

**Sermon Title:** God Cares - Part 1  
**Scripture:** Psalm 13  
**Speaker:** Pastor Mike Barnhart



## **Psalm 13 ESV**

TO THE CHOIRMASTER. A PSALM OF DAVID.

1 How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me?

2 How long must I take counsel in my soul and have sorrow in my heart all the day? How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?

3 Consider and answer me, O LORD my God; light up my eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death,

4 lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over him," lest my foes rejoice because I am shaken.

5 But I have trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.

6 I will sing to the LORD, because he has dealt bountifully with me.

### **1. Desperate**

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## 2. Pursuing

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### **Psalm 13:3–4 ESV**

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“Light up my eyes.”

**He wants to shower you with hope.**

## 3. Compassionate

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### **Psalm 13:5–6 ESV**

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## **Covenant Grace - guaranteed unconditional love.**

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“My heart shall rejoice in your salvation.”

### **“Salvation”**

- i. Assurance of God’s care.**
- ii. Experiencing victory of difficult circumstances.**
- iii. Healing from anguish & thoughts of self-pity.**

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### **How can I pray with that kind of hope?**

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