

## Revivals And Church History :: The Davidic approach

**The Davidic approach - posted by MarkOne, on: 2006/6/3 3:20**

The Davidic approach in the Days of the Messiah  
By Lars Widerberg

Reading: Ps 132:4-5, Isa 55:1-5

A psalm — a vessel set apart to carry its reader into the inner regions of a godly man's heart.

A psalm — a piece of reading articulating that which corresponds to spiritual experience.

A psalm — an effort to express that which cannot be properly explained or defined.

A psalm — a revealing of a reality which is hidden, even to the one living in it.

A psalm — the outcome, the product of openness and honesty.

A psalm — 'Deep unto deep is calling' — Spirit willing to commune with spirit.

(Ps 42:7, Young's literal translation.)

One hundred and fifty pieces, about half of them bursting forth directly from the heart of David. The remaining part, a gift from men who had been apprehended for the Davidic approach, to the delight of the Holy Spirit to be included in a book intended to teach as 'Deep unto deep is calling'.

As David, the beloved, writes, God delights. When the Davidic heart prays, the Father sets the heavenly realm on high alert. The man allowing the Davidic reality to approach his own for communion learns about the silence necessary, the probing which is necessary for the penetrating of a language and a wisdom which stores, hides and exposes the sure mercies of David offered to a generation that thirsts for reality.

That which is Davidic stems from a heart that is tuned according to the heart of God. The one thing that destined David for the throne was his heart, a heart after God's own. The one thing that set David apart for writing was his heart, a heart according to God's perfect approval and liking. The one thing bringing him to the throne of Israel was the heart of a shepherd, a father, always on watch for the welfare of the flock. He knew the heart of God, he knew the art of waiting on God, to express such a stance even in severest perplexity. His writings were to fall in the category of prophetic writing because of the heart that was prepared to bear it and produce it. The Davidic approach belongs to the threshing floor. No chaff, only good grain of wheat ready to fall into the ground to die and to bear fruit in its own time, after its own kind.

To be continued. . .

**Re: The Davidic approach - posted by MarkOne, on: 2006/6/3 15:08**

What this sweet singer of Israel, the King and shepherd of Israel, could not foresee was how these rich items of his soul were to be used as devotionals of the dearest kind and as prophetic markers in the times of the Messiah, in the days of His coming. The Greater David, the Messiah, the King to be enthroned forever in Zion, guided while on Earth the simple heart in the use of the songs and the application of revelation. The Lord lead the sensitive heart into a surprisingly liberated use of the material which the Spirit formed together with David, but it is indeed a Davidic use, tempered by the tent of David in humility and lowliness.

As declared in Ps 76:13: "He humbles the spirit of leaders" or in Ps 25:9: "He leads the humble in what is right and teaches them His way". The Davidic approach settles for that which expresses itself in terms of kindness and goodness. It is never mixed in its approach. It maintains a perspective of reality which is irritatingly black and white. Vanity stands forever fixed on one side. On the other one finds lowliness. To the one side stands a brazen character, on the other openness and prayer. And the declaration holds firm: "The horns of the proud will be cut off."

The material available to the open mind in these pregnant poems aims at producing a Davidic approach, a Davidic stance in the times of the coming Messiah, as the people are waiting for the Redeemer to come to Zion. It is intended to be read and thoroughly pondered, prayed and perhaps even sung in times of perplexity, in times of hardship.

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ds its presence, the prospect and necessity of becoming Davidic in nature. In it we will find our words for the times of the Messiah. In it one reads the Messiah. Through it one learns Christ. Through it one is brought to the obedience of the Messiah. It cannot be read in any other profitable way than to bring Christ to the heart. Light is its main feature, as the Lord chooses to reveal himself through it. The sure mercies of David, that which belongs to the King and which therefore belongs to the people, are learnt and wrought into the inner being as a heart wills and seeks according to purpose.

Incline your ear, bend your ear and come to Me; hear, and your soul shall live.

Bow your heart, prepare yourselves according to measure to be able to take part in the covenant mercies promised. Willingness to invest in a hearing, in the work of listening which is appropriate to texts of this kind brings tempering and adjustment. There will be a speaking and a formation for the understanding of the times of the Messiah, for the handling of the opposition and the pressure to be endured in the times of the Messiah.

The willingness required belongs to the fundamental pleasures of a moral being. That which is already Davidic answers to that which is Davidic. The attentive man answers the call to hearing with much silence and obedient listening. Listening of a thoroughgoing kind brings the listener into that which is strictly Davidic, and what is Davidic is intrinsically Messianic. What does the Davidic mind see which an ordinary man cannot see? What is there to explore and apprehend during these perilous times? What is there to be gathered by an attentive man, for survival, for the life of his soul?

To be continued. . .

**Re: - posted by MarkOne, on: 2006/6/4 3:13**

There are descriptions like the following: "All things were created in Him, the things in the heavens, and the things on the earth, the visible and the invisible; whether thrones, or lordships, or rulers, or authorities, all things have been created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and all things have subsisted in Him. And He is the Head of the body, the assembly, who is the Beginning, the First-born out of the dead, that He be preeminent in all things; because all the fullness was pleased to dwell in Him." Col 1:17-19.

All things created in Him, subsisting in Him. Pre-eminence in all things. All fullness was pleased to dwell in Him. Always present, in all things.

Therefore; a reading of a Davidic kind discovers Christ in measure in all texts. A reading of the Davidic kind is allowed to read all its longing according to the Messianic hope into every part of the body of writings. A reading of the Davidic kind apprehends the sure mercies, the covenant reality in all parts of the Bible.

It is a tempered reading, never prone to fantasy, never allowing itself to master the book for personal benefits, but expecting the book to foster a heart after God's own – and this is the Messianic hope and salvation in its fullness. This kind of reading involves a tempering of the tent.

Apply already the Davidic art of reading to such a statement. What belongs to a tempering of this kind? What does it bring in times of frivolity and shallowness? What is implied in a word, a sentence, like this? Is it a poetic formula to bring a sense of serenity and beauty of a shepherding community, bringing religious flavour and comfort, or does it hold a segment of reality into which the man of this late hour is beckoned to come into for the sake of relevancy? A Davidic mind is a mind opened to the Messianic context.

To be continued. . .

**Re:, on: 2006/6/4 11:29**

What you have posted MarkOne is wonderful.

Do you have more to post on this?

God bless,

Stever :-D

**Re: - posted by MarkOne, on: 2006/6/4 14:43**

A Davidic piece of writing, a psalm, aims at bringing focus. It is intended for single-mindedness. "Teach me thy way, O LORD; I will walk in thy truth: unite my heart to fear thy name." Ps 86:11. "Let integrity and uprightness preserve me, for I wait for thee." Ps 25:21.

Faith is substance. The Davidic approach learns integrity. Faith which speaks Christ springs forth from a heart in unity. Faith which testifies to the uprightness of the Lord brings an end in finality to any attempt to compromise. It does not generalise. It cannot accept any attempt to trivialise.

The Davidic approach leaves no room for generalisation or over-simplification within the complex structures of reality. A viewing of Christ in His pre-eminence and of all things subsisting in Him secures sanctity. The humbling of tent, a tempering of the tabernacle becomes present, ever developing status which is the formula for stature among the people of His pleasure. A Davidic approach to life and living is a matter of "one thing only". "One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple." Ps 27:4.

The sure mercies of David which follows the Davidic approach contains the Messianic hope in every conceivable aspect. Mercy, covenant grace, of this kind is no light thing. The issues involved may not be approached in a frivolous manner. But the ones who thirst for its reality may come and buy without money. The ones who hunger for Messianic intervention, for the Redeemer to come, may read and eat of every aspect of the realisation of the hope, prophesying the approaching finality in the tasting of "the good word of God, and the powers of the age to come" even amidst adversity and perplexity. Deep unto deep is calling for the formation of a Davidic heart in the days of the Messiah.

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**Re: - posted by MarkOne, on: 2006/6/5 0:13**

Hi Stever,

Mr. Widerberg is a writer of another kind.

Do you want me to send you this item as a whole to you privately?

I have several other articles which he has written lately, and I have got permission to post them.

Do you think that there are readers on this site that would profit from them?

Mark

**Re: - posted by MarkOne, on: 2006/6/5 1:52**

What do you really think when you read through an item of this kind?

Mark

**Re:, on: 2006/6/5 3:58**

This one goes far beyond me, but it attracts me, spurs me to seek the Lord for His life and revelation.

Walk

**Re: - posted by InTheLight (), on: 2006/6/5 10:22**

Quote:  
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This certainly is writing of "another kind". I have to admit that sometimes I tend to things pre-digested and thoughts spoon-fed. This kind of item causes me to stop and consider, to wait upon God, to seek His vision and perspective. I'll be thinking about "the sure mercies of David", the promises of this covenant, which are "yea and amen" in Christ.

In Christ,

Ron

**Re:, on: 2006/6/5 11:16**

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This piece of writing is a piercing one. Its relevance for our present day is obvious. We live, having the Times of the Messiah just ahead of us.

To be untouched by the severity of a message like this is like disqualifying oneself of the possibility of spiritual growth.

Hanna

**Re: The Davidic approach, on: 2006/6/5 23:35**

“In it one reads the Messiah.”

I think I have got it.

Mr. Sparks said in his “The School of Christ” that there is a world of difference between learning Christ and learning of him.

The one is life reproduced. The other is acquiring data.

Most of what we do in our churches comes in this category of knowledge acquired. Therefore it is unattractive. Many are drawn to this realm like in many of the treads to be seen at this site.

But the revelation of Christ in us comes in a different way.

I think I have come across an open secret. . . .

Walk

**Re: Intercessors Network - posted by crsschk (), on: 2006/6/6 0:04**

Lars put's out a newsletter that is .. well, a newsletter is really a poor choice of words. Not news of the sort one would be used to hearing.

If you are interested, ask to be added to it here:

Intercessors.Network@Comhem.se

**Re:, on: 2006/6/6 1:16**

I just found this in Austin-Sparks' Union with Christ:  
Becoming a Christian is something far more than adopting a set of doctrines and teachings and theories and ideas, practices and forms.  
It is coming into a new world, a strange, to us faraway, world, for which we have naturally no capacities at all. They all have to be given to us, and we have to start all over again, learning new ideas."

**The Network, on: 2006/6/6 9:29**

Thank you, Mike, for a very interesting connection. . .

My first letter from the Network was about churches and their struggle for the upholding of the Biblical mandate to defend the poor and needy.

I am very interested in the African scene and in prayer

Walk

**Re: The Network - posted by Bomar, on: 2006/6/6 11:52**

Quote:  
-----What do you really think when you read through an item of this kind?  
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I think it is the true Christian experience, as we go on in God.

We start off with a freshness and simplicity, marked with true love, joy, and victory.

As we acquire knowledge, we get proud, puffed up, and believe that our doctrinal stance is the answer to the plight of the world, and Christendom.

We then figure out that our doctrines, however true they may be, do not deliver us, nor give us the power we thought they would.

Then we simply get on our face, admitting our powerlessness in ourself to do anything, and crying out to God for His grace, and the filling of His Spirit on a moment by moment basis.

**Re: what Amazing content in the Psalms! - posted by roadsign (), on: 2006/6/6 16:32**

I have never before been so aware of the rich devotional and prophetic content in the Psalms. After reading this article, I will always have a deeper awe for the Psalms.

I realize that we can only glean the full truth from them when we have been transformed in our inner being and have a Davidic heart.  
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Here are some points that I gleaned from this article.

The Davidic approach:

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- learns integrity
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- Deep unto deep is calling for the formation of a Davidic heart in the days of the Messiah.

Diane

**Re: The Davidic Approach: - posted by roadsign (), on: 2006/6/6 16:38**

Ps 132:4-5

4 I will allow no sleep to my eyes,  
no slumber to my eyelids,  
till I find a place for the LORD,  
a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob."

Isa 55:1-5

1 "Come, all you who are thirsty,  
come to the waters;  
and you who have no money,  
come, buy and eat!  
Come, buy wine and milk  
without money and without cost.

2 Why spend money on what is not bread,  
and your labor on what does not satisfy?  
Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good,  
and your soul will delight in the richest of fare.

3 Give ear and come to me;  
hear me, that your soul may live.  
I will make an everlasting covenant with you,  
my faithful love promised to David.

4 See, I have made him a witness to the peoples,  
a leader and commander of the peoples.

5 Surely you will summon nations you know not,  
and nations that do not know you will hasten to you,  
because of the LORD your God,  
the Holy One of Israel,  
for he has endowed you with splendor."

**Re:, on: 2006/6/7 0:47**

The Davidic text "contains the Messianic hope in every conceivable aspect. . ."

This would mean that I am allowed to read my needs and my expectations into the text, to use the texts as an expression of what I cannot express. And then allow the Lord to come to my deliverance as He sees fit.

The Davidic text is meant "for the handling of the opposition and the pressure to be endured in the times of the Messiah".

This must mean that in the End time the reading and applying of the psalms will hold a prophetic dimension. The psalms become my interpretation of what is happening to me as I stand in the gap. They become my help as to understanding and handling the pressure.

Hanna

**Re:, on: 2006/6/7 7:36**

Intercessors Network is a fantastic resource machinery when it comes to prayer and spiritual reading.

Try it. . .

It costs nothing, but it is quite expensive.

No money involved, liberating indeed.

But you have to work in prayer.

Walk