Psalm 77 When God is Silent June 30, 2024 Preacher: Christopher Rich

Psalms 77:1-9

I cry aloud to God, aloud to God, and he will hear me. 2 In the day of my trouble I seek the Lord; in the night my hand is stretched out without wearying; my soul refuses to be comforted. 3 When I remember God, I moan; when I meditate, my spirit faints. *Selah* 4 You hold my eyelids open; I am so troubled that I cannot speak. 5 I consider the days of old, the years long ago. 6 I said, "Let me remember my song in the night; let me meditate in my heart." Then my spirit made a diligent search: 7 "Will the Lord spurn forever, and never again be favorable? 8 Has his steadfast love forever ceased? Are his promises at an end for all time? 9 Has God forgotten to be gracious? Has he in anger shut up his compassion?" *Selah*

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5 Questions We ask when Great Disorientation leads to Growing Doubts

1: Will the Lord Spurn forever and never again be favorable? We doubt God is for us.

2: Has His steadfast love forever ceased? We are doubt God's character.

3: Are His promises at an end for all time? We doubt God's ability to provide and protect us.

4: Has God forgotten to be gracious? We doubt God cares for us or that He even knows what we are going through.

5: Has He in anger shut up His compassion? We doubt God's mercy to us and believe God is against us.

Psalm 77:10-15

10 Then I said, "I will appeal to this, to the years of the right hand of the Most High." 11 I will remember the deeds of the Lord; yes, I will remember your wonders of old. 12 I will ponder all your work, and meditate on your mighty deeds. 13 Your way, O God, is holy. What god is great like our God? 14 You are the God who works wonders; you have made known your might among the peoples. 15 You with your arm redeemed your people, the children of Jacob and Joseph. Selah

Psalm 77:16-20

16 When the waters saw you, O God, when the waters saw you, they were afraid; indeed, the deep trembled. 17The clouds poured out water; the skiesgave forth thunder; your arrows flashed on every side. 18 The crash of your thunder was in the whirlwind; your lightnings lighted up the world; the earth trembled and shook. 19 Your way was through the sea, your path through the great waters; yet your footprints were unseen. ²⁰ You led your people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

God is bigger than your biggest fear.

Is God For us? Does God love us?

Ephesians 2:4-5 But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, 5 even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ— by grace you have been saved—

Can we trust God's Promises?

2 Corinthians 1:20

For all the promises of God find their Yes in him. That is why it is through him that we utter our Amen to God for his glory.

Has God forgotten to be gracious? Is His anger towards us greater than His compassion for us?

Romans 5:6-8

⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸ but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Trust Jesus!