

Psalm 41 | Upheld by Mercy
Sermon Discussion Questions

1. Can you share a time when you either served the poor or interacted with the poor? What impact would you say it had on you?

2. **Read Psalm 41:1–3. What does it mean to “consider the poor” in a biblical sense?**

The Hebrew word implies thoughtful, attentive care—not just material generosity.

In what ways can we develop this perspective in a world that often overlooks weakness?

3. **How does God respond to those who care for the weak, according to verses 1–3?** Which of these is most encouraging to you right now, and why?
4. **Jesus became poor so that we might become rich (2 Corinthians 8:9).** How does Jesus’ life embody Psalm 41:1–3? In what ways are we called to reflect His example—not just in action, but in heart?
5. **Read Psalm 41:4–9. David says, “I have sinned against you.” What does this teach us about confession?** Why is it significant that this psalm of betrayal and pain begins with personal repentance? What does it model for us when we feel wronged?
6. **Have you ever experienced the pain of betrayal from someone close to you?** How does David’s experience (and the deeper betrayal of Jesus by Judas) bring comfort or perspective in that kind of suffering?
7. **Read Psalm 41:10–13. What kind of “vindication” is David asking for?** Is he seeking revenge—or something deeper? How does this shape our own prayers for justice, healing, or restoration?
8. **David’s final word is about being upheld and set “in your presence forever.”** How does this echo Jesus’ own journey from betrayal to resurrection?
9. **How can this hope reshape the way you view suffering, sin, and weakness?**

10. **Close in Prayer Together.**