



SERMON NOTES

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Scripture: Psalm 63:1-11 (NAS)

Topic: "I Will Seek You"

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- 1 O God, You are my God; I shall seek You earnestly; My soul thirsts for You, my flesh yearns for You, In a dry and weary land where there is no water.
- 2 Thus I have seen You in the sanctuary, To see Your power and Your glory.
- 3 Because Your lovingkindness is better than life, My lips will praise You.
- 4 So I will bless You as long as I live; I will lift up my hands in Your name.
- 5 My soul is satisfied as with marrow and fatness, And my mouth offers praises with joyful lips.
- 6 When I remember You on my bed, I meditate on You in the night watches,
- 7 For You have been my help, And in the shadow of Your wings I sing for joy.
- 8 My soul clings to You; Your right hand upholds me.
- 9 But those who seek my life to destroy it, Will go into the depths of the earth.
- 10 They will be delivered over to the power of the sword; They will be a prey for foxes.
- 11 But the king will rejoice in God; Everyone who swears by Him will glory, For the mouths of those who speak lies will be stopped.

I. DEALING WITH PRESSURES

- A. Society Presses In With Many Pressures
- B. Biblical Priorities Can Elevate Pressure

II. DAVID FACED MUCH PRESSURE

- A. He Was King – Therefore Much Responsibility
- B. He Was Dealing With A Revolt Led By His Son
- C. He Wrote Psalm 63

III. SEEKING GOD EARLY, EARNESTLY

- A. First You Must Know God
 1. Not just know about Him
 2. Know Him personally *John 17:3*
 3. Spending time listening, reading, hearing His Word

- B. It Involves Always Wanting To Know God Better

1. Earnestly, early, daily
2. Desiring it like a thirsty man seeks water

IV. WHAT A PERSON WHO SEEKS GOD LOOKS LIKE

- A. Does He Become A Dull, Dry Secluded Person? No
- B. He Is A Contented Person Who Knows Inner Joy
- C. There Is Peace When Surrounded By Foes

V. HOW DO WE SEEK THE LORD?

- A. First There Must Be A Personal Relationship With Him *Acts 16:31*
- B. You Must Love God *Matthew 22:37; Genesis 24*
 1. Emotional relationship
 2. Loyalty in relationship
- C. It Involves Regularly Spending Time Alone With God
 1. Pray
 2. Study His Word
 3. Worship
 4. Integrating Him into every part of your life