

# Taste and See that the Lord Is Good

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## *Psalm 34*

### **I. Praising the Lord at all times (Psalm 34:1-3; 100:4)**

- A. We can boast in the Lord even when we are afflicted (Philippians 4:4; I Thessalonians 5:16-18).
- B. The power of glorifying the Lord together (Psalm 34:3)

### **II. Calling on the Lord (Psalm 34:4-10)**

- A. When we seek the Lord, He promises to deliver us from all our fears and shame (Psalm 34:4-5; Hebrews 4:14-16).
- B. The Hebrew word for "called" (Psalm 34:6) rarely refers to a random outcry.
- C. Taking refuge in the Lord (Psalm 34:7-8; 91:9-16; Jonah 2:7-10)
- D. Those who fear the Lord "lack nothing" (Psalm 34:9). Those who seek the Lord "lack no good thing" (Psalm 34:10; I Chronicles 4:9-10—Prayer of Jabez).

### **III. God's ears are attentive to the cry of the righteous (Psalm 34:11-17).**

- A. Keeping our tongues from evil, turning from evil, seeking peace with others (Psalm 34:13-14)
- B. A righteousness from God (Psalm 34:15-17; Romans 1:16-17; I John 1:8-2:2)

### **IV. "The Lord is close to the brokenhearted" (Psalm 34:18-22).**

- A. The word for "broken" literally means "to break in pieces." It often appears in the context of violence (Psalm 34:18).
- B. Where God lives (Isaiah 57:15-21)
- C. Even if there are many troubles, the Lord delivers from them all (Psalm 34:19).
- D. "The Lord will rescue His servants; no one who takes refuge in Him will be condemned" (Psalm 34:22).

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