

Sunday, July 24, 2022 - "Summer in the Psalms - Week 4 - Psalm 8: It's An Inside Job" - Kevin Dupree

Key Passages: Psalm 8, 1 Samuel 30:1-6, 1 Peter 2:9, John 8:12

- Feel free to read the passage(s) out loud as a group
- Allow the group to share freely about what stood out to them from the passage or from Sunday's message

#### Main Ideas

- Peace is an inside job...are you trying to find peace externally?
- 1 Samuel 30:1-6
  - David and his men come back to their city and find it burned and their wives and children taken
  - They wept until they couldn't weep anymore
  - The first thought was to stone David → We allow trauma to kill relationships
- What do I do when I have God's peace but still need to fight a fight?
  - Sometimes we stop at peace
  - Sometimes we need to ask for God's strength
- 1 Peter 2:9 (John 8:12)
- We WILL have conflict
  - We are LIGHT in the world and darkness is Satan's playground
  - He wants everything dark so he can go to town
  - We can get distracted/blinded by the conflict Satan has us in
- How do we encourage ourselves in the Lord like David did in Psalm 8
  - David made himself little before God
    - He humbled himself
    - He made God big (we can't be big and allow God to be big at the same time)
    - When God is the giant → our situations become small and supernatural things happen
  - David encouraged himself in the Lord
    - There are things that God hasn't revealed to us yet
    - Sometimes we need to get out of the way and allow Him to work in our lives
    - Trust Him to be the giant in your situation
- Will you become little to awaken the giant in you by surrendering your life to Jesus Christ?

Questions (Feel free to use all of these, some of these, or none of these)

1. What do you think it means that peace is an "inside job"?
2. How have you experienced just because your light was coming up against darkness?
3. What does it look like for you to make yourself little so that God can be big?
4. How have you witnessed and experienced the "bigness" of God?
5. Where is God calling you to seek His strength in addition to His peace?
6. What is God inviting you into as a result of this message or passage?

#### **\*\*Psalms Plus 30 Reading Plan\*\***

**Mon: Psalm 25,55,85,115,145 Tues: Psalm 26,56,86,116, 146 Wed: Psalm 27,57,87,117,147 Thurs: Psalm 28,58,88,118,148**

**Fri: Psalm 29,59,89,149**

**Songs from the weekend: [Do It Again - *Elevation Worship*] - [Reason to Praise - *Bethel Music*] - [Shall Not Want - *Maverick City*] - [Alpha and Omega - *Israel Houghton*]**