



Israel's Greatest Hits

A Map for Mountain Climbers

Psalm 15

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A PSALM OF DAVID.

1 O LORD, who shall sojourn in your tent? Who shall dwell on your holy hill?

2 He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart; 3 who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend;

4 in whose eyes a vile person is despised, but who honors those who fear the LORD; who swears to his own hurt and does not change; 5 who does not put out his money at interest and does not take a bribe against the innocent. He who does these things shall never be moved. (ESV)

1. Desire _____ (vv.1, 5b)

2. Love _____ (vv.2-5a)

vv.2b-3) ❖

v.4a) ❖

v.4b) ❖

v.5a) ❖

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **1 Peter 2:1-3, Hebrews 5:12-14** and **2 Thessalonians 1:3-4**. What would you say to someone who tells you that because he is already a Christian, he can't improve, advance, or better his relationship with God?
2. Read **1 Peter 1:14-17**. Why is Christian conduct such a concern of God's, especially considering the "Father / son" analogy highlighted in this passage?
3. Read **James 3:13-18**. In your experience, how often is the sin addressed in James 3:1-12 fueled by the "jealousy" and "selfishness" that James 3:13-18 zeroes in on? Why might remembering this connection be important?
4. Read **Esther 3:1-2**. What are some of the personal costs associated with not "bowing down" to our culture's blatantly "vile" heroes?
5. What are some of the common promises people make but choose to break when the promises become difficult to keep?
6. Read **1 Timothy 6:7-10**. Describe some of the ways "the love of money" can tempt you to forfeit your integrity?

The CBC Bible Reading Schedule for this Week:

Go to ESV.org (Reading Plans: Though the Bible) for schedule prompts.

April 29th

2Sam.21-22 & Lk.22:1-30

April 30th

2Sam.23-24 & Lk.22:31-53

May 1st

1Kgs.1-2 & Lk.22:54-71

May 2nd

1Kgs.3-5 & Lk.23:1-26

May 3rd

1Kgs.6-7 & Lk.23:27-38

May 4th

1Kgs.8-9 & Lk.23:39-56

May 5th

1Kgs.10-11 & Lk.24:1-35

May 6th

1Kgs.12-13 & Lk.24:36-53

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CD # 1035 – **Managing Your Emotions & Taming Your Tongue**

CD # 0805 – **Finding Peace in the Storm of Materialism**

CD # 0521 – **Rethinking Marriage as a Sacred Covenant**

CD # 1122–1124 – **Pursuing Holiness** (a three-part series)

CD # 0932–0936 – **Set Free to Live Right** (a five-part series)

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

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