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I Will Trust You

Psalm 84
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Using This Study

❶ EXAMINE His Word

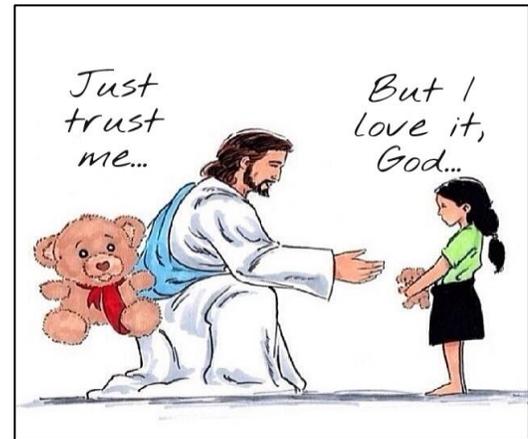
What does God SAY? Open your time with prayer. The words God uses to communicate matters, so go back and pay close attention to the details that are emphasized or repeated in the passage.

❷ EXPLORE His Word

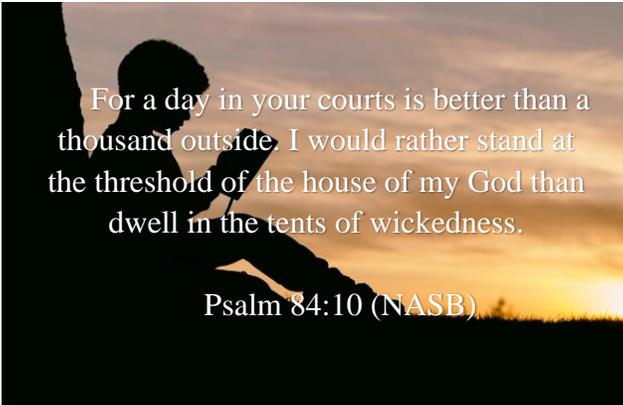
What does God MEAN? Asking questions of the text helps surface how the details relate to the message God wants to communicate.

❸ EMBRACE His Word

Why does it MATTER to me? Embrace God by responding to what you discover in His word in faith and obedience.



This week we're going to take a look at Psalms 84. In this passage, the sons of Korah are praising God, declaring their unwavering belief in Him being good above all else. They end their Psalm stating that God won't withhold any good thing from those who walk with Him. There are times where we read the Word and God is calling us to trust Him with a certain situation, reminding us the result will be for our good. But there are moments where we hesitate. Sometimes, we're don't see how He'll bring about the good we desire. Sometimes we doubt God has good in store for us. Join us this week as we discuss how to move from trusting our own ways are good to emulating the sons of Korah, trusting His way is better.



For a day in your courts is better than a thousand outside. I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

Psalm 84:10 (NASB)

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Longing for the Temple Worship.

FOR THE CHOIR DIRECTOR; ^(A)ON THE
GITTITH. A PSALM OF THE SONS OF
KORAH.

84 How lovely are Your dwelling places,
O LORD of hosts!
²My soul longed and even yearned for the courts of
the LORD;
My heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living
God.
³The bird also has found a house,
And the swallow a nest for herself, where she may
lay her young,
Even Your altars, O LORD of hosts,
My King and my God.
⁴How blessed are those who dwell in Your house!
They are ever praising You. ^(B)*Selah.*
⁵How blessed is the man whose strength is in You,
In ^(C)whose heart are the highways to Zion!
⁶Passing through the valley of ^(D)Baca they make it

a ^(E)spring;
The early rain also covers it with blessings.
⁷They go from strength to strength,
^(F)*Every one of them* appears before God in Zion.
⁸O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer;
Give ear, O God of Jacob! *Selah.*
⁹Behold our shield, O God,
And look upon the face of Your anointed.
¹⁰For a day in Your courts is better than a
thousand *outside.*
I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of
my God
Than dwell in the tents of wickedness.
¹¹For the LORD God is a sun and shield;
The LORD gives grace and glory;
No good thing does He withhold ^(G)from those who
walk ^(H)uprightly.
¹²O LORD of hosts,
How blessed is the man who trusts in You!

o EXAMINE His Word (Observation) (For personal preparation)

What does God SAY? Prayerfully note significant details and terms emphasized in the foregoing passage.

1. Who is involved in the text? Author, audience, main characters.
2. Where and when is this taking place? Geography and timeline.
3. What actions are carried out or commanded? Look for the verbs.
4. Is there anything repeated?
5. What is emphasized?
6. Is there anything in these passages that is related to other areas of scripture?
7. Are there things to be noted that are alike or unlike such as similes and metaphors?

2 EXPLORE His Word (Interpretation) (For Community Group discussion)
What does God MEAN?

8. How does the psalmist feel about the courts of the Lord?

9. In what emotional state are those who dwell with God?

10. What are the highways to Zion?

11. What is the valley of Baca? How does that help us interpret v. 6?

12. How do we interpret the metaphor “sun and shield”? Explain your answer.

13. “No good thing does He withhold from those who walk uprightly.” Are these apparent good things? Spiritual good things? Both?

③ **EMBRACE His Word (Application)** (For Community Group discussion)
Why does this MATTER to me?

14. What would it look like to place your desires under His authority this week?

15. What is one victory God blessed you with recently? What did that do for your faith?

Summarize your thoughts on the passage

Write about what God wants you to KNOW, to FEEL, and to DO...

Sermon Notes