

A Song for the Road

Psalm 84

Psalm 84 is one of the Psalms of _____. Faithful pilgrims would _____ these psalms en route to Jerusalem.

I. A song about the _____ --song of journey, of pilgrimage

A. Pilgrimage is a fit metaphor for life

B. Pilgrimage is an apt description of the life of faith

Moses: *"I have been a _____ in a foreign land"* [Exodus 2:22]

Abraham lived in _____ [Hebrew 11:9]

David: *"I am a sojourner, a _____, like all my fathers"* [Psalm 39:12b]

C. This is a song for the _____

The Valley of _____: a dry, barren, seemingly God-forsaken place

D. We are prone to _____

II. This is a song about _____

A. About the _____

"How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!" [1]

B. About heaven

C. About the road – the journey

"Blessed are those...in whose hearts are the _____ to Zion" [5]

Paul, in the middle of a very busy life, tells us to "set our _____ on things above"

"Home is where your heart is"

D. This song is about _____ to the King

1. The King reorients our wandering hearts

2. The King _____ our affections

III. The _____ of the road

A. Jesus walked this road for us

He walked into one "Baca Valley" after another. Every spot became a pool of _____.

Jesus entered " _____ " for us

B. Jesus walks with us on this road

He irrigates our hearts with his grace

"Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him." [John 7:39]

"Blessed are those whose _____ is in you" [5a]

IV. How do we reorient our hearts?

A. We _____ together

B. We _____ together

1. We _____ together

"My heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God" [2b]

2. Sing _____ together--"When we sing, we pray twice"

C. We _____ together

We go from strength to strength on our way to heaven.