

G R O W T H N O T E S

Scripture Text: Psalm 27:1-14

SERMON SERIES: Songs From The Psalms

Message:

“WHAT TO DO NOT TO FAINT!”

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE TEXT

Psalm 27:1-14: (KJV) The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

² When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell.

³ Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

⁴ One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to enquire in his temple.

⁵ For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.

⁶ And now shall mine head be lifted up above mine enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of joy; I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the LORD.

⁷ Hear, O LORD, when I cry with my voice: have mercy also upon me, and answer me.

⁸ When thou saidst, Seek ye my face; my heart said unto thee, Thy face, LORD, will I seek.

⁹ Hide not thy face far from me; put not thy servant away in anger: thou hast been my help; leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

¹⁰ When my father and my mother forsake me, then the LORD will take me up.

¹¹ Teach me thy way, O LORD, and lead me in a plain path, because of mine enemies.

¹² Deliver me not over unto the will of mine enemies: for false witnesses are risen up against me, and such as breathe out cruelty.

¹³ I had fainted unless I had believed to see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.

¹⁴ Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD.

BACKGROUND OF TODAY'S MESSAGE

- THE PSALMS—P.S.A.L.M.S.—are SONGS—S.O.N.G.S.!—Written by people just like us—who are navigating needs—managing misery—celebrating joys—and waiting on blessings!
- SO—the Psalms—are the Songs—of Scripture—in the soundtrack of life!

- AND—they help us to express to God what we think and feel as we experience this amazing and mixed bag—that we call life!
- That’s why the book of Psalms, also called the Psalter should be on everyone our playlists!
- Today we examine Psalm Number 27, the most beloved in the Hebrew Hymnbook—2nd only to the 23rd Psalm!
- The inscription, that appears above verse 1—in most versions of the Bible—simply tells us that it—“Was Of David!”
- David wrote this Psalm under circumstances that prompted him to put pen to papyrus and write it down;

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**A ONE SENTENCE SUMMARY OF
PSALM 27:**

***“YOU CAN FACE ANYTHING—IF GOD IS YOUR
EVERYTHING!”***

WHAT TO DO NOT TO FAINT?

1. #1—“TRUST God With A STEADFAST FAITH!”

- Psalm 27, Verses 1-6—is a Song of Confidence in God!

- AND—in those verses—we see that steadfast trust is about—#1—“Confidence In God”—
- AND that confidence in God—is built on #2—“Communion With God!”
- Warren Wiersbe wrote—“The secret to David’s public confidence—was his private obedience!
- David made fellowship with God a priority so he could receive the direction directly from Divinity;
- AND—if we’re gonna be able to stand what life throws at us—we have to be able to say what David says in verse 4—he says:

“One thing have I desired of the Lord—and that will I seek after!

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2. #2—*TRUST God With A STUBBORN FAITH!*”

- Verses 7-14—is a prayer of STUBBORN trust in God!
- What do you do when you’re weak—fearful—hurt—and disappointed?
- You do—on the bad days—what you were doing—on the good days—you keep on trusting in God!

- Stubborn faith prays when things get bad—and then prays that things will get better!