

Purpose in uncertainty

1. Uncertainty calls for a God-soaked response

2. We can go deeper than an initial response

3. Ending with a song of eternal wonder

1. Review

On Sunday we learned how we can move rapidly from a place of uncertainty and anxiety to one of unshakeable security in God's refuge and peace for us. But to get there involves a journey of reflection leading to an utter celebration in the eternal joy of Jesus victory in our life.

2. Read

• Psalm 16

2.1 Uncertainty calls for a God-soaked response

- The use of miktam in the title tells us he was in trouble
- He requests for God to preserve him
- He declares that God will not abandon him to death

2.2 A fourfold response

- Initial response looking to God alone
- Acknowledging God as his safe refuge
- Acknowledging God as his sovereign Lord
- Acknowledging God as his supreme treasure

2.2 Ending with a song of eternal wonder

- Not just head knowledge but a heartfelt response
- Reveling in the ternal life he has without knowing why
- We have Jesus so we can be so we can be certain of how God gives eternal life

3. Reflect

- What do we reach for first when we are in trouble?
- How do we go from just saying God is enough for us to feeling a deep assurance and heart felt response?
- What can we learn from David's example of pressing in to get to the inner treasure of his life? What is our supreme treasure? And does this change because of circumstances?
- If this was like eating a four layered easter egg then Keith was pretty strong in emphasizing that we ware to get through the four layers of chocolate to the treasure in the center which is a joyful celebration of our eternal life. Discuss what this means?
- How does your joy in eternal life impact the way you live your life, talk to God and worship him?

4. Respond

As a group spend some time in prayer and reflection on what you have learned and come into the presence of God. Allow the Holy Spirit to use your gifts to encourage and bless each other.

5. Reach

Is your joy evident to all – in times of trial and normality – do the unsaved around you benefit from this in the way you treat them?