

# "The Four P's of God"

Psalm 63 Questionnaire

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## The First "P" Of God:

1. Because God is his God, David p\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ God throughout his life!

<sup>1</sup> "O God, thou art my God; **early will I seek Thee**: my soul **thirsteth** for Thee, my flesh **longeth for Thee** in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is."

<sup>8</sup> "My soul **followeth hard after Thee**: Thy right hand upholdeth me."

2. What motivated David? Answer: \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>2</sup> "To see Thy power and Thy glory, so as **I have seen Thee** in the sanctuary."

"By faith he (Moses) forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as **seeing Him who is invisible**." (Hebrews 11: 27)

3. What does the worldly do to those who seek, thirst after and long for God? Answer: D\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ them!

<sup>9</sup> "But those that seek my soul, **to destroy it...**"

4. What does God do to them in the end?

Answer: D\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ them — to the praise of His glorious wrath!

<sup>9</sup> "But those that seek my soul...**shall go** into the lower parts of the earth (the nether world of the dead). <sup>10</sup> They shall fall by the sword: they shall be a portion for foxes."

## **The Second "P" Of God:**

5. David will p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ God as long as he lives!

<sup>3</sup> "Because Thy lovingkindness is better than life, **my lips** shall praise Thee.

<sup>4</sup> "Thus will I bless Thee while I live: I will lift up **my hands** in Thy name.

<sup>5</sup> "**My soul** shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness; and **my mouth** shall praise Thee with joyful lips."

6. With what members of his being does David expresses his satisfaction in God?

Answer: His l\_\_\_\_, his h\_\_\_\_, his s\_\_\_\_ (being, life), and his m\_\_\_\_\_.

"Let **everything** that hath breath praise the Lord." (Psalm 150: 6)

7. Why does David do this — as the greatest reason in the entire universe?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>3</sup> "Because **Thy lovingkindness** is better than life, my lips shall praise Thee."

**Note:** Lovingkindness: Hebrew "chesed" or covenant steadfast and saving love in Christ!

**Reflection:** Is this your reason and purpose for living?

## **The Third "P" Of God:**

8. David p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ God at the end of the day!

<sup>6</sup>“When **I remember Thee** upon my bed, and **meditate on Thee** in the night watches.”

**Background:** Elder King David was running for his life from his renegade son Absalom. For David the night may represent the threat of darkness or the end of his life. Though unable to sleep— for he needed to be vigil at night— he would make the effort and thus find **comfort** in His God.

9. Like David, when we are between a “rock and a hard place” in life, where can we always find help to go on?

Answer is in the verse below: \_\_\_\_\_.

1 SAM. 30. <sup>6</sup> And David was greatly distressed; for the people spake of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was grieved, every man for his sons and for his daughters: but David **encouraged himself in the LORD his God.**

**New Testament Support:** Philippians 4: <sup>6</sup> Be careful (full of care) for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. <sup>7</sup> And *the peace of God*, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

### **The 4th “P” Of God:**

10. David took pl \_\_ \_ s \_\_ \_ e in God!

<sup>7</sup> Because Thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of Thy wings will **I rejoice.**

**Old Testament Support:** “Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked. Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.” (Psalm 91:8-10 cf. Exodus 12 re. *the angel of death!*)

**Note:** It is a picture of divine preservation by a loving Heavenly Father of His children! We make always take cover from danger— **especially the from the wrath** of a perfectly holy God!

**New Testament Support:** “Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.” (Hebrews 9:12)

**Note:** Like the cherubim wings over the Ark of the Covenant in the Sanctuary of God’s dwelling— which is a picture of Calvary— all believers have **eternal redemption** in Jesus Christ our Lord!

11. Lastly, what is the effect of our rejoicing on others? Answer: Believers shall g\_ \_ \_ \_ in the LORD and unbelievers will be sh \_ \_ u\_!

<sup>11</sup> But the king (David) shall rejoice in God; every one that sweareth by Him (by His gracious covenant Presence and promises!) **shall glory**: but the mouth of them that speak lies **shall be stopped**.

“But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption: That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him **glory in the Lord**.”(1Corinthians 1. 30-31)

## **Lastly...**

1. Is God the One you **pursue**, “follow hard after”, to be more and more in your life?
2. Is God truly the **praise** of your life?
3. Do you “**ponder** God” by meditating on Him in His Word even in distressing times that can take away your soul?
4. Do you take **pleasure** in God— in being loved by your Heavenly Father because you belong to a faithful Savior Jesus Christ?