

Knee Deep

The Good News is Holiness | Week 20

Reflection Questions

There is a deep yearning for intimacy with God throughout the Psalms. Many express how we can experience that along with what gets in the way. This leads to reflections on God's holiness and the problem of our unholiness.

1. Both the Psalms and Jesus indicate that intimacy with God comes through obedience. What's your reaction to that?
2. Where do you plot yourself on the Holiness Scale? Where do you think God plots you?
3. What areas of your life most blatantly fall short? To what degree do you think it's possible to live a holy life?
4. Which do you struggle with more: Not knowing God's standard of holiness, or not wanting it when you do know? Do you identify more with the little boy or the boy named Sue?
5. Unholy people who turn to Jesus are made right before God and called "holy" by him because of what he did for us. But that does not always seem like reality. How can you adopt God's viewpoint and step into his reality?

Memorize Psalm 1:1-5

Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers. ² But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night. ³ He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers. ⁴ Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away. ⁵ **Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.**

Week 20 Reading Plan

Mon: Romans 3

Tues: Ps 77

Wed: Ps 78

Thur: Ps 79

Fri: Ps 80

Extra read or memorization: Ps 119 he

Action Step

Each weekday, carve a prayer time with God. Use a Psalm from Sunday or the reading plan to guide you.