

February 2014 Theme: TALK OF HIS WONDROUS WORKS” (PSALM 105:2b)

Text: Psalm 106:34-48

**“THEY WERE DEFILED BY THEIR OWN WORKS”**

**(I) APPRECIATING THE MIGHTY WORKS OF GOD**

1. They are mighty acts of the Lord (Psalm 106:2a)
2. They are praise-worthy (Psalm 106:2b)
3. They express His favour (Psalm 106:4a)
4. They bring about salvation (deliverance) (Psalm 106:4b)
5. They bring about benefits (rewards) (Psalm 106:5a)
6. They can benefit the entire nation (Psalm 106:5b)
7. They are God’s inheritance (Psalm 106:5c)

**(II) DANGERS RECALLED**

1. Sin (Psalm 106:6a)
2. Iniquity (Psalm 106:6b)
3. Wickedness (Psalm 106:6c)
4. Poor understanding of God’s works (Psalm 106:7a)
5. Poor remembrance of God’s works (Psalm 106:7b)
6. Failure to remember God’s mercies (Psalm 106:7c)
7. Rebellion by the Red Sea (Psalm 106:7d)

**(III) DEFILED BY THEIR OWN WORKS**

Psalm 106:35-39

1. Essentially this is a reference to idolatry and its consequences
2. Consequences of idolatry
  - a) The idols became a snare (Psalm 106:36b)

- b) They offered human sacrifices (their own sons and daughters) (**Psalm 106:37**)
- c) They shed innocent blood (**Psalm 106:38a**)
- d) The whole land was polluted by the blood shed (**Psalm 106:38b**)
- e) They were defiled by their own deeds (**Psalm 106:39**)

#### **(IV) DIVINE JUDGMENT**

- 1. God's wrath was kindled (Psalm 106:40a)**
- 2. He abhorred His own inheritance (Psalm 106:40b)**
- 3. He delivered them to the Gentiles (Psalm 106:41)**
- 4. They suffered oppression from their enemies (Psalm 106:42)**
- 5. They were brought low because of their iniquity (Psalm 106:43)**

#### **(V) IS THERE STILL HOPE?**

- 1. God still hears our cries (Psalm 106:44)**
- 2. He remembers His covenant (Psalm 106:45)**
- 3. He will still show mercy (Psalm 106:45b)**
- 3. He will still send help (Psalm 106:46)**