"Being a Champion for Christ"

Psalm 81:8-13 August 31, 2014

Conditions for receiving God's blessing:

Condition #1: You must not worship strange gods. (v.8,9)

Condition #2: You must remember the Lord. (v10)

Condition #3: You must have a hunger and thirst for God and His righteousness. (v.10b)

Question: Did Israel meet these conditions: Answer: No. Israel failed to listen to God.

<u>Listening</u> = <u>Hearing</u> + <u>Obeying</u>

Israel worshipped three strange gods:

Mollech - the god of pleasure
Mammon - the god of materialism and power.
Ashtoreth - the god of sexual pleasure

What were the consequences for Israel failing to listen to God?

Israel made God weep. (Ps 81)
Israel missed out on God's blessing.
God u them. (v.12)