

Why have you let us go? At any rate it is God. Why has God done this? Why is He causing this, or permitted it. "Return for your servants' sake." Now there is nothing about sin in 18 is there of 19. So certainly we have no confession to sin there. And repentance and turning and putting the blame on . Now in 64, "Oh that ~~an~~ God would do wonderful things for us. Verses 1 and 2 and 3. Verse 3, and verse 4, how wonderful the things are that God does, for His people. God blesses the ones that work righteousness. But he says, Behold, you are angry because we have sinned. Their sin is the cause of His anger. What they say is "in those is continuance, and we shall be saved." Verse 6, "We are all unclean. Our righteousnesses are as filthy rags." The confession of sin in verse 6, surely. We are terrible sinners. Verse 7, we are terrible sinners. "There is none that try to do anything for God. But where is there a saying, we want to turn from our sins. We want to turn away from it. We want to be altogether different. "Now, O Lord," verse 8, "thou art our father; we are the clay, and thou our potter; we are the work of your hand." You've made us err. You can make us good. We're the work of your hands. Don't be angry any longer? Or don't remember iniquity forever. Look where your .(4 $\frac{1}{2}$). See the condition. Can you refrain yourself forever? Will you hold your peace in this way, etc. Is this a presentation of the Godly people, turning to God, with their whole heart, and giving Him a wonderful prayer, which surely He will answer. What are the grounds then on which they ask God to give them back their land, and to give them ~~him~~ to rebuild the city?

Verses 7 to 9, what is the ground? He's done good for them in the past. (Question). He promised and He did it before. Now in the past He's been their enemy on account of their sin, but then He's remembered and come back, He's done good for them in the past. He led His people. He did all this in the past. Look down from heaven, verse 15 says, "Where is your zeal and your strength? Why don't you do the kind of things you used to do?" Verse 16, "You are our father", so up to this point, God has done wonderful things in the past. God has made wonderful promises in the past. God is our father. Therefore surely He should bless us. Then verse 18, "the people of thy holiness have possessed it a little while. Our adversaries have trodden down thy sanctuary. We are thine; thou never barest rule over them; they were not called by thy name." That's quite a verse isn't it, 19? 6.