Title: "I WILL SING PRAISE TO YOUR NAME FOREVER"

Text: Psalm 61

(I) MAKING A VOW TO SING PRAISE TO GOD'S NAME

"For You, O God, have heard my vows..." Psalm 61:5a

"So I will sing praise to Your name forever, That I may daily perform my vows." **Psalm 61:8**

- 1. A vow is a most solemn commitment
- 2. A vow to sing praise to God's name forever
- 3. Tremendous strength to keep this vow faithfully

(II) CONTEXT OF MAKING THIS VOW

- 1. A most trying time of life
 - a) The heart is overwhelmed (**Psalm 61:2b**)
 - b) "End of the earth" feeling (**Psalm 61:2a**)
 - c) Trouble from enemies (Psalm 61:3b)

2. Crying out to God

- a) Praying to God (**Psalm 61:1**)
- b) Believing in God
 - i) As a shelter (**Psalm 61:3a, 4b**)
 - ii) As a strong tower (**Psalm 61:3b**)

3. Experiencing God's deliverance

- a) God had heard David's vow (prayer) (**Psalm 61:5a**)
- b) He had answered and given to him a heritage of those who fear His name (**Psalm 61:5b**)
 - i) God will preserve life (**Psalm 61:6a**)
- ii) He will grant mercy and truth (**Psalm 61:7b**)

(III) A CHALLENGE TO MAKE A COMMITMENT TO SING PRAISES TO GOD

- 1. To be made with faith
- 2. To be made with prayer
- 3. To be made with understanding
- 4. To be made with gratitude for what God has done for us