SELECTED PSALMS PHASE 1 PSALM 27 Part A Answers for Review Questions

1. Answer:

Going through Psalm 27, you will discover that the general focus is meant to stimulate confidence in God from the experience which the psalmist had in times of trouble and danger.

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2. Answer:

Item (b) . . . when assaulted by fear.

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3. Answer:

(a) derived (b) experience (c) merciful (d) danger (e) peril (f) rescued (g) gracious (h) interposition (i) always (j) trust.

4. Answer:

- (a) God lights our path: as we travel through life God, guides us by His presence and His Word (Ex. 13:21; Psa. 119:105; etc.).
- (b) God shines into the darkness of our souls and enlightens us to seek His truth (Psa. 18:28; John 1:5; etc.).
- (c) Etc.

For more information, see Page 7.

5. Answer:

The phrase is saying: if God is on our side, or is for us, we can have no apprehension of danger! (Rom. 8:31; Psa. 112, NB Vv. 7-8).

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6. Answer:

- (a) The word "strength" (Psa. 27:1c) refers to a place of shelter, safety, and protection.
- (b) "Strength" can be translated as fortress, stronghold and refuge.
- (c) Etc.

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7. Answer:

They came in their might and power, their hate and bitterness, with the assurance within themselves that their goals will be fully realized.

For more information, see Pages 8-9.

8. Answer:

- (a) They (David's enemies) were so confounded and weakened that they *fell* . . . at this point they were not smitten but ". . . they stumbled and fell."
- (b) Applying this fact to Christ we observe that the would-be captors were demoralized by His commanding presence, in their confusion, "they drew back and fell to the around" (John 18:4-6, NB v. 6).

For more information, see Page 9.

9. Answer:

David was saying, I will not be intimidated, neither become fearful, hopeless or despondent.

For more information, see page 10.

10. Answer:

Item (d) . . . to experience His presence.

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11. Answer:

David was very clear about what matters most to him above all else, he desired the LORD'S presence in his life.

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12. Answer:

- (a) God's presence is man's most highly/valuable experience to be desired, it is to be vigorously persuaded, loyally maintained and highly treasured.
- (b) Despite David's demanding schedule, he was persuaded that such pursuit would be of supreme joyfulness on earth; as a result, he always longed to dwell in the Temple of God and continuously to be employed in its sacred services . . . looking forward to the eternal Temple above.

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13. Answer:

- (a) Students answers will vary.
- (b) A rather brief example possible: "How can anyone who anticipates heaven where there are continuous praises, find worshipping on earth irritating, too time-consuming, etc."

Responses will be on an individual basis. See page 13 where the thought was noted.

14. Answer:

- (a) "Beauty" (Psa. 27:4c) properly means: pleasantness then beauty, splendor, then grace, favor.
- (b) The reference here is to the beauty or loveliness of the Divine as it was particularly manifested in the public worship of God, or by those symbols which were designed to that character known. In the Tabernacle and the Temple there was a

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manifestation of the character of God not seen elsewhere. The whole worship was adopted to set forth His greatness, His glory, and His grace. Page 14

15. Answer:

(a) sanctuary (b) worship (c) earth (d) enlightened (e) perplexities (f) comforted (g) enlightened (h) God. Page 14

16. Answer:

- (a) The word "pavilion" (Psa. 27:5b) means "tent" or "tabernacle."
- (b) It is therefore used to designate the Tabernacle, considered as the dwelling place of God on earth, and the meaning here (Psa. 27:5b) is, that God would hide him (David) as it were in His own dwelling.

For more information, see Pages 15-16.

17. Answer:

Item (d) . . . In the most secured and private part of His dwelling. For more information, see Pages 16-17.

18. Answer:

David, acknowledges that God would place him where he would be secured; it is a place totally secured and is inaccessible to all his enemies.

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19. Answer:

Psa. 27:6 expresses the confident expectation that he David would be enabled to triumph over all his foes, and a firm purpose on his part to offer sacrifices of praise for God's deliverances.

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20. Answer:

In addition to the protection of God's presence, David would also experience the power of God on his behalf. God would fight for him, granting him victory and exalt him over his enemies (Psa. 27:6).

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