



Craving God

Psalms 84:1-12

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EXAMINING OURSELVES

_____ and having _____ of God and His love for you leads to _____ for God.

Another way of thinking about it: _____ God personally and relationally leads to _____.

To _____ and _____ God, you have to ____ Him clearly and truthfully.
But to ____ God, you have to actually be looking.

Ways to experience God, cultivate a love relationship and draw near to Him:

- **Bible** (learn/study/memorize) (2 Tim 3:16-17, James 1:5)
- **Pray** (James 5:13, Ephesians 6:18, 1 John 5:14, 1 Tim 2:1-2)
- **Listen** (quiet, undistracted time, reflection, rest) (Mark 2:27)
- **Serve** (practice loving like God loves) (Matt 20:28, Mark 10:45, Luke 13:12-17)
- **Share** your belief in God with others (Matt 28:19-20)
- **Look** for Biblical teaching (books, sermons) (Proverbs 1:7, 19:20)
- **Fellowship** with other Christians that encourage your pursuit of God
- **Give** money/time/resources (be invested in God's cause) (Matt 6:21)
- **Practice** the behaviors & attitudes God desires in your daily life (Gal 5:22-23, Ephesians 6:10-18)
- **Worship** Him in your personal life (Thankfulness, adoration, humility, obedience, reverence, etc.) (Romans 12:1-2, Heb 12:28)

Blessed are those:

- Who _____ in _____
- Whose _____ is in _____.
- Who _____ in _____

How can you _____ greater _____ with God this year?

Psalms 84

- ¹ How lovely is your dwelling place,
LORD Almighty!
- ² My soul yearns, even faints,
for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh cry out
for the living God.
- ³ Even the sparrow has found a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may have her young—
a place near your altar,
LORD Almighty, my King and my God.
- ⁴ Blessed are those who dwell in your house;
they are ever praising you.^[c]
- ⁵ Blessed are those whose strength is in you,
whose hearts are set on pilgrimage.
- ⁶ As they pass through the Valley of Baka,
they make it a place of springs;
the autumn rains also cover it with pools.^[d]
- ⁷ They go from strength to strength,
till each appears before God in Zion.
- ⁸ Hear my prayer, LORD God Almighty;
listen to me, God of Jacob.
- ⁹ Look on our shield,^[e] O God;
look with favor on your anointed one.
- ¹⁰ Better is one day in your courts
than a thousand elsewhere;
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- ¹¹ For the LORD God is a sun and shield;
the LORD bestows favor and honor;
no good thing does he withhold
from those whose walk is blameless.
- ¹² LORD Almighty,
blessed is the one who trusts in you.