



1. Recall _____ (vv.1-3)

2. Always _____ (vv.4-10)

3. Never _____ (vv.11-15)

4. Rejoice _____ (vv.16-17)

Psalm 40

TO THE CHOIRMASTER. A PSALM OF DAVID.

1 I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry.
2 He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure. **3** He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.
4 Blessed is the man who makes the LORD his trust, who does not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after a lie!
5 You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you! I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told. **6** In sacrifice and offering you have not delighted, but you have given me an open ear. Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required. **7** Then I said, "Behold, I have come; in the scroll of the book it is written of me: **8** I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart." **9** I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; behold, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O LORD.
10 I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.
11 As for you, O LORD, you will not restrain your mercy from me; your steadfast love and your faithfulness will ever preserve me! **12** For evils have encompassed me beyond number; my iniquities have overtaken me, and I cannot see; they are more than the hairs of my head; my heart fails me.
13 Be pleased, O LORD, to deliver me! O LORD, make haste to help me! **14** Let those be put to shame and disappointed altogether who seek to snatch away my life; let those be turned back and brought to dishonor who delight in my hurt!
15 Let those be appalled because of their shame who say to me, "Aha, Aha!"
16 But may all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; may those who love your salvation say continually, "Great is the LORD!" **17** As for me, I am poor and needy, but the Lord takes thought for me. You are my help and my deliverer; do not delay, O my God! (ESV)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others. For more information about small groups at Compass Bible Church that utilize these questions as the basis for their weekly discussion, please call the church office at (949) 540-0699 or email us at SmallGroups@CompassChurch.org.

1. Read **Psalm 27:14**. Describe a difficult time when you were made to wait for God to work out a favorable resolve to a problem. What did you learn about finding strength and patience during that season of waiting?
2. Read **Philippians 4:4-9**. What directives do you find in this passage that echo the truths you studied this weekend in Psalm 40?
3. Read **James 4:13-15**. Why is it so important to remember God's sovereign plans when you are made to wait for him to answer your prayers? How does forgetting this fact impact our prospects of peace?
4. Read **Psalm 40:5, 9-10**. What are some recent answers to your prayers? What will you do to make sure you share God's gracious answers with more people?

This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

June 2nd
2Chr. 7-9 & Jn. 13:1-17

June 3rd
2Chr. 10-12 & Jn. 13:18-38

June 4th
2Chr. 13-16 & Jn. 14

June 5th
2Chr. 17-19 & Jn. 15

June 6th
2Chr. 20-22 & Jn. 16:1-15

June 7th
2Chr. 23-25 & Jn. 16:16-33

June 8th
2Chr. 26-28 & Jn. 17

June 9th
2Chr. 29-31 & Jn. 18:1-23

This Week's Compass 20/20 Discussion Question

- Read **1 Chronicles 29:6-9**. How and why can financial giving to the work of God bring joy to God's people?

The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

Msg. 10-16 – **A Biblical Perspective on a Fallen World**
Msg. 07-12 – **Ambitious Faith: Cultivating the Core Ingredient of the Christian Life**
Msg. 12-23 – **Count Your Blessings**
Msg. 18-17 – **The Unbreakable Promises**
Msg. 17-15 – **Loving God's Faithful Promises**
Msg. 07-10 – **Reaching Forward with the Hope of a New World**
Msg. 15-15 – 15-20 – **Christ's School of Prayer** (a six-part series on prayer)

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Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

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