



## DAILY DEVOTIONS



What does this passage say?



What did this passage mean to its original audience?



What does this passage tell us about God?



What does this passage tell us about man?



What does this passage demand of me?



How does this passage change the way I relate to people?



How does this passage prompt me to pray?

## PSALM 96:1-6

God is glorified when we love Him with all of our hearts. But what is one way to show your love for someone? You tell them and others. You can hardly love yourself, look back at the verbs in Psalms 96:1-3: sing, sing, sing, bless, tell, declare. We want to glorify God in our hearts and will exalt Him with our lips. Jesus taught that our words express what is truly in our hearts (Luke 6:45). If we believe God is great (96:4), is the only true God (96:5) and is majestic and beautiful (96:6), we will tell of His salvation and life among all people.

HOW CAN SINGING TO THE LORD BECOME A PART OF YOUR DAILY LIFE?

WHO CAN YOU TELL ABOUT SALVATION?

WHAT "MARVELOUS WORKS" HAS GOD DONE THAT YOU CAN SHARE WITH OTHERS?

PSALM

# PSALM 96:7-10

WHAT ARE SOME REASONS GOD DESERVES OUR GLORY AND WORSHIP?

WHY DOES IT GLORIFY GOD FOR US TO "TREMBLE BEFORE HIM" (96:9)?

HOW DOES IT COMFORT YOU TO KNOW THAT GOD IS IN CONTROL?

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## DAY 03

# PSALM 96:11-13

Every creature exalts the God who made it. The whole creation rejoices to have a God who is righteous and faithful. But surely, He has treated us the best. Despite our rebellion, He has extended grace and mercy. He forgives beyond measure. If the whole creation praises Him, how much more should we? We should join the chorus of creation to sing His praises—not reluctantly, but with gladness and rejoicing.

HOW CAN SCIENCE SUPPORT THE IDEA OF CREATION WORSHIPING GOD?

WHY SHOULD WE "SING FOR JOY" (96:12) EVEN OVER GOD'S JUDGMENTS?

HOW CAN YOU REJOICE OVER GOD'S FAITHFULNESS TO YOU?

## 2 CORINTHIANS 4:1-2

HOW MIGHT GOD'S MERCY TOWARD YOU MAKE YOU MORE BOLD FOR HIM?

WHAT DO YOU THINK IT MEANS TO "TAMPER WITH GOD'S WORD" (4:2)?

WHY IS IT SO IMPORTANT FOR OUR LIFESTYLE TO MATCH OUR MESSAGE?

We may be tempted to ignore parts of God's word for the sake of popularity or acceptance, but the Scriptures are not ours to change. As we share God's message of truth, we must be careful to walk in the truth. When we act disgracefully, we damage the mission God has given us, but when we live for God with a clear conscience, both our lives and our message will make a difference for His kingdom.

DAY 06

## 2 CORINTHIANS 4:5-6

How can we help people see the presence of God? We must point to Him and let His glory shine brightly. For if the world may see a glimpse of God through us, but we always fall short of displaying God perfectly, Jesus is the perfect image (4:6), so keep sharing Jesus so the world can see Him and be saved.

HOW DOES SIN PREVENT US FROM SEEING GOD'S GLORY?

WHY DOES STUDYING SCRIPTURE HELP US SEE THE "FACE OF JESUS" (4:6)?

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO RECOGNIZE SPIRITUAL WARFARE IS INVOLVED IN KEEPING PEOPLE FROM FAITH IN JESUS?