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TOPIC: DIVINE HELPER (JEHOVAH "EZER").

MEMORY VERSE: : 2 Kings 6:27 "He answered, "If the LORD doesn't help you, where can I get help for you? From the threshing floor or the winepress?"

TEXT: Hebrews 13:1-8.

(A) INTRODUCTION:

Help - means to aid, to lend strength, to succour, to give assistance, support, or to do for someone what he or she cannot do for himself or herself.

We all need divine assistance in running the race of life. Human effort is limited but the power of God is limitless. Whatever situation we face as children of God, we need to stand fast on this great truth that God is our help (Jehovah "Ezer" – Exod.18:4). It is the desire of our Father (God) to help us when we cry unto Him for help (Psa.34:17) as He has promised (Isa.41:13).

(B) NATURE OF DIVINE HELP:

This help ("EZER") is obviously coming from the Lord & is something that even royalty and powerful men cannot provide (2 Kings 6:27). It can be withdrawn in times of judgment; or can be limited in times of testing and purification. No human can do this. It is clearly divine in nature.

-It is adequate & effective : Friends come to our aid, but often they cannot help us because their resources are inadequate.

-It is always available & timely because the Lord who doesn't change is always with us – (John 11:21,32; Psal. 46:1).

-It is appropriate to our individual needs because it is personally dispensed to each of us according to our need.

-His help is more than help. He carries all the burdens and supplies all the needs (Heb. 13:6).

-Because He has already been our help, we feel confidence in Him for the present and the future.

(C) WHAT DOES THIS DIVINE LINK / HELPER DO?

There is always at least one person that the Lord has ordained for you to connect in life for you to fulfil God's purpose for your life. Missing that fellow can make you live an unfulfilled life.

The divine helpers act on divine instructions and can't say no to you over what God has already concluded as His plan for your life.

They connect you to the next level & link you up with your destiny. The butler helped Joseph to the throne (Gen.41:9-13). Elijah helped Elisha to attain a height where a king began to call him, my father (2 Kings 6:20-21).

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(D) HOW DO I CONNECT SUCH DIVINE LINKS WITHOUT MISSING? (Hebrews 13:1-8)

In Hebrews 13:1-8 we are shown several ways in which we need the Lord's help if we are to live the Christian life effectively. Let's look at them:-

- GENUINE SALVATION WITH LOVE (v.1)

When we are born-again, then we love genuinely & it shows that we are truly children of God that carries His image. The love of God positions us for divine identification.

-MAGNANIMITY(v.2)

This means generosity, large-heartedness; being friendly, cordial, gracious, sharing with others generously." Are we large-hearted, open-hearted, cordial and gracious, or are we cold, mean, unapproachable and stand-offish?

-SYMPATHY (v.3)

It's great to have a sympathetic feeling for all who are in trouble, particularly those who are suffering for Christ's sake. How can we do this?.

-PURITY (v.4).

Much around us is impure, coarse and sensual. How can we keep pure in a society which is filled with impurity?.

-SATISFACTION (v.5).

This refers to a calm, contented and unruffled mind and heart.

-SERENITY (v.6)

It is being on an even keel, settled, so that when sudden alarms, or fear, or dread, or terror come we are not thrown off-balance. What a great thing it is to have our mind and heart steadfast upon the Lord!. (Isai. 26:3 and Phil. 4:6).

-STABILITY (v.7)

Be spiritually sensitive, obey & pay attention to divine instructions from your spiritual mentors. It will add life and peace to you.

(E) CONCLUSION:

Is it not good to remember the past "helps" and deliverances of God, so that we might have a firm foundation on which to stand by faith when we encounter future trials?

PRAYER POINT: O Lord arise and link me up with my destiny helpers, in Jesus name.

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