

## SPIRITUAL HUNGER

- Ps 63:1 O God, You are my God; Early will I seek You; My soul thirsts for You; My flesh longs for You In a dry and thirsty land Where there is no water.  
2 So I have looked for You in the sanctuary, To see Your power and Your glory.  
3 Because Your lovingkindness is better than life, My lips shall praise You.  
4 Thus I will bless You while I live; I will lift up my hands in Your name.

### I. The Psalmist declares unto The Lord: “**You are my God**”

#### A. Then he pleads his evidence that proves that The Lord is his God:

1. and he does this by going beyond verbal evidence
  - a. and reveals this evidence with passion, hunger and thirst he has for more of God in his life

#### B. vs 1 “Early will I seek You”

##### 1. “**Early**”: **PRIORITIES**

- a. First thing in the morning look what is on David’s mind: Seeking God
2. What is on our mind when we first awake?
  - a. is it the business of the day plans we have set
3. If we want to see the Our Lord Jesus Christ bless our day we need to apply the Truth found in:
  - a. Matt 6:33 But **seek first** the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. 34 Therefore
    - (1) we need to put Him first,
    - (2) a little time in the Word of God, so faith can come into our heart for the day
    - (3) a little time in prayer so the Spirit of God can direct our paths, and give us grace for the day
  - b. It may come as a surprise to you to discover that: not every believer’s life experience God best .... But the bible reveals those whom God does bless:
    - (1) Heb 11:6 and that He is a **rewarder** of those who diligently seek Him.
      - (a) God rewards / blesses the life of those whose **diligently seek Him**
  - c. so many of us put the cares of the world first
    - (1) and by the time the end of the day comes around
      - (a) we are either to tired to seek God
      - (b) or have gotten so busy we do not seek Him at all

#### C. “**SEEK**” **Def** / implies diligence & earnestness

1. It is not speaking of a half hearted effort in seeking God
  - a. It is not talking about having a casual relationship with The Lord
  - b. It is not speaking of putting the cares of the world first

- c. It is not talking about praying once in a while
  - d. it is not talking about reading your bible once in a while
  - e. it is not talking about showing up in the House of God from time to time
2. To earnestly seek God ... to diligently seek God:
- a. is not speaking of convenience
  - b. To earnestly seek God implies paying a price and putting forth a great effort
3. In reality, each of us are to diligently & earnestly seek: **the real issue** is:
- a. what is it we are diligent about .... What is it we are earnestly seeking
    - (1) Phil 2:21 For all seek their own, not the things which are of Christ Jesus.
      - (a) does this passage describe what we seek?
    - (2) Next we find **instructions** informing us of what the Born Again believer is to Seek .... What those seek who are “led by the Spirit”:
      - (a) Col 3:1 If then you were raised with Christ,
        - (1) How many have been Born Again ... “raised with Christ”
        - (a) raised from sin & an eternity without God ... unto eternal life
      - (b) if so we are to: “seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God.
        - 2 Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth”

## II. Ps 63:1 **My soul thirsts for You;**

### A. Note: “SOUL”

- 1. not speaking of our spirit man .... Rather the soul:
  - a. **Def Soul:** nephesh: the mind .... As well as our emotions & intellect
- 2. Once we are Born Again whether we become a **spiritual Christian:** seeking the things of God ... seeking things above & not the things of this world
  - a. or if we remain a Carnal Christian, seeking the things of the world & our flesh as Paul describes in 1 Cor 3:1
  - b. is determined by not only our:
    - (1) spirit man eng Born Again / saved
    - (2) but our soul / our soulish realm: mind, will, intellect & emotions ... also needs To be saved:
      - (a) Heb 10:39 But we are not of those who draw back to perdition, but of those who believe to the **saving of the soul.**
        - (1) this verse is not speaking of our spirit man being saved / Born Again
        - (2) it is speaking of our soul /
          - (a) **mind** .... Renewed with the Word of God Rom 12:2
          - (b) **will:** surrendered to the Lordship of Jesus ... not my will.. Then be done Gal 3:3

© **intellect**: yielded to the wisdom of God / Word of God ... instead of the  
Wisdom of the World

(1) 1 Cor 2:13 These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom  
teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches,

(d) **emotions**: subject to the Holy Spirit ... bearing Fruit of the Spirit  
Gal 5:22-23

B. But when our Soul has become "**Saved**" .... Surrendered to Jesus we do not "draw  
Back" as sated in Heb 10:39

1. rather we press in and become: Ps 63:1 "My soul **thirsts** for you"

a. What are you thirsty for today?

b. Do you thirst for the Living Waters of the Holy Ghost

© Do you thirst for the New Wine of the Holy Ghost

2. When the Holy Spirit was first poured out, the world thought the believers  
Were drunk on wine ..... but Peter said:

a. Acts 2:13 "They are **full of new wine**."

Acts 2:15 For these are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour  
of the day.

16 But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

17 'And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God,

That I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh;

3. Do you know that you can get drunk on a number of things ... based upon  
What you attempt to quench your thirst with:

a. **Drunk on alcohol:**

(1) Eph 5:18 "And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be  
filled with the Spirit,

(1) believers are not to be drunk on alcohol or drugs

(2) But are to be Filled with the Holy Spirit .... Full of new wine

b. **Drunk on the cares of the world:**

(1) God's Word translation states: Luke 21:34 "Make sure that you don't become  
drunk, hung over, and worried about life. Then that day could suddenly catch  
you by surprise

35 like a trap that catches a bird. That day will surprise all people who live  
on the earth.

(a) if not careful you can become drunk thru worry & the cares of this world

C. **Jesus** is the only one who can quench & satisfy our thirsty soul

1. John 7:37 “If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink.

38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

2. Jesus is found ministering to a woman at a well, who tired quench her thirst thru who lusts, and one failed relationship after another .... And says this to her:

a. John 4:13 Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again:

(1) What Jesus is saying is: ....not only will this natural water not satisfy your Thirst

(a) but anything the world has to offer cannot satisfy man’s thirsty soul

b. Then Jesus goes on and speaks to her & us today:

(1) John 4:14 But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

15 The woman saith unto him, Sir, give me this water, that I thirst not, neither come hither to draw.

c. Will you make that choice and come and draw living waters from the well of salvation that Jesus offers to you today?

(1) Are you thirsty for the anointing

(2) thirsty for the presence of God

(3) are you thirsty for revival

### III. **“My flesh LONGS for you”**

A. **Longs: Def** to pine for

1. one translations says ...my soul **yearns** for You

a. another translation says: ... my soul languisheth for You

B. “My soul **longs** for You”

1. “**LONGS**”: also means to delight in

a. Our soul longing for delighting in the Lord ....

b. Is a key to answered prayer....

A key for our dreams & destiny coming to pass:

(1) Ps 37:4 Delight yourself also in the Lord, And He shall give you the desires of your heart.

(a) Is our longing more for the things the world or / the things of God

2. Listen to the spiritual thirst of the Psalmist in:

a. Ps 42:1 As the deer pants for the water brooks, So pants my soul for You, O God.

2 My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

- (1) When you pastor a people with this degree of passion
  - (a) You do not have to convince them to come to Church
  - (b) You do not have to tell them you need to pray & read your bible Dailey
  - © You do not need to convince them that they need to be baptized in the Holy Ghost
  - (d) You do not have to convince them to stir up the gifts of the Spirit in Their life and serve in ministry
- (2) Rather they are on a mission:
  - (a) a mission to drink of the Living waters of the Holy Spirit
  - (b) a mission to find God on a deeper level
  - © a mission to be used for the glory of God

IV. Ps 63: 2 So I have looked for You in the **sanctuary**,  
To see Your **power** and Your **glory**.

A. Believers for have the type of spiritual hunger described in Ps 42 are **LOOKING**  
For more of God in their life:

1. do you see their pursuit in this verse?

a. **"I have LOOKED"**

(1) they are putting forth the effort to look for more of God n their life

B. And note where they look: **"in the sanctuary"**

1. When believers have this type of passion for God, they look for Him in the Sanctuary by:

a. **Entering into His presence during praise & worship**

b. The **heed the Word of God** that is being preached & taught, listening for the Spirit of God to speak to their heart

(1) because they want faith to come into their heart: Rom 10:17

(2) they want their minds renewed: Rom 12:2

(3) and they understand that the truth of God's Word will set them free: Jn 8:32

c. They come to **the prayers meetings** at church

(1) and seek His face

(2) pray intercede for the services for a mighty move of God

C. Believers you have a spiritual hunger & thirst not only know Whom they are Looking for .... But they also know What they are looking for:

1. "To see Your **POWER** and You **GLORY**"

a. Believers who Seek God / Long for God / & are thirsty for God

(1) want to see the **Power** of God manifest

(a) they hunger for the miraculous to take place

(b) they desire a greater anointing rest upon their life, that God may use them in a mighty way

b. They want to see the **Glor**y of The Lord manifest

- (1) They want to see the glory of God fall in the midst of praise & worship
- (2) they want to see the glory of God fall at the altar upon the lives of people
- (3) and they are constantly crying out like Moses did in:

(1) Ex 33:19 "Please, show me Your glory."

(a) and God answered Moses prayer:

(1) 19 Then He said, "I will make all My goodness pass before you, and I will proclaim the name of the Lord before you.

V. It is time to quit playing church ..... Time to quit playing Christian games in Our walk with God

A. It is time that we examine our own heart, and ask our self this question:

1. Can I / can you say: **"YOU ARE MY GOD"**

a. Because you have been Born Again

(1) Repented of your sins and accepted Jesus Christ as both Lord & Savior

2. Can I / can you say: **"You are my God"**

a. Because I am not seeking what the world has to offer

(1) I am not trying to satisfy my thirsty souls drinking of what the world offers

(2) I am not longing for all the world offers me

3. Rather I can say: **"You are my God"**

a. Because I am Born Again and living Holy

b. I am Seeking God & seeking the Kingdom of God first in my life

c. I am thirsty for more of the new wine of the Holy Ghost

d. I am longing for you Jesus

(1) I want more of you, your presence, your spirit, your anointing in my life

(2) I am longing to see that day when you crack that sky & return

4. And: I am looking for You .... My Father God in the sanctuary

a. Because I can still say in my heart what the Psalmist said in:

(1) Ps 122:1 "I was glad when they said to me,

Let us go into the house of the Lord."

b. Because I am not like those who

(1) forsake the assembling of ourselves together

(2) because I have not lost my first love

(3) because I am not cold & lukewarm

(4) because I am not back slid in my relationship with you

(1) **"OH GOD, YOU ARE MY GOD"**