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We see some common threads in Psalm 56 and 57.

The Main Character

David was the main character, and these were his accounts of the unfavourable situations he was in and his plea to the Lord for deliverance. He was fleeing from Saul, who was intent at destroying him, and was recognised while attempting to hide among the Philistines.

The Ongoing Setbacks

David was faced with multiple and ongoing setbacks—oppression, opposition, betrayal, and relentless pursuit by his enemies who had unwavering intent to do evil. He was pressed on all sides and had nowhere to go. There was no light at the end of the tunnel.

The Posture

While David faced these insurmountable challenges and discouragements, not knowing what the outcome would be, he postured himself right. He turned to his God and continued to profess his trust in Him.

“In the shadow of your wings I will make my refuge...”

The Response

Despite everything, David was determined in his heart to praise, worship, and give thanks to the Lord regardless of his feelings and his situation.

The Reason

If we look closely, we see what enabled David to praise and give thanks even amid this ongoing unfavourable situation—he looked to God's character and proven faithfulness.

Takeaways

These are precious lessons from David that we should apply when we go through challenging and seemingly impossible situations.

1. Keep looking to the Lord. Remember all those times He had been faithful—the times when He didn't let us go and was there during our troubles, and how He turned things around for our good.

2. Keep exalting, praising, and giving thanks because when we do, our vision changes, causing our perspective to change. This results in a transformation in how we continue our walk amid it all.