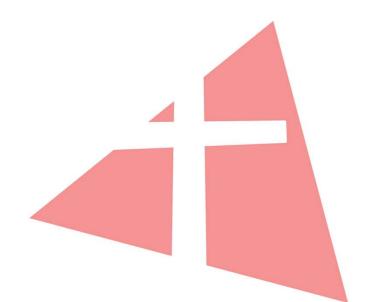
# **Encountering God: Soaking**

March 06<sup>th</sup> 2022

#### **Starting a new series**

#### • Encountering God

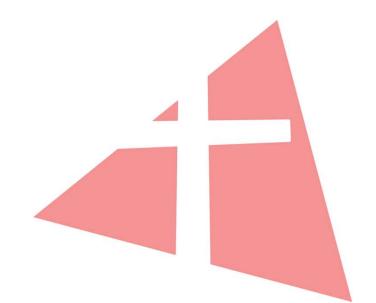
• The Father's Heart



# **Today's Focus**

#### • Soaking

• Being still in God's presence



#### **David's Heart**

Psalm 27:4 One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple.

#### Psalm 84

Psalm 84:1-11 How lovely are your tabernacles, O LORD of hosts! My soul longs, yea, even faints for the courts of the LORD: my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God. Yea, the sparrow has found a house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, even your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King, and my God. Blessed are they that dwell in your house: they will be still praising you. Selah. Blessed is the man whose strength is in you; in whose heart are the ways to them. Who passing through the valley of Baca makes it a well; the rain also fills the pools. They go from strength to strength, every one of them in Zion appears before God. O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer: give ear, O God of Jacob. Selah. Behold, O God our shield, and look upon the face of your anointed. For a day in your courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness. For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

## **Being in God's Presence**

Psalm 84:1-2 How lovely are your tabernacles, O LORD of hosts! My soul longs, yea, even faints for the courts of the LORD: my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.

#### **Better is One Day with God**

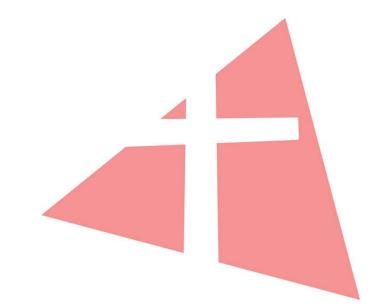
Psalm 84:10 For a day in your courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

### God won't withhold good

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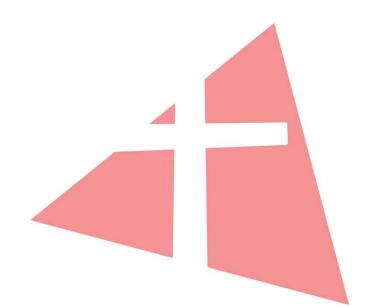
• Soaking is a practice to "just be with God"



#### How can we soak in God's presence?

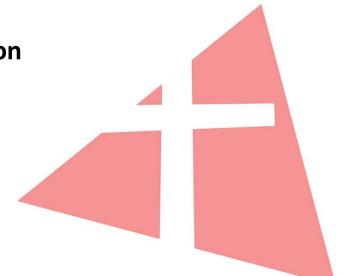
• Remove all distractions

• Be comfortable



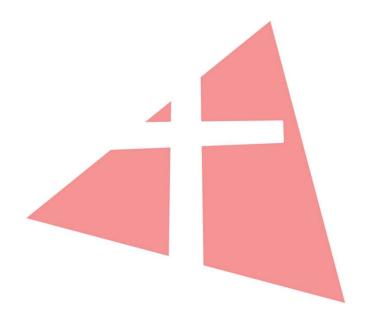


• If it helps you stay focused: Pick a short passage to meditate on



## Try to stay focused

- Resist the temptation to focus on things of this world
- Music can help too



## Soaking as a group

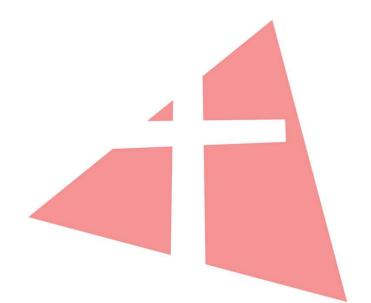
**o** Soaking individually and Soaking corporately

Isaiah 42:4 He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till he has established justice in the earth:

# **Next Sunday**

• No long message

• Soaking on Psalm 84:1-11



#### **This Series**

• We'll receive teachings about "God our Father"

• We'll soak and meditate on these Biblical passages

