



PARK STREET
BRETHREN CHURCH

December 27, 2020

Hindsight is 2020 (Psalm 90)

A view from a car window at dusk, showing a road and a sunset. The text "HINDSIGHT" is overlaid in large white letters.

HINDSIGHT

REFLECTING ON THE FAITHFULNESS OF GOD

PSALM 90

A Prayer of Moses
the Man of God

¹ Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.

² Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

³ You turn people back to dust, saying, "Return to dust, you mortals."

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⁴ A thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by, or like a watch in the night.

⁵ You sweep them away as with a flood; they are like a dream—they are like the new grass of the morning:

⁶ In the morning it springs up new, but by evening it is dry and withered.

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⁷ We are consumed by your anger
and terrified by your indignation.

⁸ You have set our iniquities before
you, our secret sins in the light of
your presence.

⁹ All our days pass away under your
wrath; we finish our years with a moan.

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¹⁰ Our days may come to seventy years, or eighty, if our strength endures; yet the best of them are but trouble and sorrow, for they quickly pass, and we fly away.

¹¹ If only we knew the power of your anger! Your wrath is as great as the fear that is your due.

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¹² Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

¹³ Relent, Lord! How long will it be? Have compassion on your servants.

¹⁴ Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

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¹⁵ Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us, for as many years as we have seen trouble.

¹⁶ May your deeds be shown to your servants, your splendor to their children.

¹⁷ May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us; establish the work of our hands for us—yes, establish the work of our hands.

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The view from
Mount Nebo,
the place where
Moses died
before the
Hebrew people
entered the
Promised Land



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HUMANS

- + "turn back to dust" at a single word from God
- + "Are like a dream" in the night
- + Perk up like grass fed by morning dew, but who fade and wither before evening
- + And have a lifespan that is "seventy years, or perhaps eighty, if our strength endures"

Reflecting on his life, in which God moved in incredible and miraculous ways, in versus 1-11, Moses observes...

- + Our difficult and sorrowful lives are incredibly brief
- + God's eternal power and unflinching justice should create reverence and holy fear in us
- + After our weary lives are over, we will appear before God to face His judgement

THE 7 PETITIONS OF MOSES IN PSALM 90

1. Teach us... so that we might gain wisdom
2. Have compassion on us... please relent
3. Satisfy us with your love... so that we would sing for joy
4. Make us glad for as many years as we've seen trouble
5. May God's deeds and splendor be revealed to us
6. May God's beauty/favor rest upon us
7. May God establish the work of our hands



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