

A SERMON SERIES FROM THE PSALMS

# SONGS *for* SUMMER

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# Psalms 137:1-9(ESV)

<sup>1</sup> By the waters of Babylon, there we sat down and wept, when we remembered Zion. <sup>2</sup> On the willows there we hung up our lyres. <sup>3</sup> For there our captors required of us songs, and our tormentors, mirth, saying, "Sing us one of the songs of Zion!"

# Psalms 137:1-9(ESV)

<sup>4</sup> How shall we sing the LORD's song in a foreign land? <sup>5</sup> If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget its skill! <sup>6</sup> Let my tongue stick to the roof of my mouth, if I do not remember you, if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy!

# Psalms 137:1-9(ESV)

<sup>7</sup> Remember, O LORD, against the Edomites the day of Jerusalem, how they said, "Lay it bare, lay it bare, down to its foundations!" <sup>8</sup> O daughter of Babylon, doomed to be destroyed, blessed shall he be who repays you with what you have done to us!

# **Psalms 137:1-9**(ESV)

**<sup>9</sup> Blessed shall he be who takes your little ones  
and dashes them against the rock!**

# Initial Questions

# Verses 1-4: Hopelessness Remembered



# **Psalms 9:11** (ESV)

**Sing praises to the LORD, who sits enthroned  
in Zion! Tell among the peoples his deeds!**

## **Psalms 2:6-8 (ESV)**

"As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill." <sup>7</sup> I will tell of the decree: The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you." <sup>8</sup> Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.

# Verses 5-7: Promises Remembered

## Revelation 21:1-4 (ESV)

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

# Revelation 21:1-4 (ESV)

<sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. <sup>4</sup> He will wipe away every tear from their eyes,

# Revelation 21:1-4 (ESV)

and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

## Hebrews 12:22-24 (ESV)

But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering,<sup>23</sup> and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all,

## Hebrews 12:22-24 (ESV)

and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, <sup>24</sup> and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.



# Verses 8-9: Hope Remembered

## Nahum 3:10 (ESV)

Yet she became an exile; she went into captivity;

her *infants* were dashed in pieces at the head of every street;

for her *honored men* lots were cast, and all her *great men* were bound in chains.

## **Luke 19:43-44** (ESV)

**For the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up a barricade around you and surround you and hem you in on every side and tear you down to the ground, you and your children within you.**

## **Luke 19:43-44 (ESV)**

**And they will not leave one stone upon another in you, because you did not know the time of your visitation."**

## Revelation 18:2, 4-6 (ESV)

And he called out with a mighty voice, "Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great! . . . <sup>4</sup> "Come out of her, my people, lest you take part in her sins, lest you share in her plagues; <sup>5</sup> for her sins are heaped high as heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities.

# Revelation 18:2, 4-6 (ESV)

<sup>6</sup> Pay her back as she herself has paid back others, and repay her double for her deeds; mix a double portion for her in the cup she mixed.”

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