

LIFE Group Sermon Questions

Psalms for You: When Your Love Has Grown Cold

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Psalms 117



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“Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol him, all peoples! 2 For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord!”

Sermon Outline

When your love for God has grown cold:

I. Enjoy his love for you (Psalm 117:2)

- a. Think on the sins he’s pardoned (Psalm 103:11-12)
- b. Think on the Son he’s sent (Romans 5:6-8)
- c. Think on the gifts he’s given (James 1:17)

II. Remember his faithfulness to you (Psalm 117:2)

- a. He has been faithful
- b. He will be faithful

Discussion Questions

1. What did you learn today from the Scripture passage(s) that you didn’t know before? What is something that hit you in a fresh way?

2. How would you define love? How do you think the world in generally would define love? How does the Bible define love?

3. When do you find it hardest to love God? Why do you think that is? What do you try doing to get it going?

4. Take a few minutes to scan through Scripture for what it says about God’s love. How do these verses/passages/stories encourage you? What does it tell you about God?

5. Take a few minutes to scan through Scripture for what it says about God’s faithfulness. How do these verses/passages/stories encourage you? What does it tell you about God?

6. Pastor Josh mentioned three “proofs” for God’s love: your sins pardoned, his Son sent, and the gifts he’s given. How do each resonate with you? Which do you have the hardest time “seeing”?

7. How should a person go about thinking on the sins God has forgiven without accidentally tipping into a morbid preoccupation with the wrongs he or she has done?
8. What are some gifts God has given you? What are some personal, tailor-made ways that God has shown his love to you recently?
9. In what ways has God been faithful to you? What does the faithfulness of God look like (i.e. does it always mean he'll do what we want? Or that our life will be easy?)
10. Why is it important that the faithfulness of the Lord "endures forever" (Psalm 117:2)?
11. How does knowing God *will be* faithful (in the future) help you today? What's something you're scared you might go through (in the future) that is helped by this truth?
12. Psalm 117 is a testimony of the Psalmist's own love for God, but it's also a summons to the nations to praise God. How might the love and faithfulness God has toward you fuel a desire to see others come to Christ?
13. Everyone in the world is looking for love and everyone in the world wants stability. God in Christ offers both. How might you speak from your own personal experience of both in sharing with others what could be theirs through faith?