

# A Study of Psalm 27



## Seeking the Face of God

**vs 1-3.** These verses depict a confident warrior facing battle. Don't you want that kind of courage and confidence? How can you have it? Read on...

**vs 4.** What is the "one thing" David asks for, and why is it significant? What does this request tell you about David's heart? What do you think this desire in David's heart meant to God? Do you think God will respond to you in the same way?

**vs 5 – 6.** How does this sense of confidence and victory relate to the previous verse?

**vs 7.** "Hear my voice when I call, O LORD." For the sake of our discussion, we will assume David was praying aloud to God in this prayer. We know that Jesus prayed aloud (Hebrews 5: 7). How do you think this habit helped David and Jesus? Do you pray aloud to God in your personal prayers? How could this help us draw closer to God as we seek his face in prayer?

**vs 8.** What was David's heart telling him? How did this make David the "man after God's own heart"? If you adopt this same attitude of heart, how do you think it will make your Father feel toward you? Is your heart telling you to seek the Father's face? Are you listening?

**vs 9.** David pleads with God to not turn his face away from him. He wants God to look at him. Why would he ask that? Have you ever felt that God does not want to look at you? Do you want him to?

**vs 10.** Some of us were rejected by our own parents or did not feel close to them. How can that affect our relationship with God? David says that even if his parents were to reject him, God would receive him. What does that tell you about God?

**vs 11.** David asks God, "Teach me your way.... lead me on a straight path." He wants to do the right thing, but he needs help to see the right path. Notice that he seeks to do right after he seeks to be in a right relationship of closeness to his God. Why is this important?

**vs 12.** Our enemy is Satan and the powers of darkness (Ephesians 6: 12). How has Satan been trying to accuse you and rob you of your closeness to God and your sense of his love?

**vs 13 – 14.** After all he has been through, David remains confident. How does this relate to his walk with God? How does "be strong and take heart" relate to our closeness to God? While we are waiting on God to act, can still be confident and close to him?

## Warrior Reflection

*What do I need to do to imitate David as I seek the face of God?*