The Pleasure Of God's

Presence

Psalms 16:1-11

If our lives are Centered on the <u>GIFT</u> rather than the <u>GIVER</u>, we <u>RISK Missing Out</u> on the <u>Greatest Gift</u> of all. (1 Timothy 6:17)

Our <u>Greatest</u> Enjoyment in Life should come from <u>Knowing God!</u> (Psalm 16:9-11)

In Psalm 16, <u>David</u> uses words like <u>Delight</u>, <u>Rejoice</u>, <u>Glad</u> & <u>Joy</u>.

WHERE did David FIND all this Pleasure, Gladness, Hope & Joy?

1. DAVID FOUND PLEASURE IN THE LORD'S PERSON (v.1-2)

- ALL Good Gifts come to us from the Lord's Hand. (James 1:17)
- If it's <u>GOOD</u>, it Came from <u>GOD</u>
- APART FROM GOD WE HAVE NO GOOD THING.
- When we Come to the END of life ALL that Matters is HIM.

2. DAVID FOUND PLEASURE IN THE LORD'S PEOPLE (v.3)

- Our LIVES should literally Revolve around People.
- WHY? Because People Meant MORE than anything To Christ. (Galatians 6:9-10)
- Jesus LIVED & DIED for People.
- People are God's most Valuable Creation & we should Value People as Jesus did...

3. DAVID FOUND PLEASURE IN THE LORD'S PORTION (vv.5-6)

- What is your <u>LOT</u> (Portion) in life? ... Are you <u>Happy</u> with it?
- Many People are simply NOT Satisfied with their LOT in life.
- Somehow, we must learn to <u>Take Pleasure</u> in the <u>Portion</u> God gives us. (Hebrews 13:5)
- Sometimes, He Gives us MORE...Sometimes LESS.

4. DAVID FOUND PLEASURE IN THE LORD'S PRINCIPLES (v.7)

- The Word of God Counsels us & gives us the Direction we need in life. (Ps. 119:105)
- The Living Word of God Penetrates Hearts & Changes People.
- THIS Book contains: Light to direct you. Food to sustain you. Comfort to cheer you.

5. DAVID FOUND PLEASURE IN THE LORD'S PROTECTION (v.8)

- We need Protection from a LION who Attacks US. (1 Peter 5:8)
- We need to **Be Thankful for the Protection** that God provides.

- Be <u>Thankful</u> that He <u>Made Sense</u> to our <u>otherwise <u>Senseless</u> <u>Life</u>.</u>
- <u>Life changes...Health changes...Relationships</u> change...But God <u>NEVER</u> changes.