

Worship with us in the Word

Songs Jesus Knew – Jesus' Mixtape #3

Psalm 13 - Honesty & Intimacy with God

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The Believer's Common Dilemma – *Do I ignore emotions or do I repress them?*

1. The Question – Arising from David's inward struggle vv. 1-2
2. The Appeal - Resulting from David's outward danger vv. 3-4
3. The Resolution –Coming from David's upward confidence vv. 5-6

Learning to Lament – Making It Personal

David's Example:

- Express how you really feel.
- Express what you really desire.
- Anchor yourself to what is really true.

Dark Clouds, Deep Mercy – Mark Vroegop, 2019, pp. 203-204

- Turn to God through prayer.
- Bring your complaint – Describe your specific pain in blunt language. *Why* or *how* is often part of this step.
- Ask boldly – Call upon God to act in a manner that fits His character
- Choose to trust God and express confidence – commit to this action going forward.

“Greater honesty with God is movement towards greater intimacy with God.”

– J. Josh Smith, Exalting Jesus in Psalms 1-50