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Lesson 111: 2 Samuel 19:24-43 Request Granted

Read Matthew 5:10-12. Who does Jesus say is blessed in these verses?

What will their reward be? (Notice, Jesus doesn't just say "blessed are those who are persecuted." Who, specifically, will be blessed?)

Read Romans 12:14 and Matthew 5:43-48. How are we to treat those who persecute us?

Why?

Read Romans 8:31-39. What is our motive for persevering in times of tribulation, distress, persecution, danger, sword, etc.?

Read 2 Corinthians 4:7-11. Where is our hope in all circumstances?

Read 2 Corinthians 12:9-10. Why can Paul claim that he is content in all circumstances?

As Christians, we are promised trials and tribulations. We are not promised an easy life. As you spend time with God today, consider where you are hard pressed today.

Are you trying to find a solution to that situation on your own, or are you asking God to give you the strength to endure where you are? God may be calling you to endure this trial, or He may provide the rescue from this. Ask Him to help you to follow Him closely, to help you to endure and not to rely on your own strength.