



Holy Terror

Psalm 90 | Session 10.41

Before the Session

Facilitator: In advance of the session

- Have the Bible Background Video ready to view.
- Review today's scripture text and the session activities to help better facilitate the discussion.
- Encourage your group to listen to the Faithelement podcast ahead of the next session (Share the link via email or social media).

Context (From the Current Session Page)

Share this article about The Pope and ask:

- Given that this Pope seems to be such a controversial individual, speaking in such troubled times, how do you interpret his remarks and why?
- What are some ways the Gospel has soothed your wounds or the wounds of someone you know?

- Remembering that the Pope said that "God speaks with the language of love, of care, of selfless service to those who are in need. And then hearts open up and miracles happen. In deserts, new life blooms.", where have you seen this either in your life, in the lives of others, or even in the world?
- What do you think the scriptures say about our place in the larger universe and why?

Content (From the Mind Session Page)

Read Psalm 90, and watch the Bible Background Video before asking:

- What images or facts does the Psalmist use to show that God is eternal and all-powerful?
- In contrast, what images or facts does the Psalmist use to show that we human beings are limited and short-lived?
- Why do you think the Psalmist pairs God's vastness with God's anger against sin?
- If you consider this Psalm as three parts – verses 1-11, verse 12 as a pivot point, and verses 13-17, how would you characterize the tones of the two large sections?
- How might constant awareness of these realities consume us with fear or help us to live wisely?
- In verses 13-17, what does the Psalmist seem to be asking for?
- In what ways does our perspective and recognition of God's love and greatness change the way we live our lives?

Closure (From the Media Session Page)

Play the Wedding planning video and continue by asking:

- What is it about planning a wedding that can make people get so crazy?
- What would our lives be like if we could number our days with God's everlasting view in mind?
- How can we get as serious about our lives as the average soon-to-be bride about her wedding?
- In what ways might our worlds change if we or others lived as if they were fully aware of the passage of time and of God's greatness against the scale of the universe?
- How might our awareness of such things help us to better serve others?

Close in prayer.