The Antidote to 'Fear of All Things Potentially Harmful' P91Ko and FI (Psalm 91 – Knowledge of and Faith In) 'God's Promises of Protection' An Exposition of Psalm 91:14-16 Part 6 Lesson 15

(Points I. through IV. and all sub points see previous note sheets)

V. The Promised <u>Protection</u> of God to Believers cf Psalm 91:14-16

(Points A. through F. and all sub points see previous note sheets)

- G. God Promises He Will <u>Answer</u> the Believer's <u>Prayers</u> of Psalm 91:15(Point 1. and all sub points see previous note sheet)
 - 2. The <u>Five Primary</u> Ways in Which God Answers Prayer
 - a. <u>Immediate</u> Affirmative cf 2 Ki. 20:1-5; Acts 9:40; 12:3-11; 28:8
 - b. <u>Deferred</u> Affirmative cf Gen. 15:2-4 cf Gen. 16:16; Ex. 2:23 12:51 Deut. 3:23-26 with Mt. 17:1-3; Neh. 1:1-2:6; Lk. 1:5-13; Philipp. 1:19
 - c. Affirmative But Not in the <u>Way</u> You <u>Expected</u> of Nu. 11:10-25; 21:5-9; Lk. 8:38; 2 Cor. 12:8-9
 - 2) The <u>Prayer</u> of the <u>Formerly</u> Demonically Possessed Man in The Region of the Gerasene's cf Mt. 8:28-44; Mk. 5:1-20; Lk. 8:26-40
 - a) The *Reality* of the Event Is Expressed by Placing It into a *Real* Place of Lk. 8:26
 - b) The Real Human <u>Tragedy</u> Lk. 8:27, Mk 5:2-5
 - c) The <u>Radical</u> Change in the Man Following Jesus Casting Out the Demons Lk. 8:28-35
 - d) The <u>Request</u> Lk. 8:38 to <u>Remain</u> with Jesus
 - e) The Primary <u>Reason</u> for the Request: The Man Was Looking for a Way to <u>Express</u> His <u>Grateful</u> Love

- f) Jesus <u>Rejects</u> the Request But Provides an Answer Which <u>Satisfies</u> the <u>Intent</u> of the Request
- g) The Healed Man's <u>Response</u> to the Charge He Received from Jesus cf Lk. 8:39; Mk. 5:19-20

Theological Impact

- 1. Salvation Should Result in **Obedient Service** of Mt. 7:24; Lk. 6:47; Jn. 13:17; James 1:23
- 2. Love for the Lord Should Move Believers to <u>Respond Positively</u> to God's Commands. cf Jn. 14:21, 23; 1 Jn. 3:22; 5:3
- I Am to Be a <u>Witness</u> and Tell Others What <u>Jesus</u> <u>Did</u> for Me! cf Isa; 43:10; Acts 9:1-20; Acts 24:1-21; 26:1-23; 1 Thess. 1:8; 2:13-14; Titus 2:9-10
- Our Witness Should Begin at <u>Home</u> cf Jn. 2:40-42; 44-45; Acts 16:1 cf 2 Tim. 1:5;
 Tim. 3:15
- 5. The Setting Free of the Man Who Was Being Demonized Reveals the <u>Value</u> of <u>One</u> Life to Jesus cf Mt. 18:12-14; Lk. 15:3-7; 8-10
- 6. The Setting Free of the Man Who Had Been Demonized for So Long and Who Was in a Horrible State of Being Demonstrates That There Isn't Anyone <u>Beyond</u> Hope and the Life <u>Transforming</u> Power and Hand of Jesus Reach cf Jn. 1:12-13; 3:16; Rm. 3:22; 1 Tim. 1:16
- 7. Jesus Usually Leaves People Where They Are and Doing What They Were Doing When They Believe the Gospel with the <u>Expectation</u> That They Will Be <u>Witnesses</u> for Him cf 1 Cor. 7:20-24
- 8. The Desire of Our Hearts When We Pray Should Be That God Will Answer Our Prayers in the Manner Which Will Achieve the Greatest <u>Good</u> and Bring God the Greatest <u>Glory</u> of Jn. 14:13; Rm. 11:33-36; 1 Cor. 6:20; 10:31; Philipp. 1:3-11
- 9. God May Not Answer Our Prayers in the Manner We Thought But Will Answer in His <u>Own</u> Way, According to His Infinite Love, Grace, and Wisdom cf Psalm 65:5; Isa. 55:9; Dan. 9:23 Mt. 7:11; Heb. 4:16
- 10. When the Lord Answers Our Prayers in a Different Manner Than We Expected, It Is Because He Has Something Even <u>Better</u> in Mind for Us: cf Jer. 29:11; Example: The People of Israel's Prayer for the Messiah Who Would Be a <u>Political</u> Deliver Setting Them Free from Roman Bondage and the Establishment of an Everlasting Kingdom on Earth in Which Israel Would Be the Pre-eminent Nation; But God Had a <u>Different</u> and <u>Greater</u> Answer for Them and the World He Sent His Only Begotten Son, Incarnate in the Person of Jesus to Deliver the Jews and Humanity from the Penalty of Sin So That He Might Offer the Gift of Everlasting Life on the Basis of Grace Alone, Through Faith Alone, in Jesus Christ, Atoning Sacrifice for Their Sins and His Resurrection from the Dead Alone; Which Will at the Appointed

Time Be Followed by the Return of Jesus and the Establishment of His Kingdom on Earth and the Restoration of the Nation of Israel Which Will Be Given the Place of Pre-eminence Among the Nations of Gen. 12:1-3; 17:7, 13, 19 Deut. 30:1-10; 2 Sam. 7:10-16; 23:5; Psalm 108:11; Jer. 32:31-40; Isa. 9:6-7; 11:1-10; 33:17, 22 Mt. 6:10; 1 Cor. 15:24; Rev. 20:6;