

Grace Groups Questions

Sunday, June 7, 2020



Sanctuary Service

The Gathering

"God's Nearness," eighth in the series *A Healthy Spirituality for Our Time* | Psalm 139:7-12 |

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1. When has God felt distant for you? When have you especially felt God's nearness?
2. What do you think of the idea that the Psalmist has mixed feelings about the presence of God?
3. What are some other passages of scripture that speak to you of God's presence or nearness?

Psalm 139:7-12 (Common English Bible)

⁷Where could I go to get away from your spirit?

Where could I go to escape your presence?

⁸If I went up to heaven, you would be there.

If I went down to the grave, you would be there too!

⁹If I could fly on the wings of dawn,

stopping to rest only on the far side of the ocean—

¹⁰even there your hand would guide me;

even there your strong hand would hold me tight!

¹¹If I said, "The darkness will definitely hide me;

the light will become night around me,"

¹²even then the darkness isn't too dark for you!

Nighttime would shine bright as day,

because darkness is the same as light to you!