

My Dear Loved Ones:

God says in Psalm 90:7 - "For we have been consumed by Your anger, / And by Your wrath we are terrified."

Moses drops the "third person" in speaking to us about God, and now, Moses directs himself to speak directly to God.

This section of Psalm 90 beginning with this verse tells us about the seriousness of sin.

The word "consumed" is literally in Hebrew "finish; spent." In other words, when God is angry with sin, there is nothing left. Because of the curse on man's sin in the Garden of Eden in Genesis 3, man is to return to dust: there is nothing left. Our physical bodies wear out. But let's be reminded of why this all took place. Death to our physical and spiritual selves comes as a result of sin. Romans 5:12 says, "Therefore, just as though one man [Adam] sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and thus dead spread to all men, because all have sinned." In other words, we can't just blame Adam and Eve. We all have chosen sin as well. It's part of our very nature.

"Wrath" is an intensified anger that is almost unbridled in its passion against something; here, it is against sin.

"Terrified" is the Hebrew word for "overwhelmed." It's used of an army when it faces a disaster (as in Judges 20), but it's also used of Joseph's brothers when they finally recognized who Joseph was: they were all overwhelmingly terrified.

Stop and think of God's wrath against sin: 1) our physical bodies will be dying and eventually dust; 2) our spiritual bodies will be in torment (unless we know Jesus as Savior); and 3) our physical body will be resurrected and joined with our spiritual body for a final judgment and God casting all into the Lake of Fire for eternity (unless we know Jesus as Savior. This should overwhelm us as to what we deserve. According to John 3:36, we are all condemned already for not believing in Jesus. We have no resource except Jesus Himself. He bore the wrath against our sin that we deserved, so that we can be set free.

Loved ones, this day, be very thankful for Jesus bearing the wrath. Also, stop and think of how serious our sin is in God's eyes. May the Lord help us to keep turning from our sin and toward Him.

Praying for you today, my loved ones.