

The Cure for Doubt

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I. Introduction.

A. Text: Psalm 77:11-15.

B. The Psalmist saw that he had allowed himself to be governed by his emotions short-circuiting his judgment.

C. Prejudice is seeing a limited view of the facts.

II. The place to begin in one's thinking is with God.

A. One discovers that his vision is expanded when one starts with the fact that encompasses all other facts.

B. One must begin with the deeds of the Lord.

1. The Words of God are extremely important to life.
2. The Words of God are helpful when they are based upon faith in His deeds.
3. It is difficult to deceive by deeds because they are revealing.
4. Jesus proved Himself to John the Baptist and Thomas by His deeds.
5. The deeds of God derive their value from the fact that they are objective and lie outside of our feelings.
 - a. There were many confirmations of the great deeds of God throughout history, especially the resurrection of Jesus.
 - b. The deeds are timeless and can be confirmed throughout time.
 - c. The deeds are happening in the present through changed lives.

C. The process in finding value in God's deeds.

1. Remembering His deeds.
2. Meditating on God's works.

D. The results of meditation.

1. He concluded that God was great and holy.
2. His understanding of the supernatural power and the redemptive love of God brought him to this awareness.

Application questions:

1. How do God's deeds recorded in history strengthen the faith of believers today?

2. What are some different ways that a believer can recall God's deeds today? Name at least five.

3. Which of God's deeds recorded in the Bible are particularly encouraging to you at this time in your life? Explain.
