

# IF YOU ONLY KNEW

WHY PEOPLE HIDE FROM GOD AND EACH OTHER



## IF YOU ONLY KNEW PT 2: HOW TO SEE A VICTORY

Have you ever had a dream, plans, and vision crushed so swiftly that you didn't know if you would ever be able to recover? Psalm 13 shows us how to "see a victory" when everything seems like it's against us.

**BIG IDEA: Honesty and community position us for victory.**

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Have you ever been forgotten by someone who was supposed to pick you up or meet with you? How did you feel? What were you thinking?
2. Have you ever had your trust broken? Have you ever been let down? Talk about your typical response to feeling betrayed or let down.
3. Read Psalm 13:

*O Lord, how long will you forget me? Forever? How long will you look the other way? How long must I struggle with anguish in my soul, with sorrow in my heart every day? How long will my enemy have the upper hand? Turn and answer me, O Lord my God! Restore the sparkle to my eyes, or I will die. Don't let my enemies gloat, saying, "We have defeated him!" Don't let them rejoice at my downfall. But I trust in your unfailing love. I will rejoice because you have rescued me. I will sing to the Lord because he is good to me. - Psalm 13:1-6 NLT*

4. What does this passages reveal about David? What does reveal about how we should pray?
5. What are the 3 stages in this prayer? What makes David so low? So high? What is David's tension? Why does he become hopeful at the end?
6. Have you felt like David does here? For how long? Where do you seek relief today?
7. When do you feel like singing? How can worship (with song) help you trust God more? How can honesty in prayer remind you of God's goodness?
8. Why do you think honesty is so difficult for so many of us? Do you think community can help you grow in your trust toward God's goodness? If so, how?