**Psalm 38: 15-22, NKJV, emphasis mine,**

**“For in You, O Lord, I hope;
You will hear, O Lord my God.**
16For I said, *“Hear me,* lest they rejoice over me,
Lest, when my foot slips, they exalt *themselves* against me.”**17For I *am* ready to fall,
And my sorrow *is* continually before me.
18For I will declare my iniquity;
I will be in anguish over my sin.
19But my enemies *are* vigorous, *and* they are strong;
And those who hate me wrongfully have multiplied.
20Those also who render evil for good,
They are my adversaries, because I follow *what is* good**.21**Do not forsake me, O Lord;
O my God, be not far from me!**
22**Make haste to help me,
O Lord, my salvation!”**

### Reminiscent of Job 42 and patterned in the vein of Psalm 70, this writing is one of the penitential psalms. The 38th Psalm of King David denotes hardship, sickness, and desperation. The Psalmist, further, understood that the absolute worst thing for a believer was Almighty God's displeasure! Oft times, David lamented how God's withdrawal, "desertion," abandonment, renunciation, and defection tormented him. **(Of course, we all know that God never leaves or forgets us....Deut. 31:8, NKJV, “And the Lord, He *is* the One who goes before you. He will be with you, He will not leave you nor forsake you; do not fear nor be dismayed.”{p.s. The “hat trick” is that King David knew that, too!} )** Speculation surrounds the “situation critical” of this particular Psalm, whether it was scribed during David’s distress over his deep sin with Bathsheba, whereby her husband Uriah was killed, or whether its reference details David’s actual contraction of the dreaded disease, leprosy. Some theological researchers believe that David might have been directly quoting from Job himself, the champion of true suffering. Whatever the case, the author highlighted Almighty God’s ultimate forgiveness of our transgressions, even today…centuries later, that comes generously from a just and right Creator who is ***always*** willing for reconciliation. **ALWAYS!** King David petitioned, begged and implored Him,

**“Make haste to help me,
O Lord, my salvation!”**

This new morning, this new day, “To Help Me” Tuesday, may you find forthright, up-front, sincere help *from* ***(our)*** Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, grasping that...

**“For in You, O Lord, I hope;
You will hear, O Lord my God.”**

It is always,

Because of Him,

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**Dear Lord and God, like David of old, I find myself desperately needing Your help today. For my many friends and family members that are in “I cannot fix this” positions, please guide and steer. For those that have family issues, please help. For those staring sickness in the face, please heal. For those who have lost heart, please restore their hope in You. I am unafraid because of Calvary, and I press on because of “tomorrow’s promise in Jesus.” Show all of us a way to grasp Your saving grace this coming week, anew and renewed. Demonstrate Your miracles to the lost, especially Israel. Prod U.S. pastors to “wake up” and speak truth to their people. Bring Your Kingdom soon, my Lord and King! I love You, and I trust You. Please forgive me. Take me deeper into Your Word. In Jesus’ name, Amen.**