



Message Outline

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Psalm 20

TRUST

Series: 8 Words that Liberate

What does it mean to say we have faith in God? It is often misunderstood. But it seems to me it is best captured in our final liberating word, TRUST. I have learned to whisper it under my breath. And remind myself of it in my prayers. TRUST, TRUST, simply TRUST.

🗒 THE COMMON DEFINITION OF FAITH:

Psalm 20:1-5

Believing you'll get everything you pray for

🗒 THE BIBLICAL DEFINITION OF FAITH:

Psalm 20:1-9

Trusting that Jesus is going to win this battle

🗒 FOUR WAYS TO GROW IN TRUST FROM THIS PASSAGE:

1. Look for Jesus' victories around you *Psalm 20:5,6,9*
2. Don't settle for trust substitutes *Psalm 20:7a*
3. Partner with others in trusting God *Psalm 20:7b*
4. Celebrate that Jesus intercedes for you *Hebrews 7:25*



HomeGroup Questions

Fall Session 2019

8 Words that Liberate

Psalm 90

1. Do you, or your relatives, have a favorite wish or blessing that they say at a wedding, a toast, or the beginning of a new opportunity? What is its origin?
2. Read Psalm 20 out loud in your group. Then review the points of the outline. What was a helpful part of the message for you? What did you resonate with? What did you wrestle with?
3. Doug said that this psalm is more than simply a polite blessing (May the Lord grant all your requests, vs. 5), or even a patriotic declaration (God save the king, vs. 9). What evidence do we find within this psalm that reflects an attitude of trust?
4. Realizing that Psalm 20 is a song that the Israelite people and army would pray for their king before battle, picture the scene. From vs. 1-5, what can you discern about the situation(s) they faced?
5. Now that we know that "YOU" refers to the king, and "WE" refers to God's people, go back and look every occurrence of the words, we, our, I or us in the passage. With that in mind, what are WE as God's people supposed to do?
6. What are some ways believers can fall into the common (and false) view of faith covered in the first point of the outline? What might be an example?
7. What are some ways believers can embrace the biblical view of faith covered in the second point of the outline? Give an example.
8. Look at vs. 7. Back then, chariots and horses were the powerful weapons and technology of the day. How would you apply trusting the Lord over weapons and technology today?
9. Which of the FOUR WAYS TO GROW IN TRUST would you like to your group to pray would happen for you this week? Any specifics?

Take time to share prayer requests and pray together.