

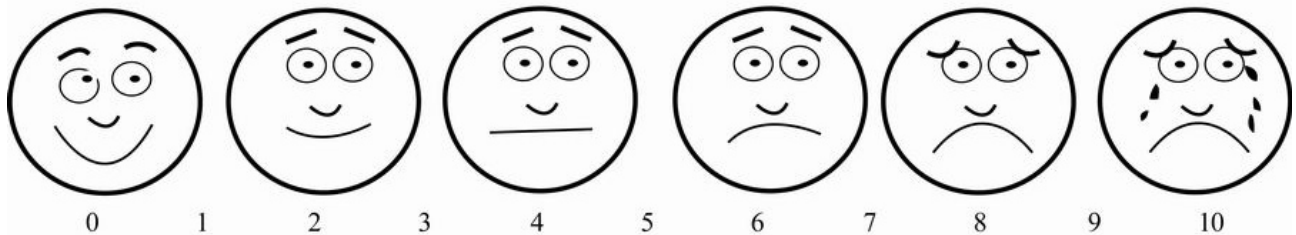
# A Song of Desperation

## Psalm 88

We're in the psalms this summer at The Bridge. These 150 prayer-songs served as a kind of national hymnbook for the Jewish people. They're beloved because they cover the full range of human experience. They show that in every situation of life God is worthy of our worship.

Today we're focusing on a very grim hymn by a guy named Heman. Most people regard Psalm 88 as the bleakest psalm of all. And yet this dark song reminds us of three important truths:

**1. The reality of *suffering*:** It \_\_\_\_\_.



**2. The necessity of *honesty*:** It's \_\_\_\_\_.

**3. The tenacity of *faith*:** \_\_\_\_\_.