



Family preparation for congregational worship on July 30, 2017

Our Scripture-Psalm 63 (ESV): O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. ² So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. ³ Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. ⁴ So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands. ⁵ My soul will be satisfied as with fat and rich food, and my mouth will praise you with joyful lips, ⁶ when I remember you upon my bed, and meditate on you in the watches of the night; ⁷ for you have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings I will sing for joy. ⁸ My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me. ⁹ But those who seek to destroy my life shall go down into the depths of the earth; ¹⁰ they shall be given over to the power of the sword; they shall be a portion for jackals. ¹¹ But the king shall rejoice in God; all who swear by him shall exult, for the mouths of liars will be stopped.

Discuss:

1. How does the Psalm writer describe his situation? (v.1)
2. What is the theme of this Psalm? (vv.1-11).
3. What happens to those who trust God? (v.11).

Prayer: Praise the Lord for the unconditional love that He has given you. Praise the Lord that He is your heavenly Father. Ask God to search your heart and cleanse you from any sin the Holy Spirit brings to mind. Pray for a greater love for fellow Christians. Pray for your daily activities. Pray for the Good News Jail and Prison Ministry as they minister to jail and prison inmates here and around the world. Ask the Lord who He would have you invite to church this coming Sunday.

Memorize: (July) *You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore. Psalm 16:11(esv)*

Music:

As you meditate and prepare your heart for worship this Sunday, sing this song to the Lord;

*I am so glad that our Father in heaven tells of His love in the book He has given.
Wonderful things in the Bible I see, this is the dearest, that Jesus loves me.*

*I am so glad that Jesus loves me, Jesus loves me, Jesus loves me.
I am so glad that Jesus loves me; Jesus loves even me.*

*O if there's only one song I can sing when in His beauty I see the great king,
This shall my song in eternity be: "O what a wonder, that Jesus loves me!"*

*I am so glad that Jesus loves me, Jesus loves me, Jesus loves me.
I am so glad that Jesus loves me; Jesus loves even me*

"Jesus Loves Even Me", The Celebration Hymnal, #495, Word Music/Integrity Music © 1997

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FAINTS	FLESH	GLORY
HAND	JUDAH	LAND
LIFE	LIFT	LIPS
LIVE	LONG	LOOKED
LOVE	MOUTH	NAME
POWER	PRAISE	PSALM
SEEK	SOUL	WHEN