

Series: DAVID: Portrait of a King

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Message: The Pen of Truth

Text: Psalm 57:1-11

DIGGING DEEPER GUIDE

BIG IDEA: GOD IS OUR REFUGE

Getting Started

What is your favorite song or favorite musical genre? Why?

Reflection/Discussion Questions

1. Why do you think David wrote songs and prayers? What did it do for his soul? His outlook on life?
2. David is very honest with God and writes some hard things about his enemies. Are you able to speak this honestly with God about your struggles? Why or why not?
3. At the end of most Psalms written by David, he chooses to praise God. When do you have to make a choice to praise God because it doesn't come easy?
4. Have you ever thought of God as a "refuge?" Would this be a word that you would use to describe God's presence in your life? Or another word?
5. What promises or favorite verses do you lean on in uncertain times?
6. In learning from David, would you take on the challenge to read one Psalm each day for the next month? How could you grow from this discipline?
7. What are the prayer requests on your mind today?

Prayer: Lord, thank you for the book of Psalms that records so many of the prayers and songs of your people. Thank you for the way that David freely expressed his heart to you. Help us to come to you honestly with all of our thoughts and feelings, so we can know you better. Amen.

Going Deeper: Look at the small, italic print that introduces Psalm 51-61. Notice the various descriptions of the times that David wrote these Psalms. Does it sound like good times or difficult times? Some of both?

FOCUS SCRIPTURES:

"Have mercy on me, O God, have mercy on me, for in you my soul takes refuge. I will take refuge in the shadow of your wings until the storm has passed." Psalm 57:1

"I will praise you, O Lord, among the nations; I will sing of you among the peoples. For great is your love, reaching to the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies. Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let your glory be over all the earth." Psalm 57:9-11

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." Hebrews 13:8