Longing for God's House (Psalm 84)

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Introduction TO THE CHOIRMASTER: ACCORDING TO THE GITTITH. A PSALM OF THE SONS OF KORAH. - Psalm 95:6; Hebrews 10:24-25; Acts 2:42 1. The for God's House (v. 1-4) ¹How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts! ²My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God. - Psalm 42:1-2; Psalm 63:1-2 ³Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God. ⁴Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise! Selah 2. The to God's House (v. 5-7) ⁵Blessed are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion. ⁶As they go through the Valley of Baca they make it a - Hebrews 12:1-2 place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools. ⁷They go from strength to strength; each one appears before God in Zion. 3. The in God's House (v. 8-9) ⁸O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob! Selah ⁹Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your - 1 Timothy 2:1-3 anointed! 4. The of God's House (v. 10-12) ¹⁰For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of - Psalm 27:4 my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness. ¹¹For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor. No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly. ¹²O LORD of hosts, blessed is the one who trusts in you!

Take home questions . . .

- 1. What motivates you to get out of bed on a Sunday morning to gather with the saints?
- 2. What things hinder you (or others) from worshipping on a Sunday morning?
- 3. What lessons can you learn from the Psalmist's attitude to worship with the saints?
- 4. What should we expect to do when we gather together to worship?
- 5. What fuels your desire to worship?
- 6. Why is gathering together as God's people so important?