39-42). God covered them. God fed them. God opened the rock, and water gushed out. 6. THE ENTRY INTO CANAAN PROVED THAT GOD REMEMBERS HIS PROMISE (42-45). God's plan always begins with a promise and ends with a fulfillment.

God's covenant with Abraham was unconditional. It depended on faith. "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to Him for righteousness" (Romans 4:3). God's covenant with Abraham is still in force today. Remember that when you pray for Israel. The people and the land are a part of a covenant that goes back more than 4,000 years. It never has, nor ever will be, rescinded. The Abrahamic covenant was entered into by faith, just like the New Covenant that deals with your salvation. When you pray, thank God for Israel. They are the people who brought Jesus into this world. Thank God for Jesus who offers salvation as a gift of faith, not of works.