

Psalm 91: 1-16

God's Promises in times of danger



Think about and discuss one or two questions from each section.

The text – Psalm 91:1-16

1. Read Psalm 91:1-16. Discuss the names used for God in 91:1-2. What do they highlight about God's character?
2. Psalm 91:3-7 gathers many images to describe the way God protects his people. A second group of images is found in 91:9-13. Which one or two of these images do you find most striking?
3. What are these afflictions that the psalmist is describing? Read and discuss Psalm 91:8.
4. The Psalm ends with God speaking in 91:14-16. What does God promise his people in these verses?

The Scriptures – Psalm 91:1-16 as a portion of the Scriptures

5. There are many important connections between Psalm 91 and the group of psalms that precede it. Read Psalm 88:1-5 and Psalm 89:46-52. Why is the psalmist suffering in these psalms? How do you understand these statements in the light of the promises made in Psalm 91?
6. What does Jesus teach about the sufferings of disciples in Luke 6:22-23?
7. Paul surveys the suffering of 1st century believers in Romans 8:35-39. Note that Paul writes "*in* all these things we are more than conquerors" rather than "*from*" all these things we are more than conquerors. Why do God's people suffer?

Our lives – walking the way of Jesus in response to Psalm 91:1-16 as a portion of the Scriptures

8. Have there been times of affliction or suffering in your life that you would like to share with the group? What did you learn about God during those times of suffering?
9. What struggles do you have at present in these difficult times? Share and pray together.