



Week 4- “God’s Presence And Confident Peace”

In life, it’s not a matter of if, but when we suffer hurts and wounds. So, if this is something everyone has to deal with, then how are we supposed to deal with it? What does God have to say about proper healing for the wounds and hurts we have in our life? In Psalm 27 David shows us how God wants us to handle and deal with these hurts and wounds.

1. Jeremy shared a story about a “hurt” he experienced in his life. If you feel comfortable, share a story from your life about a hurt or wound that happened.
2. Have you ever made a “vow” before after someone or something hurt you? Have you been able to keep it? Why or why not?

Read Psalm 27:1-6

3. Do you resonate with what David says in verse 1? Why or why not?
4. What are some of the real life “evil doers” or enemies you have in your life right now (they can be people or things) that are causing you to be enslaved with fear, worry, or anxiety? David speaks of being confident in the midst of these enemies.
5. On a scale of 1-5 (1=terrified and 5= rock solid confident peace) how would you rate how you feel currently in the midst of these “Enemies”?
6. How is David’s seeking and dwelling in the house/temple of

the Lord connected to God's presence? Why would this give him confident Peace?

7. God's presence gives confident peace in the midst of your hurts and wounds. David here explains what confident peace felt like to him. Do you resonate with David's words? Why or why not?

8. How were you taught to handle the hurts and wounds in your life? What was modeled to you? Is it different or the same as what David is modeling to his Readers?

9. Jeremy stated, "The problem with our wounds is if they don't heal correctly it leads to being imprisoned to worry, fear, and anxiety. The interesting thing about these chronic worries and fears is they can show us where we're running to first instead of God's presence." If you feel comfortable, share what you are running to for peace in your life in the midst of your hurts and wounds?

Read Psalm 27:11-14

10. How can this group help you to "wait on the Lord" and seek God's presence? What practical steps do you need to take to experience God's presence?

David shares with us how he "runs to God's presence" and he seems to remind himself and urge the reader to run to God's presence for confident peace. *"Teach me your way, oh Lord, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies. Give Me not up to the will of my adversaries; for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breed out violence. I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living! Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord! Psalm 27:11-14"* May we run to God's presence for a confident peace in our life in the midst of our hurts and wounds.