

DISCIPLE GROUP CURRICULUM CURRICULUM GUIDE

Psalms – A Sermon Series: Week 16, Psalm 91 August 4 – August 7, 2022

LEADER NOTES

Upcoming Dates to Know

July 31-August 29: Optional summer break August 18-28: Fall Trimester Group Sign-ups

ANNOUNCEMENTS – What's your next step? Stay connected, visit coe22.com/news.

Deepen Encounter is being held on **both August 19 and 20** and will have a **different schedule each day.** We invite you to join us and reflect on what God continues to do since our launch in 2012 and discuss where God is leading us in the future. This will be a time where we worship through song, fellowship, teaching and prayer. **Click here to sign up.**

Serve opportunity at your Eleven22 Retreat Center

Serve individually, with your disciple group or with friends. Some of the opportunities include splitting wood, planting flowers, cleaning cabins or general repair and upkeep of God's creation. We're asking that you and/or your group serve between 2-4 hours. Click here to sign up.

THIS WEEK'S READING PLAN: <u>coe22.com/readingplan</u>

Psalms - Week 16: Under His Wing

Share Wins, Praises and Prayers: Where did you see God move this week?

The Point: "Because he holds fast to me in love, I will deliver him; I will protect him, because he knows my name. When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honor him." - Psalm 91:14-15

SERMON TEXT: Psalm 91, Luke 13:34, Ephesians 6:10-20, 1 John 4:18, Romans 16:20, Romans 8:31-39

Discussion Questions

DISCOVER

LEADERS: Ask someone to read Psalm 91.

- What stood out to you from the sermon? How can you apply that this week?
- What did God reveal to you in Psalm 91, maybe for the first time?
- What does it mean to dwell in the shadow of the LORD? What can you do to draw closer to Jesus and abide in Him? (To dwell in Him means to remain in His presence. To be in someone's shadow you have to stay close. Spend time with Jesus. Pray. Listen. Read your Bible. Attend worship, praise Him and spend time with fellow believers.)

DEEPEN

Leaders: Ask someone to read 1 John 4:18, Romans 16:20 and Romans 8:31-39.

- Pastor Joby pointed out that where you run to first when you are in trouble is your functional savior. What do you run to a person, a bottle, food, porn, a hobby, work? What steps can you take, today and this week, to make Jesus the first person you run to? (Set up times to pray, read your Bible and search out verses that comfort and strengthen you in times of trouble. Memorize them so you can lean on them.)
- What would you say to someone who asks, "If God is good, why do bad things happen to 'good' people?" (Pastor Joby pointed out, there are no "good" people. All of us are sinners. He also gave an answer to this with five possible reasons: You are doing something you shouldn't. Other people are sinning against you. Satan is attacking you. Sin remains in the world. God has a plan beyond our understanding and what the enemy means for evil, God uses for good.)
- Psalm 91:10 says, "...no evil shall be allowed to befall you, no plague come near your tent." How can you pray that with faith today, even though our prayers aren't always answered the way we would like and sometimes evil does befall people we pray for? (Pastor Joby pointed out we can pray to Jesus the way Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego did (Daniel 3:16-28). I know you can, Jesus. I'm praying and believing you will. But, even if you don't, I will still praise you, worship you, trust in you and not bow down to false idols.)
- In Psalm 91:14-16 God gives us seven promises. What do these promises tell us about the character and attributes of God? How can you call and rely on these promises in times of trouble?

ACTION STEP

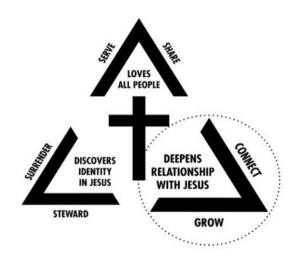
A Disciple...Loves All People, Discovers Identity in Jesus, Deepens Relationship with Jesus.

This Week: Break into groups of two or three and spend time praying the promises of Psalm 91 over each other.

Additional Resources:

- A Psalm a Day: Text "Psalms" to 441122 to join us as we read through the Psalms together.
- **Psalms Resources:** Visit <u>coe22.com/psalms</u> or download the Eleven22 App.
- **RightNow Media:** Find an unending supply of resources by signing up for a FREE RightNow Media account. Go to coe22.com/rightnowmedia or text "RightNow" to 441122.

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