



Scripture for the week of October 25: Psalm 63

“You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you, in a dry and parched land where there is no water. 2 I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory. 3 Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you. 4 I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands. 5 I will be fully satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you. 6 On my bed I remember you; I think of you through the watches of the night. 7 Because you are my help, I sing in the shadow of your wings. 8 I cling to you; your right hand upholds me. 9 Those who want to kill me will be destroyed; they will go down to the depths of the earth. 10 They will be given over to the sword and become food for jackals. 11 But the king will rejoice in God; all who swear by God will glory in him, while the mouths of liars will be silenced.”

Sunday, October 25:

Action: Read above Scripture slowly (even if it is very familiar to you).

Questions to Ponder: What stood out for you as you read this Scripture? What do you hope to be reminded of as you focus on this Scripture this week? Do you see how David responds to God even when he is in the desert? How do you respond to God in difficult times?

Prayer: Teach me this week Lord, how to change the way I respond to You when I am going through a difficult time. I want to delight in You even in the tough times. I want to be able to be reminded of the times I have seen You come through for me when I least expected it so that this will hold me through the times when I struggle.

Monday, October 26:

Action: Read Psalm 63:1: “You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you, in a dry and parched land where there is no water.”

Questions to Ponder: Do you earnestly seek God? Do you thirst for Him with your whole being even when you feel you are in a parched and dry land? How difficult is it for you to do this? Do you try to seek Him when it is difficult? Or do you, try and do things on your own?

Prayer: Lord, sometimes it is difficult to sense You when I am going through a trial in my life. I try to, but often fail at this. I want to be a person who earnestly seeks You at all times. I want to be a person after Your heart. Help me Lord to be connected with You no matter what is going on in my life.

Tuesday, October 27:

Action: Read Psalm 63:2-3: “2 I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory. 3 Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you.”

Questions to Ponder: Have you beheld God’s power and glory? If so, why is it so difficult to continue sensing Him this way? Can you say as David said “...your love is better than life.”? Will you continue to glorify Him even when times are tough? Are you willing to try and remember all the times He has been there for you when you lose sight of Him?

Prayer: God, You have been there for me and I have sensed Your presence powerfully. I want to live my life like that always. I want to see Your power and glory. I want to live like I believe that Your love is better than life. Show me how to live a life like this on a daily basis.

Wednesday, October 28:

Action: Read Psalm 63:4-5: “4 I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands. 5 I will be fully satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you.”

Questions to Ponder: Do you praise God? How do you accomplish this? Do you think God would be happy with the way you show your praise to Him? Can you still praise Him even when things are difficult? If you can't, are you willing to change?

Prayer: Lord, I want to be a person who praises You in the good times and the difficult times. I don't want to be a person who only turns to You when things are good. I want to trust You when things are tough. Let praise always be on my lips and draw me deeper into relationship with You.

Thursday, October 29:

Action: Read Psalm 63:6-7: “6 On my bed I remember you; I think of you through the watches of the night. 7 Because you are my help, I sing in the shadow of your wings.”

Questions to Ponder: How well do you do at experiencing God? Do you experience Him only when You are in the church? Or can you experience Him even in bed? How do you express your thankfulness knowing God is your help? Do you even express how grateful you are? Do you get the idea that we should be in relationship with God always, every day, day and night? Do you desire to live this kind of life? What will you change?

Prayer: Father God, I want to follow David's example and praise You no matter if life is going good or if life has become a challenge. Renew and transform my mind so that my thoughts will jump to You rather than to the pattern of this world.

Friday, October 30:

Action: Read Psalm 63:8-9: “8 I cling to you; your right hand upholds me. 9 Those who want to kill me will be destroyed; they will go down to the depths of the earth.”

Questions to Ponder: Do you see the confidence David had trusting God would take care of his enemies? Do you have that same kind of confidence? Do you desire the same intimacy that David had with God when he admits that he clings to God? What would this look like for you?

Prayer: God, You can do amazing things. I am not sure why I don't always trust this but help me to have more confidence in You that You will do what You have spoken in Your word. Open my eyes to see all that You have done and are doing.

Saturday, October 31:

Action: Read Psalm 63:10-11: “10 They will be given over to the sword and become food for jackals. 11 But the king will rejoice in God; all who swear by God will glory in him, while the mouths of liars will be silenced.”

Questions to Ponder: How have you seen God deal with your enemies? Do you really believe that God can handle any situation for you? Do you ask for His help in desperate times or do you try to handle it by yourself at first? Are you willing to remember the impossible situations that you have seen God do in your life? Doesn't this help you to then be confident that God will do the impossible again?

Prayer: Lord God, You have been doing the impossible in my life and I thank You for that. Continue to reveal all that You have done so that I can be confident that You will do it again. I pray I will be open to watching and waiting for the ways You are working so that I will have that confidence in You.