



HUB NOTES | FEBRUARY 18, 2024 | DAVE ANDERSON

Psalm 27

1) Can you name one fear that you are having a really hard time with this week?

HUB leaders, start with you. Giving your HUB group a safe place to articulate their fears (small or big) and unmet expectations is so important for their growth journey in addressing their fears.

2) What happens if fear rules and controls your life? What happens if fear rules your relationships?

It's important for us to realize the profound impact fear has on our lives. It destroys families, relationships, confidence, etc. It leads to sinful coping mechanisms and we become a shadow of ourselves and what God has called us to be.

Read Psalm 27

3) What are David's fears and how does he process those fears?

4) Why should we "behold the beauty of the Lord" when we are fearful?

Worry, fear and anxiety can only be broken by a stronger attraction. There is only one stronger attraction and that is the beauty of God. "To behold the beauty of the LORD, And to inquire in His temple." God's beauty is the best solution to all our fears. He is more captivating and glorious than all my fears.

5) What are some ways we can “behold the beauty of the Lord” when we are fearful?

Your HUB group will come up with some great ideas, but to prime the pump you can talk about going on a walk in nature and talking to God during that time or reading passages that describe the glory of God (i.e. Colossians 1, Revelation 1, etc.) or meditating on God’s attributes as we have this month, etc.

6) At the end of Psalm 27, David says, “I would have lost heart, unless I had believed that I would see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living. Wait on the LORD; Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the LORD!” (vs. 13-14)

In what ways do we see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living?

In what ways do we have to wait to see the goodness of the Lord in the future?

God does show us many glimpses of His goodness while we are alive (answered prayer, changed lives, changed circumstances, miraculous interventions, loving provision).

With some situations, though, we will have to wait - until we are reunited with loved ones in eternity, are cancer free in our new bodies, until Jesus restores order & justice, eliminates sin & suffering and restores full beauty, etc.

7) Close in prayer, specifically addressing our fears.

2024 BREAKTHROUGH PRAYERS:

- Father, move our hearts into prayerful worship.
- Father, please give 50 of us the courage to lead a discipleship group for the first time.
- Father, set the Nyamwezi free from Satan’s strongholds and help them embrace the family of God. (Use us to build a Christ-centered reproducing church among an unreached people group - the Nyamwezi - by 2030).
- Father, make our campus a place of beauty, safety and refuge that attracts others to Jesus.
- Father, give us the humble mind of Christ as we seek unity together (Phil 2:3-8).