

March 27, Psalms 40 vs 6-8,

## **Evening prayer - You have dug two ears for me**

Lord, you've provided the sacrifice of your Son, who always delighted to do your will. By New Birth through the Holy Spirit, we are sons and daughters of God. You have dug out two new ears for us within our hearts, one that has a delight in your will - just like Jesus; the other that is dedicated to follow you even to the point of death - just as He was. Thank you for removing the remembrance of sin in my life by providing Jesus the once for all sacrifice that made obedience to the delight and dedication perform your will possible.

## **New Testament truth connected to this Psalm**

The Hebrew word for "my ears you have opened" means you have dug out two ears for me. Through New Birth, - that is possible only by the sacrifice of Christ - are we now able to obey, not by the old letter of the law that kills, but by the new letter of the Spirit that delights to do God's will; and is so dedicated that we will actually follow through with what we purpose to do. This is only possible because the remembrance of sin has been removed through a sacrifice once for all in the person of Jesus. If we keep having to do things to compensate for our sin, we remember our sin while we're doing these actions of compensation. This behavior is to be no longer a part of our life. While we are trying to compensate our bad behavior with good behavior, we will never have a delight or a proper dedication to do good.

“1 For the Law, since it has only a shadow of the good things to come and not the very form of things, can never, by the same sacrifices which they offer continually year by year, make perfect those who draw near. 2 Otherwise, would they not have ceased to be offered, because the worshipers, having once been cleansed, would no longer have had consciousness of sins? 3 But in those sacrifices there is a reminder of sins year by year. 4 For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins. 5 Therefore, when He comes into the world, He says, “SACRIFICE AND OFFERING YOU HAVE NOT DESIRED, BUT A BODY YOU HAVE PREPARED FOR ME; 6 IN WHOLE BURNT OFFERINGS AND sacrifices FOR SIN YOU HAVE TAKEN NO PLEASURE. 7 “THEN I SAID, ‘BEHOLD, I HAVE COME (IN THE SCROLL OF THE BOOK IT IS WRITTEN OF ME) TO DO YOUR WILL, O GOD.’” 8 After saying above, “SACRIFICES AND OFFERINGS AND WHOLE BURNT OFFERINGS AND sacrifices FOR SIN YOU HAVE NOT DESIRED, NOR HAVE YOU TAKEN PLEASURE in them” (which are offered according to the Law), 9 then He said, “BEHOLD, I HAVE COME TO DO YOUR WILL.” He takes away the first in order to establish the second. 10 By this will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.” - Heb 10:1-10