

# AUTHENTIC PRAYER: SEEKING

**Psalm 63:1-11**  
**July 5, 2009**

## **What condition David is in (v.1)**

David is in the wilderness, fleeing for his life (either from Saul or from Absalom)

But that's not the main point of his prayer: the main point is that David is thirsting for God

## **What David does about his thirst (vv.1, 5-6)**

David expresses to God his desire for God (v.1)  
(See also Psa 27:4; 42:1-2; 73:25-26)

David remembers God and meditates on God (vv.5-6)

## **How God responds to David (v.2)**

God enables David to see and feel and experience God's actual power and glory.  
(See also 2 Cor 3:18; 4:6; Eph 1:18; 3:18-19; Matt 13:13; Luk 10:22)

## **How this affects David (vv.3-11)**

David was completely satisfied in God Himself (vv.3-8)

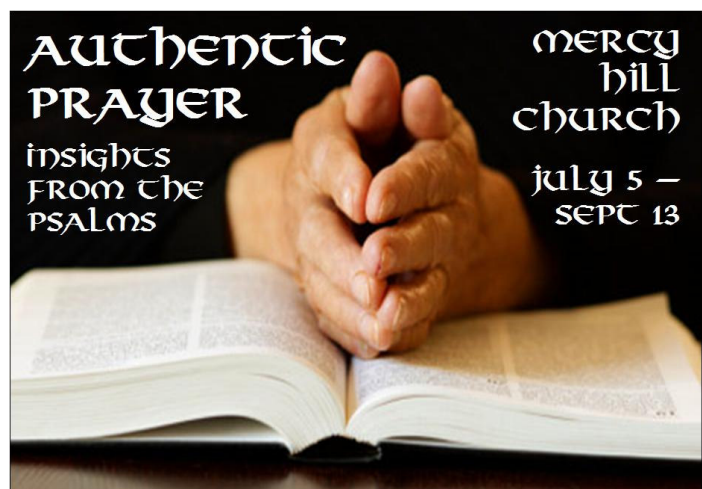
David was completely confident in God's promises (vv.9-11)

## **What this means for us**

Don't settle for thirst.

Trust that as you seek God in and through Jesus, your thirst will be satisfied.

Make seeking a regular part of your prayer.



## **HOME GROUP DISCUSSION OF SUNDAY'S TEACHING**

Read Psalm 63:1-11.

What was the Holy Spirit saying to you Sunday through this passage?

What questions, ideas, objections, encouragements did you come away with?

Have you ever accepted spiritual thirst as normal? Why is this so easy to do? What helped you stop seeing thirst as normal?

What happens to us if we accept spiritual thirst as normal?

How much has seeking been a part of your prayer life? How has this worked for you?

Why is it so important to express to God your desire for God (as David does in v.1)?

Why is it so important to remember and meditate on who God is (as David mentions in vv.5-6)?

Share about times when, as you have sought God, He has graciously enabled you to behold Him and see His power and glory.

What keeps you from being more earnest in seeking God?

What's your take-away from this passage? What are you going to do differently? When?

Share prayer requests that come up in the discussion, jot them down below, and pray for each other.

