DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

Our Mission: Reaching Out to Leaders Who Can Change the World.

MESSIANIC PSALMS

Psalm 22

INTRODUCTION

Who did you turn to when you needed rescuing as a kid? Your big brother? Parents? Best friend? Others? Yourself?

OBSERVATION/INTERPRETATION

Note: David is under siege through no fault of his own. This psalm is a cry for help from a righteous sufferer (much like Christ on the cross).

Read Psalm 22:1-21

- 1. What is David's struggle with God? Vv 1-2
- 2. What were the people saying about David? Why was he concerned? Vv 7-8; 12-18
- 3. Does David seem more concerned about God's distance or from the scorn (mocking) of people?
- 4. How does David express his doubts (and faith) during this challenging time? Vv 3-5; 1; 9-11; 19-21
- 5. Do you think God is glad that David is honest about his thoughts or offended about David's lack of faith? Explain? What can we learn from this?
- 6. How do verses 9-21 relate to Christ and his crucifixion? Matt 26:46; Mark 15:34; 27: Matt 35; 39; 43; John 19:23-24; Matt 27:46
- 7. What difference does it make that Christ suffered human emotions and troubles while on earth?

Read Psalm 22: 22-31

- 8. How has David's tone changed? Why?
- 9. Who is invited to the banquet? Who is the host? Why?
- 10. Why will they bow down before Him? Vs 27; 29
- 11. What event in human history will have to take place for this assembly to occur?

APPLICATION

On a scale of one to ten, with one representing despair and ten representing absolute faith, where are you spiritually? How can you express your emotions to God with confidence?