Sermon: Surviving Tough Times By Strengthening Your Faith

Passage: Psalm 27

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Relevant Question: How do you respond to difficult situations?

Main Point: Your faith in Jesus will determine your response to difficult situations.

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Psalm 27:1-3 (CSB)

¹The Lord is my light and my salvation— whom should I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life— whom should I dread?

²When evildoers came against me to devour my flesh, my foes and my enemies stumbled and fell.

³Though an army deploys against me, my heart will not be afraid; though a war breaks out against me, I will still be confident.

God is my Light, so I won't fear darkness.

God is my Salvation, so I won't try to save the day.

God is my Stronghold, so I won't worry.

Psalm 27:4-14 (CSB)

⁴I have asked one thing from the Lord; it is what I desire: to dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, gazing on the beauty of the Lord and seeking him in his temple.

⁵For he will conceal me in his shelter in the day of adversity; he will hide me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

⁶Then my head will be high above my enemies around me; I will offer sacrifices in his tent with shouts of joy. I will sing and make music to the Lord.

⁷Lord, hear my voice when I call; be gracious to me and answer me.

⁸My heart says this about you: "Seek his face." Lord, I will seek your face.

⁹Do not hide your face from me; do not turn your servant away in anger. You have been my helper; do not leave me or abandon me, God of my salvation.

¹⁰Even if my father and mother abandon me, the Lord cares for me.

¹¹Because of my adversaries, show me your way, Lord, and lead me on a level path.

How Do We Increase Your Faith?

- Sit in God's presence daily.
- Make prayer your first response not your last resort.
- Get into the Bible so the Bible gets into you.
- Walk in obedience to the Spirit.

¹²Do not give me over to the will of my foes, for false witnesses rise up against me, breathing violence.

¹³I am certain that I will see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living.

¹⁴Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart be courageous. Wait for the Lord.

[&]quot;The secret of David's public confidence was his private obedience." - Warren Wiersbe