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Psalms – A Sermon Series: Week 9, Psalm 57

June 16 - June 19, 2022

LEADER NOTES

Upcoming Dates to Know

June 6 - July 31: Summer Trimester

July 31 & August 7: New Leader Trainings. Visit coe22.com/newleader to get started

August 18-28: Fall Trimester Group Sign-ups

ANNOUNCEMENTS - WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP?

To stay connected to all that God is doing in and through The Church of Eleven22, visit **coe22.com/news**.

Equipping Conversations

Equipping Ministry teachers are available to come to your disciple group to teach a session on Apologetics, Interpreting Scripture, the Discipleship Journey Tool, World Religions, How to Create Your Testimony and more. Visit coe22.com/leaderresources and scroll to "Equipping Conversations" or click HERE.

Group SENT Event June Partner Highlight – Sponsored By Grace (sponsoredbygrace.org)

Do you have a heart for making an eternal impact in the lives of the people God has placed around you? Are you willing to be a voice for "the least of these"? Join us in our very own community as we elevate the broken, engage the hearts of others and empower children and families that have been overlooked for generations. Come serve on the Northside or Arlington area of Jacksonville with a ministry that is strategically focused on serving children and families dealing with crime and poverty. Learn more at coe22.com/localmission.

Discipleship Journey Workshop | June 25 at our San Pablo Campus

Come be equipped on how to be a disciple-making disciple. At this interactive workshop we will look at different Scriptures and walk through our discipleship journey triangle together! Register at coe22.com/events.

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

Sunday – Psalm 57 Monday – Psalm 59 Tuesday – Psalm 56 Wednesday – Psalm 52 Thursday – Psalm 58 Friday – Psalm 53 Saturday – Psalm 68

LOOKING BACK

WHAT HAPPENED IN YOUR LIFE THIS PAST WEEK? (Check-in, encourage and pray.)

- How were you obedient to God? Have you been reading/listening to the Psalms?
- Where did you struggle?

Psalms Week 9: Send Out

The Point: He will send from heaven and save me; he will put to shame him who tramples on me. Selah God will send out his steadfast love and his faithfulness! – Psalm 57:3

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let your glory be over all the earth! – Psalm 57:5

SERMON TEXT: Psalm 57; 1 Samuel 18-23

Discussion Questions

DISCOVER

Before Psalm 57 was written there was a lot that happened in David's life. What do you remember
from the sermon about the events that led to the writing of Psalm 57? Why is it important to know
what is happening in David's life as he writes this Psalm? (David was on the run from King Saul, a
skilled warrior trying to kill him. He was running from cave to cave. Saul threw a spear at David while
in a small room together.)

LEADERS: Ask someone to read Psalm 57 and use the questions as a guide for discussion.

- What promises from God does David offer to us in this Psalm? (Refuge, eventual vindication, God hears us cry out, heavenly protection that comes from God's love and faithfulness, and bad people will eventually fall into their own pit.)
- When David panicked, he became "unreliable, unrestrained and uncustomary." Why are these common responses to circumstances around us? (At best, responding in these ways is unhelpful. At worst, they are sinful. They are common responses of all of us because by nature we are sinners. Responding similarly can also be easier and quicker than doing the hard work of taking our concerns to God and laying the burdens at his feet.)
- What are the appropriate responses to circumstances and pressure we see from David in Psalm 57 and why do they glorify God? (Recognition in v1-3 David recognizes that if he is to be saved from all of this, it will be God who will do it. Recollection in v4-6 David remembers how God has provided/protected in the past. Realization in v7-11 David begins to praise God for his salvation.)

DEEPEN

Let's go deeper into God's word and discuss how we can apply these truths to our lives!

LEADERS: Ask someone to read Ephesians 2:10 and use the questions as a guide for discussion.

 Why was King Saul unable to defeat King David and why should that give us eternal hope against our enemies and circumstances? • Why and how did God prepare David to be sent to the nations? How is God preparing you to be moved to action and sent into the world?

ACTION STEP

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

Leader Read: David found himself in the place of persecution, but it was God's place of preparation. The call of God will become clear while in the place of preparation.

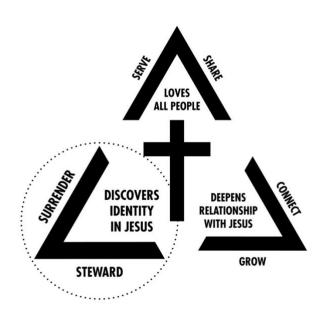
This Week: Ask yourself, "where is God calling me to live more 'on mission' in my life?".

- "I will" find a quiet space to talk to God about where He is calling me to live more "on mission."
- "I will" write out every opportunity that God places in my mind and on my heart.

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 <u>coe22.com/rightnowmedia</u> or text "RightNow" to 441122.

(Note: You'll need to login or create an account to view RightNow Media content.)



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