

Week 30– Questions to Consider

Psalm 87 ~ Psalm 88 ~ Psalm 89 ~ Proverbs 19:1-13

Small Group Warm Up Question:

What is your favorite Christian song? Why?

1. When was a time in your life when you were overwhelmed and anxious about future? How did you experience God during that season? Did you ever feel He was far away or ignoring you? Like He was punishing you? (Psalm 88:3-7, 14) How did God end up rescuing you from or strengthening you through that season of suffering?
2. Did you ever have friends abandon you in hard times? What did that look and feel like? How did you have other friends stick with you and reveal their genuineness in rough days? (Psalm 88:8, 18; Proverbs 17:7)
3. Why is important to keep coming to God daily and throughout our day (“day and night” Psalm 88:1, “every day” Psalm 88:9, and “in the morning” Psalm 88:13)? How does it help you to have regular and continuous conversation with God in prayer? What are some practices that help you be more consistent in prayer and Bible reading/listening?
4. Read Psalm 89:5-12. What parts of God’s creation make you more in awe of God? Why? How could you be more intentional to enjoy God through His creation?
5. What does it mean to “walk” or live in “the light of” God’s “face” (Psalm 89:15) and “exult in your name all the day”? Why is such a person described as “blessed”? (Psalm 89:15-18)
6. Psalm 89 focuses a lot on Israel’s hope through King David and his descendants. How did God show His “steadfast love” and “faithfulness” to Israel through King David and his descendants? (Psalm 89:1) Although King David and many of his descendants failed significantly and were dethroned (Psalm 89:38), his descendent in Jesus never failed and is enthroned forever. How is Jesus the ultimate King of Kings? What does that mean for us? How should that impact our prayers?
7. How would you define “integrity”? How do you seek to be a man or woman of integrity? Why is being a person of integrity so important to our Christian witness? What earthly benefits come with being a person of integrity? (Proverbs 19:1)
8. How can you tell a true friend from a fake friend? What are some good characteristics of friends? (Proverbs 19:4,6,7)

More questions @ www.southfork.church/psalms-proverbs-discussion-guide

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This Next Week’s Psalms & Proverbs Reading Plan:

Week 31: Psalm 90 ~ Psalm 91 ~ Psalm 92 ~ Proverbs 19:14-29

- **Hope & Purpose in Jesus:** www.southfork.church/jesus

- **Daily Verse by Text Message:** remind.com/join/sfbcd devo

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