

## The Pastor Patrick Podcast – Episode 9 Notes

**Title:** Psalm 9 | Episode 9 of The Pastor Patrick Podcast

**Text:** Psalm 9:1–20

**Topic:** Thanksgiving & Triumph – Praising God When Justice Prevails

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### Observations from Psalm 9

#### What is happening in this passage?

##### Context:

David writes this Psalm as a hymn of praise, possibly after his victory over Goliath, highlighting God's righteousness, justice, and faithful deliverance.

- **Verses 1–2:** David passionately expresses wholehearted gratitude and joy.
    - *"I will give thanks to you, Lord, with all my heart."* (v.1)
    - *(Psalm 86:12)*
  - **Verses 3–4:** God is personally involved as David's defender, ensuring victory.
    - *"My enemies turn back; they stumble and perish before you."* (v.3)
    - *(Psalm 18:17)*
  - **Verses 5–6:** The Lord powerfully destroys wickedness and injustice.
    - *"You have rebuked the nations and destroyed the wicked."* (v.5)
    - *(Psalm 37:38)*
  - **Verses 7–8:** David confidently proclaims God's eternal, righteous judgment.
    - *"He rules the world in righteousness."* (v.8)
    - *(Psalm 96:13)*
  - **Verses 9–10:** God faithfully provides refuge for the oppressed.
    - *"The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble."* (v.9)
    - *(Psalm 46:1)*
  - **Verses 11–14:** David calls everyone to celebrate God's deeds openly.
    - *"Sing the praises of the Lord... proclaim among the nations."* (v.11)
    - *(Isaiah 12:4)*
  - **Verses 15–16:** Evil collapses under its own weight through God's poetic justice.
    - *"The nations have fallen into the pit they have dug."* (v.15)
    - *(Proverbs 26:27)*
  - **Verses 17–18:** The wicked inevitably face God's justice.
    - *"The wicked go down to the realm of the dead."* (v.17)
    - *(Galatians 6:7)*
  - **Verses 19–20:** David boldly pleads for timely intervention from God.
    - *"Arise, Lord, do not let mortals triumph."* (v.19)
    - *(Psalm 10:12)*
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## Interpretation

### What spiritual truths can we draw from this passage?

- **Gratitude strengthens our faith.**
    - Regular thanksgiving deepens our trust in God's ongoing faithfulness.
      - (*Colossians 3:15*)
  - **God's justice brings comfort.**
    - Knowing God will right all wrongs provides peace amid frustration.
      - (*Deuteronomy 32:4*)
  - **Evil ultimately defeats itself.**
    - God's justice ensures wickedness never truly prospers.
      - (*Job 5:13*)
  - **Sharing our stories empowers faith.**
    - Testimonies remind us of God's faithfulness and encourage others.
      - (*Revelation 12:11*)
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## Application

### How can we live this out practically?

- **Cultivate a habit of gratitude.**
    - Start each day by thanking God specifically for recent victories and answered prayers.
      - (*1 Thessalonians 5:18*)
  - **Boldly share your testimony.**
    - Share openly how God has helped you—someone else needs your encouragement today.
      - (*Psalms 107:2*)
  - **Trust God's righteous judgment.**
    - Instead of holding onto bitterness, surrender injustices to God's perfect justice.
      - (*Romans 12:19*)
  - **Pray boldly for justice.**
    - When facing injustice or trials, confidently ask God for help, knowing He hears and acts.
      - (*Hebrews 4:16*)
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## Reflection Questions

- What recent victory can you thank God for today?
- How comfortable are you sharing your testimony with others?
- In what specific situation do you need to trust God's justice more fully?
- How does remembering God's past faithfulness give you strength for today's challenges?