Finding Yourself in the Psalms Psalm 63 A Prayer for the Soul Yearning for God

Third of three Psalms (61, 62, 63) "Wilderness fleeing from Absolom" (62:3-4; 63:9,11)

- I. The Longing for a Satisfied Soul (1-4)
 - A. Wilderness dessert dry.
 - B. David was prohibited from worshiping God in the Temple
 - C. This was a time of SOLITUDE.
 - 1. Forced solitude
 - 2. Times of willing solitude.
 - a. Algonquin Solo day.
 - b. Pastor Lou Last Monday GO AWAY!
 - 3. "We must show a new generation of nervous, almost frantic Christians that power lies at the center of the life" AW Tozer
 - 4. "Unfortunately the world today does not seem to understand, in either man or woman, the need to be alone. Anything else will be accepted as a better excuse. If one sets time aside for a shopping expedition, that time is accepted as inviolable, but if one says, "I cannot come because it is my hour to be alone," one is considered rude, egotistical or strange."

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- D. Earnestly seeking God
 - 1. Do we seek Him early?
 - 2. Illus Waking up the day of an important job interview Waking up the day you are to leave for vacation
- II. The Promise of a Faithful God (5-7)
 - A. "My soul will be satisfied"
 - 1. David knew that God could satisfy his soul more than the choicest foods could satisfy his body.
 - 2. David remembered the times God delivered him
 - B. Meditation when he could not sleep
 - C. "Shadow of your wings" Remember Psalm 57?
- III. The Satisfaction Found in God alone (8-11)
 - A. My soul clings to you
 - B. David knows God would deliver him
 - C. Confidence in God's abilities AND His purposes