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Psalm 4

An Evening Hymn

**1 Answer me when I call, God, who vindicates me. You freed me from affliction; be gracious to me and hear my prayer.**  
**2 How long, exalted men, will my honor be insulted? [How long] will you love what is worthless and pursue a lie? *Selah***

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**<sup>3</sup> Know that the Lord has set apart the faithful for Himself; the Lord will hear when I call to Him.**

**<sup>4</sup> Be angry and do not sin; on your bed, reflect in your heart and be still.      *Selah***

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**5 Offer sacrifices in righteousness and trust in the Lord.**

**6 Many are saying, “Who can show us anything good?” Look on us with favor, Lord.**

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**7 You have put more joy in my heart than they have when their grain and new wine abound.**

**8 I will both lie down and sleep in peace, for You alone, Lord, make me live in safety.**

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***You freed me from affliction; be gracious to me and hear my prayer.***

**We can be philosophical enough about matters of belief until we lose sight of our problem (lostness).**

**God frees us personally when we recognize personally.**

**He hears us individually.**



**1. He Gives Salvation**

***<sup>3</sup> Know that the Lord has set apart the faithful for Himself;***

**Sanctification is a personal decision.**

**"If any man be in Christ he is a new creature. Old things are passed away, behold all things are become new."**

**We decide every day to live seperately.**



**2. He Sets Us Apart**

***<sup>5</sup> Offer sacrifices in righteousness and trust in the Lord.***

**We can give lip service to God or we can illustrate by the way we act.**

**There were two basic kinds of sacrifice the people of the Old Testament could bring to the altar, a sweet savor offering or a sin offering.**

**David had in mind the sweet-savor sacrifice—the kind offered by the righteous saint.**



### **3. Trust the Guardian**

**7 You have put more joy in my heart than they have when their grain and new wine abound.**

**David's spirits soared.**

**What had he lost? A palace, a loaded table, money—mere material things.**

**And what did he have left? God!**

**The idea is that of a party...celebration.**



**4. Enjoy the Peace**

**4...on your bed, reflect in your heart  
and be still.**

**<sup>8</sup> I will both lie down and sleep in  
peace, for You alone, Lord, make me  
live in safety.**

**He is our Guardian**

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