

Daily Devotion For November 22, 2022

“My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?” Psalm 22:1

Do you remember where you were when you heard the news that President John F. Kennedy had been assassinated? I was in the fourth grade at Bay View Elementary school when the school secretary came into the classroom and shared the tragic news. Today marks 59 years since that tragic day in the life of our nation.

Suppose that a document had been prepared in 963 AD that predicted that a time would come when a man of great prominence, head of a great nation, would be riding down a street of a large city in a metal chariot not drawn by horses and would suddenly and violently die as a little piece of metal hurled from a weapon made of wood and iron penetrated his brain. This weapon would be aimed at him from the window of a tall building, and his death would have worldwide effect and cause worldwide mourning. You can imagine with what awe such a document would be viewed today. Such a prediction would be similar to what we have in Psalm 22. In 587 B.C. a prophecy was made that Jesus Christ would die on the cross and cry out to his heavenly Father, “My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?”

Thought For Today: That hypothetical prediction would have been made even before the invention of the automobile or firearms and five hundred years before Columbus arrived in America. It would be regarded as fantastically accurate. Yet we have that very sort of thing in this psalm. How does it make you feel that 600 years before Jesus was crucified it was predicted in Psalm 22?

Today’s Prayer Focus: Give thanks to God for the sacrifice of His son Jesus on the cross of Calvary. Deo Volente.