

Note the petitions and the basis given for each.

Study for parallelisms both in formal word and in thought.

d. Interpretation analysis

It is obviously a prayer in a time of distress.

Note the requests: Hear -6
Teach -11
Give help -16
Vindicate -16

And note the aspects of commitment:

personal trust 4
walk 11
praise 12

As well as the truths concerning God

5, 8, 10, 15

And of God's dealings: 7, 13, 17

e. Pastoral Point...Union with the Lord enables us to trust and believe in His victory. The closer we are to Him the more effectual our prayers and the more complete our walk.

f. Application...the chart.

E. Summary

1. It is helpful to remember the three points of our earlier discussion and the message of the pastoral psalms.
2. They need to be studied in the light of the immediate practical help they offer on any given situation.
3. And then need to be seen in the light of the humanness of the writer and the love of the Deity. They are the most immediate point of reference to our lives today.