INTRODUCTION:

1. In our text, David is urging men to try the Lord for themselves and they would see that He is good.

2. The Lord and His pure religion needs to be tried by men today, and they will see that He is good.

3. Let us notice some things that men today need to “TASTE”.

I. MEN TODAY NEED TO TASTE AND SEE THAT THE LORD IS GRACIOUS. I Pet. 2:3

1. “The grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men”… Tit. 2:11

2. God would have all men to be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth. I Tim. 2:4

3. His grace teaches us HOW TO LIVE. Tit. 2:12

4. The GOSPEL is the grace of God. Acts 20:24

5. We are saved BY GRACE through FAITH. Eph. 2:8

6. You can TASTE His grace by the exercise of your FAITH. Rom. 5:2
   (1) Believing
   (2) Repenting
   (3) Confessing
   (4) Being baptized

7. We continue to TASTE HIS GRACE by walking by faith. II Cor. 5:7; Rom. 10:17

II. MEN NEED TO TASTE HIS CHURCH.

1. The Lord has but ONE CHURCH. Matt. 16:18
2. He bought it with HIS BLOOD. Acts 20: 28

3. The SAVED are added to it. Acts 2:47

4. He is the SAVIOR of it. Eph. 5:23

5. His church is NOT DENOMINATIONAL:
   
   (1) In NAME. Rom. 16:16; I Cor. 1:2
   
   (2) In ORGANIZATION – Local church. Acts 14:23
   
   (3) In WORSHIP:
       a. Sing
       b. Pray
       c. Lord’s Supper
       d. Teach
       e. Give

   (4) In WORK:
       a. Edifying the saints
       b. Preaching the gospel to the lost
       c. Taking care of its own needy.

III. MEN NEED TO TASTE HIS FORGIVENESS. Heb. 6:4

   1. Man in his sins is SEPARATED from God. Is. 59: 1 – 2

   2. Man in his sins has a GUILTY CONSCIENCE, and can find no real peace of mind. Ps. 51:3

   3. When one obeys the gospel he TASTES THE FORGIVENESS OF GOD.

       (1) Acts 2:38

       (2) Acts 22:16
(3) Acts 3:19

(4) Mk. 16:16

4. God REMEMBERS the sins NO MORE. Heb. 10:17

5. God forgives the CHILD OF GOD when he confesses his sins. I John 1:9; Acts 8:22

6. When one TASTES God’s forgiveness he NO LONGER HAS AN EVIL CONSCIENCE. Heb. 10:22; I Pet. 3:21

IV. MEN NEED TO TASTE PRAYER.

1. “The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much”... James 5:16

2. God’s ears are open to the prayers of the righteous. I Pet.3: 12


4. Things God’s children pray for:

   (1) Daily bread. Matt. 6:11

   (2) Forgiveness. I John 1:9

   (3) Rulers. I Tim. 2: 1 -2

   (4) Preachers. Eph. 6: 18 – 19


V. MEN NEED TO TASTE BIBLE STUDY.

1. Men need to “taste the good word of God”... Heb. 6:5

2. The words are SWEET. Ps. 119: 103

3. Sweeter than “HONEY”. Ps. 119: 103

4. The study of the Bible gives one an UNDERSTANDING of the will of God. Eph. 5: 17; 3:4; Ps. 119: 130; 119: 104

5. It will make one WISE unto SALVATION. II Tim. 3:15
6. It will make one APPROVED unto God. II Tim. 2:15

7. It will help one bear his AFFLICTIONS. Ps. 119:92; I Thess. 4:18

8. It keeps one from sinning. Ps. 119:11

CONCLUSION:

Won’t you “taste” and see that the Lord is good?