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THE WAYFARER'S COMPANION

SERMONS FROM THE PSALTER

HYMN 17

"A RIGHTEOUS REMNANT IN A WORLD OF REBELS"

"Persecuted, But Not Forsaken"

(Psalm 14)

INTRODUCTION:

"The fool hath said in his heart, "There is no God!"

—Psalm 14:1a; 53:1a

- **The Argument:** In their foolish rebellion, the sons of Adam have gone _____ the wrong _____ (v. 1-3), and have gone _____ the wrong _____ (v. 4-6). And though it may not be fully evident now (v. 7), the consequences are as _____ as they are _____.

"They have all turned aside..." (v. 3a)

"Who eat up my people as they eat bread..." (v. 4b)

• THE CLASSIFICATION OF PSALM 14:

"For the choir director. A Psalm of David."

• THE CONSTRUCT OF PSALM 14:

Stanza 1 (v. 1-3), Stanza 2 (v. 4-6), Refrain (v. 7)

1A. THE REBELS: THE _____ AND HIS _____ : (v. 1-6)

1B. Their _____ : (v. 1a)

"The fool has said in his heart, 'There is no God.'"

- This is not so much a _____ atheism as it is a _____ and _____ atheism. These are the words of _____ and _____.

2B. Their _____ : (v. 1b-4)

1C. Its _____ (v. 1b)

"They are corrupt, they have committed abominable deeds..."

- The corruption is both _____ and _____.

2C. Its _____ : (v. 16-3)

- It is _____. (See Romans 3:9-20)

“There is **no one** who does good.
The LORD has looked down from heaven upon the sons of men
To see if there are any who understand,
Who seek after God.
They have **all** turned aside, **together** they have become corrupt;
There is no one who does good, not even one.”

Definition: By total depravity we mean that “the corruption of sin extends to all men and to all aspects of man’s nature.”

“What then? Are we better than they? Not at all; **for we have already charged that both Jews and Greeks are all under sin.**”

—Romans 3:9

1D. There is nothing man can _____ in his own **defense**. (Romans 3:19b)

2D. There is nothing man can _____ for his own **deliverance**. (Romans 3:20a)

3C. Its _____ : (v. 4)

- _____.

“Do all the workers of wickedness not know,
Who **eat up my people as they eat bread**,
And do not call upon the LORD?”

3B. Their _____ : (v. 5-6)

“**There they are in great dread**,
For God is with the righteous generation.”

2A. THE **RIGHTEOUS**: THE _____ AND THEIR _____ (v. 4-7)

1B. Their _____ the LORD: (v. 4b-5)

“...**my people... God is with the righteous generation.**”

2B. Their _____ the LORD: (v. 6)

...**the LORD is his refuge.**”

3B. Their _____ the LORD: (v. 7)

“Oh, that **the salvation of Israel would come out of Zion!**”

CONCLUSION: