



If Only...

A Study of Psalms 81



The Call:

Praise the God of Israel

- ☞ God commanded Israel to worship Him – Psa. 81:1-5; Jn. 4:19-22
- ☞ God is worthy of their worship – 81:6-7; Ex. 17:1-7
- ☞ The same is true for us today.
 - We need to worship God – Jas. 1:17
 - In worship we praise Him as He has commanded for His deliverance from our sins – 1 Cor. 15:56-57

The Reality:

God Mourns Israel's Rebellion

- ☞ God admonished Israel to have no other gods among them – Psa. 81:8-10
 - A singular focus on God has always been the rule – 81:8-9; Ex. 20:3; Isa. 45:5
 - Why? They owed *all* to God – 81:10; Deut. 8:18-20
- ☞ Israel did not listen and God rejected them – 81:11-12; Isa. 1:2-3
- ☞ What a tragic story...that continues to happen today! – Rom. 1:21-25; 1:18

The Possibility:

Listen and be Saved!

- ☞ If they would listen and obey, God would subdue their enemies – Psa. 81:13-15
 - Deliverance could be found in submission – Isa. 59:1-2
 - Blessings were waiting to be received – 81:16
- ☞ The same reality is before us today – Acts 2:38-39; Jn. 10:10; Rev. 2:10

Conclusion

☞ Learn the lessons of Israel!

- Listen to God
- Recognize the benefits of submission to Him
- Remember, disobedience is disaster!

☞ Will you come to Christ and be saved today?