

### APPLICATION POINT

If we have been routinely maintaining spiritual fellowship with the Lord through prayer; study of Scripture; engagement in regular worship in fellowship with Christ follower in our local assembly, and of course obeying the commandments of God's Word; then, the presence and power of the Spirit of God will be readily available to under gird us at our unique time of need.



### OVERVIEW BRIEF

#### TEACH ME

First, he passionately petitioned the Lord for spiritual wisdom and counsel (i.e. **"Teach me."**). Here we observe that he was fully aware of the limitations of his knowledge and wisdom, and too his inability to handle the dire ordeal that he was confronting.

Too often, this is a key element in our praying that is completely absent, or we actually marginalize and push into the background; but, in essence, it is the essential factor upon which rests all the intervening action of Heaven.

The Lord Jesus directed us to pray to the Father, **"Thy will be done."** (Matt. 6:1)

#### LEAD ME

Next, the inspired writer showed us that he was fully aware of his limitations and inability to navigate his life through the dire life ordeal that he was confronting. Thus, he pleaded; **"lead me into the land of uprightness."**

This was a simple request to be shown the **"right path"** out; or, the "straight and smooth" path as opposed to that which is "crooked and "rocky."

#### QUICKEN (REVIVE) ME

Lastly, David petitioned the Court of Heaven to infuse and reinvigorate his soul with a refreshing charge of spiritual energy. Indeed, the Lord is the only source from whom we can obtain true, godly supernatural enablement.

In the grand text of **Psalms 23**, David joyfully affirmed in verse **23a**: **"He restoreth my soul."** Also, in **Psalms 119:25** he pleaded: **"My soul cleaveth unto the dust: quicken thou me according to thy word."**



**FOCUS VERSE:** Teach me to do thy will; for thou art my God: thy spirit is good; lead me into the land of uprightness.

**Psalms 143:10 (KJV)**

#### CENTRAL TEXT:

Psalms 143:5-12 (KJV)

**Psalms 145:5** I remember the days of old; I meditate on all thy works; I muse on the work of thy hands.

**6** I stretch forth my hands unto thee: my soul thirsteth after thee, as a thirsty land. Selah.

**7** Hear me speedily, O Lord: my spirit faileth: hide not thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.

**8** Cause me to hear thy loving-kindness in the morning; for in thee do I trust: cause me to know the way wherein I should walk; for I lift up my soul unto thee.

**9** Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies: I flee unto thee to

hide me.

**10** Teach me to do thy will; for thou art my God: thy spirit is good; lead me into the land of uprightness.

**11** Quicken me, O Lord, for thy name's sake: for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.

**12** And of thy mercy cut off mine enemies, and destroy all them that afflict my soul: for I am thy servant.