

Series: Topical
Passage Psalm 27

Title: The Veracity of God

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Discussion Starter –David wrote this Psalm when he was in the wilderness, running from Saul. His situation was dire. What do you do when anxiety begins to dominate your thinking and actions? How might leaning into Jesus help bring clarity to difficult situations? What does it mean to lean into Jesus?

God is light, salvation, strength of life (verses 1-6)

- Faith in Jesus is relational at its core. David not only worshipped the LORD but has an intimate relationship with him as well. Why does David describe the LORD as his light? What does this light illuminate?
- Being afraid may take us to a dark place of worry and unhealthy obsession. How might God's light allow us to see life accurately? How might our relationship with Jesus drive away fear, allowing us to face our problems?
- David calls the LORD his salvation. What had happened in David's life to give him confidence that God would deliver him? What is the difference in how God often times brings deliverance to our immediate problems versus how we would like to be delivered?
- From where does David's confidence originate? (verse 3) How might this apply to you?
- What three things does David seek from the LORD? How does Jesus fulfill these desires for us? (see verse 4, John 15:4)
- What benefit does David receive by abiding in the LORD? (verse 5) What does "tabernacle" represent in this verse? (What does the tabernacle foreshadow?)
- What effect does David's relationship with the LORD have on his mental state? (verse 6) Does your relationship with the LORD effect you in the same ways as David's?

God's light allows us to see life accurately (verse 7-14)

- Why does David ask the LORD to be merciful? How is this an indication of David's humility? (verse 7)
- Why is it important to understand that Jesus initiated our relationship with him? How does David respond to the LORD's invitation? How do we balance our emotional and intellectual understanding of God? (Verses 8-10)

Wait on the LORD

- What does waiting on the LORD imply? Describe this in your own words.
- How does this psalm instruct how to "wait" on the LORD? What does it mean that the LORD will "strengthen your heart"?