

**HOW ARE WE TO RESPOND TO OPPOSITION?
LEARNING FROM DAVID'S HUMBLE YET BOLD PETITION
PSALM 86**

- I. ***HUMBLY CRY OUT TO THE LORD:*** David humbly yet confidently cries out to the Lord for help (1-7)
 - A. Incline Thine ear and answer me, because I'm godly and trust in you (1-2)
 - B. Be gracious and make me glad, because you are a good and forgiving God (3-5)
 - C. Listen to my prayer and I know you will answer (6-7)

- II. ***SEE THE LORD FOR WHO HE TRULY IS AND PRAISE HIM:*** David extols the Lord as the only God to which all eventually bow down and glorify Him (8-10)

- III. ***CALL UPON THE LORD TO TEACH US HIS WAYS, SO WE WOULD WALK IN THEM AND FEAR HIM:*** David petitions the Lord to teach him His way and cause his heart fear Him (11-13)
 - A. Teach Thy way and I will walk in it (11a)
 - B. Cause my heart to fear and I will give thanks and glorify Thee (11b-12)
 - C. All because of Thy great lovingkindness, having saved me (13)

- IV. ***PETITION THE LORD FOR DELIVERANCE:*** David petitions God to graciously deliver based on His wonderful character (14-17)
 - A. David shares that the ungodly are against him (14)
 - B. Based on God's wonderful character, David petitions his Master for deliverance (15-16)
 - C. David, confident the Lord will answer, desires his enemies would be ashamed by seeing that the Lord that has helped and comforted him (17)