Sermon Notes

8-25-24 - How Long? - Psalm 13 - Summer in the Psalms

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 13 GW (God's Word)

- 1 How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me? 2 How long must I make decisions alone with sorrow in my heart day after day? How long will my enemy triumph over me?
- 3 Look at me! Answer me, O LORD my God! Light up my eyes, or else I will die 4 and my enemy will say, "I have overpowered him." My opponents will rejoice because I have been shaken.
- 5 But I trust your mercy. My heart finds joy in your salvation. 6 I will sing to the LORD because he has been good to me.

MESSAGE

WAVES OF DESPAIR OFTEN LEAD TO TIMES OF QUESTIONING.

Psalm 13:1-6 NIV

- 1 How long, LORD? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me?
- 2 How long must I wrestle with my thoughts and day after day have sorrow in my heart? How long will my enemy triumph over me?

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WAVES OF DESPAIR SHOULD MOVE US TO PRAY.

3 Look on me and answer, LORD my God. Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep in death,

4 and my enemy will say, "I have overcome him," and my foes will rejoice when I fall. WAVES OF DESPAIR CAN BE CALMED. 5 But I trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation. 6 I will sing the LORD's praise, for he has been good to me. WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN THE WAVES OF DESPAIR CRASH OVER YOUR LIFE? "TRUST IN THE PROMISE-KEEPING GOD! ~REMEMBER WHEN HE HAS BROUGHT YOU THROUGH! ~RECOGNIZE WHERE HE IS GENEROUS TO YOU! WE WANT MORE IN 2024:

- 1. Deeper encounters with Jesus.
- 2. Salvation & baptisms in Jesus.
- 3. Hearts serving like Jesus.
- 4. Minds of obedience to Jesus.
- 5. Burden for people to know Jesus.