



The Book of Psalms

Praise and Prayers for Every Day

Psalm 9

Reading: Psalm 9:1-20

What does it mean to be whole-hearted in the context of the First Commandment? Why is this exhortation from David for us to praise God with our whole hearts so important for our daily lives?

Matthew 22:37-38 *“Jesus said, ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the first and great commandment.”*

Psalm 9 is a contrast piece between the people of God and the other nations. In the historical context – who was David talking about?

How does the “*new birth*” change our hearts and turn our love toward Jesus?

As you are reading through this Psalm – what are a couple of promises that we have as the people of God?

In verse 20 – we find the most telling scripture on the plight of the nations – that they “*may know themselves to be but men.*” Why does God want to be a consuming fire for us as the people of God?

Hebrews 12:28-29 *“Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. For our God is a consuming fire.”*

Promise to cling to this week: *“For You, Lord, have not forsaken those who seek You.”* (verse 10b)