Psalm 102 • Being Established by God

- 1. (v.1-7) Come to the Lord exactly <u>as you are</u>, not pretending to be something that <u>you're not</u>. When we're experiencing deep anguish or affliction of spirit, it's best to present <u>exactly that</u> to the Lord.
- 2. (v.8-11) Even though we sincerely <u>repent</u> and are sorry for what has led to our times of anguish, we have to be <u>patient</u> and <u>endure</u> them according to His <u>schedule</u>.
- (v.12-17) Just because God does not <u>respond</u> as fast as we wish does not mean He is not <u>responsive</u>; He's working out something much <u>greater</u> than the current circumstances would seem to indicate from our limited <u>perspective</u>.
- 4. (v.18-22) The purpose of God's <u>timing</u>, of His allowing difficult circumstances to linger beyond what we might wish, is to prepare us for His <u>service</u>.
- 5. (v.23-28) God is not just working through us within our <u>lifetime</u>, but with an eye toward future <u>generations</u> to come.