

**4 Questions for the passage (self-study):**

*What is God teaching us about Himself?*

*What is God teaching us about our self?*

*What is God teaching us about others?*

*So what?*

# Why do we need the Bible – To Understand Life

## Explore the Bible and it will Change Your Life!

Gen. – Deut. – It will lead you home; Josh-Esth. – Discover God’s Plan

“Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD.” Psalms 150:6

June 11, 2023 – Pastor Matt

June 4 – Bad Things Happen

### **June 11 – Reflections of the Heart**

June 18 – Difference between Knowledge & Wisdom

#### **Focus Text: Psalms 1**

Introduction:

- Are Christians called to **FAITH** or **FEELING?**
- In the Psalms one **REFLECTS** the other
- Psalms is the Hebrew **HYMNAL**
- It is so loved because it captures our **FEELINGS** as well as **LIFE** experiences.

Personal Insights: \_\_\_\_\_  
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#### **Our heart reflects worship to God through COMPARING SIMILAR experiences.**

- If the second thought supports the first, it is **SYNONYMOUS** parallelism.
- This is like **DOUBLE TAPPING**

Personal Insights: \_\_\_\_\_  
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#### **Our heart reflects worship to God through CONTRASTING OPPOSITE experiences.**

- If the second thought contrasts the first, it is **ANTITHETICAL** parallelism.
- Life experiences can show us what we **DON’T** want through seeing what we **DO** want.

Personal Insights: \_\_\_\_\_  
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#### **Our heart reflects worship to God through BUILDING UPON experiences.**

- If the second and third add to the first, it is **STAIRLIKE** parallelism.
- This reflects an increase in our **CONFIDENCE** and **RESOLVE**.

Personal Insights: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Balance is the key to the Christian life! Are you balanced? Do you enjoy God or just check a box?**

**SO What – NOW What** \_\_\_\_\_

Tasks to be done later – write them down, leave them, and get back to the message! \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer Concerns:

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Notes for Personal Study:

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# SERMON NOTES

The Church that Jesus commissioned is a Church that must be a Disciple-Making Church! The Bible shows a disciple is one who has encountered Christ, been changed by Christ, and is following Christ with other believers. I see the Sunday message as part of the disciple-making process, so I intentionally use sermon notes. Please note:

1. The blanks that are provided are intended to provide a framework for God's message to you.
2. The personal insight blanks are intended for you to reflect on what God is saying to you.
3. The sermon notes and your notes are intended for us to move through an intentional, discipleship process.

I pray today's message strengthens you in your walk with Jesus and the overflow impacts others!

Pastor Matt