

Worshiping in the Wilderness

Sermon Discussion Questions - June 5, 2022

Text

Psalm 63:1-8

Discussion Questions

- 1. Read Psalm 63:1–8. Share where you see David crying out in despair and also where you see him praising God in the midst of his troubles.
- 2. In Psalm 63, David asks God to be with him in the wilderness instead of asking God to change David's circumstances. David longed for the sight of God, of his friend. How can the presence of friends who know and love us give us hope in difficult circumstances?
- 3. What keeps you from worshiping God in difficult or despairing seasons?
- 4. Remind yourselves how David genuinely worshiped God through seeking (Psalm 63:1–2), meditating/remembering (Psalm 63:2–6), and clinging (Psalm 63:6–8). What does it look like in your life to worship God through doing these three things?
- 5. How does practicing the three things in question 5 help you "reinterpret the darkness" and remember God's love for you?
- 6. What is one thing you can do this week to start developing a habit of remembering and meditating on (evaluating) who God is and what He has done so that you'll be able to sing praise to Him, even in your most despairing moments?

Prayer

Lord, thank You for giving us Your Word. So often we get tunnel vision in difficult circumstances, and we forget the vastness of Your power, presence, and love. Give us hearts that earnestly seek You. Teach us to ask for Your presence in the wilderness, instead of just changed circumstances. Help us hide Your Word in our hearts so that we can remember and meditate on truth when difficult times come. Amen.

