

Sermon Discussion Questions: Longing for Trust (Psalm 146)
Advent Week 4: December 22, 2019

1. What in the sermon encouraged you, comforted you, challenged you, or informed you?

2. What are some places of need in your life right now where you know you need God's help?

3. According to Psalm 146 why can we trust God as our help and our hope more than humankind can be trusted?

4. Read Psalm 89:24-37. This Psalm references God's promise to King David and the people of God under his rule. It can also be understood as God's faithful promise to all of His covenant people by faith who live under the rule of King Jesus. According to this section why can we trust God's promise even in our own sinfulness?

5. What are the various ways God helps in this verse? Compare these verses with Jesus' statement in Luke 4:16-21. Pray this Psalm together as a group asking God to help many facing similar circumstances of need such as those in Psalm 146:7-9 within our own city, nation, and world. As you pray consider the various needs of the oppressed, the hungry, the prisoners, the blind, those bowed down, sojourners, widows and the fatherless. Ask for particular help based on those needs.

Prayerfully read through Luke verses this week.

- **Adoration:** Read and adore God for His great character and kingdom clarified in the verse.
- **Meditation:** Read and consider key phrases, prepositions, people, plots, connections, and redemptive themes.
- **Confession:** Read and confess ways you don't reflect God's character and kingdom in the verse.
- **Thanksgiving:** Read and give thanks for God's grace, forgiveness, and help in or around the verse.
- **Supplication:** Read and seek God's guidance in applying the text. Write down application.

12/22 Psalm 146

12/23 Luke 2:1-7

12/24 Luke 2:8-21

12/25 Luke 2:22-38