

Psalms of Summer
The Journey Matters

Psalm 16
July 7, 2019

Getting started...

Psalm 16 gives us several practical ways to walk closely with God (vs. 1-2):
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- Find godly examples (vs. 3)
- Don't chase after other things (vs. 4-6)
- Receive the Lord's counsel (vs. 7)
- Keep your eyes on the Lord (vs. 8)
- Stop to praise God often (vs. 9-10)
- Take time to simply enjoy Him (vs. 11)

Thoughts for discussion...

Can you think of occasions in your life when the journey seemed to be just as important as the destination?

Who are the godly people in your life whose example you're following?
Who are you taking time to encourage, teach and share your spiritual journey with?

We may not have idols in the way ancient cultures did, but what are the other "gods" people run after today? What makes these things so appealing?

Why do you think people struggle to be content with God as the only "good thing" they need?

Have you heard the expression "That person is so heavenly minded they're no earthly good?" How do we balance the great hope we have for after this life (new heaven and new earth in God's presence) with the reality that we are still on this earth and we don't have that experience in full yet?

Which of the Psalmist's encouragements for walking closely with God could you focus on implementing this week?

Pray that God will give you the grace, gratitude and discipline to walk closely with Him as you go through your week.