

Volume 2 Books of Poetry Psalm 126:5 – 6

"Turn again our captivity, O LORD, like the streams in the Negev. They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goes forth and weeps, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing *the harvest* with him." Psalm 126:5 – 6

In the western parts of the United States, where the climate is very arid and desert like, we have what are called "arroyos" or dry gullies. These arroyos are formed from the sudden down bursts of rain and the subsequent runoff that occasionally rage over the desert. On a clear day an arroyo may fill quickly with water from a cloud burst miles away, and in such circumstances the unaware or uninformed may be caught off guard to their great harm. As torrents of water rush down these arroyos, all the debris, trash, mud and junk are swiftly carried through them making them doubly dangerous not only from the violent waters but from those waters being filled with debris – not to mention an occasional and unfortunate rattlesnake!

These arroyos are similar to the dry desert gullies of Israel's Negev. The cry of the Psalmist is the same as our cry, "Lord send your deliverance – and Sir, please send it immediately! "Lord, bring me the release from my captivity as quickly and as powerfully as the waters that race through the arroyos! Remove the debris and junk, the obstacles and troubles, the occasional demonic stronghold, that have filled up my life and would attempt to block and hinder my success and Your blessing!"

Your every tear has been seen and noted! There is a "suddenly" awaiting all those who have sown in tears! Remain faithful to the Lord and to His Word – continue to sow in faith – doubtless – and you too, will experience this sudden flashflood of God's blessing!

Is that a cloud forming on the horizon? It looks like rain!

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