

Read for next week: Psalm 28

CONFIDENCE WHEN FEAR THREATENS TO OVERCOME OUR FAITH

Thoughts on Psalm 27:

A Psalm of David

A Psalm of Confidence and Lament

One Psalm or two?

Hebrew boteh: to believe in a person or object to the point of reliance upon

English words trust or confidence

Timeless Truth: When fear creeps in and weakens our faith, we can have confidence that the Lord will sustain us against our enemies and satisfy us with His presence.

4 AREAS OF CONFIDENCE TO HELP US GROW IN FAITH

1. We can have confidence in the Lord even in the face of opposition (vv 1-3)

Present Strength (v 1)

Past Support (vv 2-3)

2. We can have confidence in the safety of the Lord's <u>sanctuary</u> (vv 4-6)

One Request (v 4)

Philippians 3:13 -

Perfect Shelter (the House of the Lord)

"The temple was the visible expression of God's presence" (VanGemeren)

God's Actions (v 5)

He Will (3 things)

David's Actions (v 6)

I Will (3 things)

3. We can have confidence in the Lord even when our faith falters (vv 7-12)

God's Command (Deuteronomy 4:29)

David's Concern:

4. We can have confidence that the Lord will <u>strengthen</u> us in our <u>waiting</u> (vv 13-14)

Certainty

Courage

