



New Year Message 5

LIFE IS TOUGH, SHORT, BUT CERTAIN

Psalms 88,90,91

Lesson Introduction: The first 25 years of this century has had us experiencing life in all sorts of unexpected ways. The list is ominous and includes such things as: ISIS attacks; natural disasters; mass shootings; tenuous relationships with China, Russia, North Korea, Iran, etc.; pandemic locking up our nation for almost two years; political unrest; riots; many moral issues becoming social issues; and you can add your own personal battles. Today's three Psalms take us on a journey of discovering what life on this earth is all about – the pains, the fears, the uncertainties, as well as the bedrock values, truths, and certainties that only God can reveal and bring to us.

PSALM 88 – THE PSALM FOR THE _____

- This Psalm is for many who are brokenhearted, dreary, pessimistic, disillusioned, and ready to quit!
- There's not a single "happy" verse in this Psalm!
- It's a mirror – showing the opposite – to Psalm 91.

PSALM 90 – THE PSALM FOR THE _____

- From this writing of Moses, we learn the following about life:
 - Life is _____ 1-2
 - Life is _____ 7-9, 11
 - Life is _____ 3-6, 10
 - Life is a _____ 12-17

PSALM 91 – THE PSALM FOR THE _____

- The Psalm of _____ 1-8
- The _____ Psalm 9-16