



Outline – Sunday School, October 01, 2017

Sermon Title: The Lord Ponders The Heart, Prayers That Prevail

Text: Psalm 66:16-20

1. **The Call** – Ps 66:16
 - a. The *obligatory* command (the **What?**) *Come and hear (shama)* – vs 16/Ps 66:5/Deut 6:3-4/
Rom 10:17
 - b. The *obvious* audience (the **Who?**) *God fearers* – Matt 13:10/Ps 25:14; 103:17; 111:10/Prov 3:5-7;
8:13
 - c. The *objective* (the **Why?**) *To declare God’s saving grace upon his soul* – Matt 7:6/Rev 12:11; 6:9-11

2. **The Cry** – Ps 66:17
 - a. **Prayer invoked** – Rom 8:15/Gal 4:1-6
 - b. **Praise intended** – Ps 30:1
 - c. **Problem implied** – Ps 40:1-2

3. **The Condition** – Ps 66:18
 - a. The **regard** of the *heart* – Matt 6:20-21/Luke 16:13
 - b. The **rebellion** of the *hypocrite* – Luke 18:9-14/Matt 15:2-3, 7-11, 18ff
 - c. The **rejection** of a *Holy* God – Prov 15:8; 21:27; 3:34/James 4:6
 - d. A **reflection** to *heed* – The Lord Ponders the Heart – Prov 5:21; 21:2

4. **The Conclusion** – Ps 66:19-20
 - a. **Answered Prayer** (He attended/heard) – vs 19/John 9:31-33
 - b. **Affirmation** of *Purity (implied)* – Ps 34:15/Prov 15:29
 - c. **Adonay Prevailed** (*for him and in him*) – vs 18b/Ps 110:1-5/Heb 5:6-10; 7:25-28
 - d. **Adoration** of His *Person (the consequence)* – Ps 30:1
 - e. **Application** that is *Personal* – Ask God for a pure heart and to perfect you in the fear of the Lord;
and cry out of that purified heart, and he will hear, attend and mercifully deliver! – Rom 10:17/
Heb 10:22