

Lesson Aim: To discuss and apply the concept that confident prayer relies on the Truth of the Lord rather than on our perspective of our circumstances.



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Bridge LifeGroups are currently on summer break. We will continue to offer study questions each week in this more simplified format, which can be useful for personal devotions and/or discussion starters for LifeGroups that choose to meet for a portion of the summer months.

1. **Read Psalm 27:1-6.** If you could ask “one thing” of the Lord, and have it granted, what would it be? Have you asked Him? Why or why not?
2. What three qualities of God does David recall in verse 1? What do you think he means by each? How does each relate to David’s confidence (verses 2-3)? How can meditating on the qualities of God build confidence for our own prayer life?
3. How might verses 1-6 refer to David’s life experiences? How does David allow the truth of the Lord inform his circumstances? How can we apply this to our own lives?
4. **Read Psalm 27:7-14.** What is the relationship between “seeking” and “waiting” for God?
5. How has the Lord been like a “light” or “stronghold” in your life this past month? What situation(s) have driven you to Him to find shelter?



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6. In what ways is God calling you to be more confident in Who He is and what He’s done?

Close by praying through any needs that were mentioned tonight and however else the Lord leads you.



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Confident Reliance: Psalm 27 Prayer

The Bottom Line

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Angle #1

Confident prayer relies on the Truth of the Lord [vss. 1-6, *cf.* Rom. 8:31].

Angle #2

Confident prayer...

- ...relies on the Lord's mercy and grace [vs. 7, *cf.* Lk. 18:13].
- ...relies on who the Lord is, not only what he can do [vs. 8].
- ...relies on the Lord's acceptance [vss. 9-10].
- ...relies on the Lord's instruction [vs. 11].
- ...relies on the Lord's protection [vs. 12].

Angle #3

Confident prayer responds to the Truth of the Lord [vs. 13].

Angle #4

Confident prayer is patient and courageous [vs. 14].

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