

## Psalm 36 - Feast on God

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Psalm 36:1-12 ESV *To the choirmaster. Of David, the servant of the LORD.*

- 1 Transgression speaks to the wicked deep in his heart; there is no fear of God before his eyes.
- 2 For he flatters himself in his own eyes that his iniquity cannot be found out and hated.
- 3 The words of his mouth are trouble and deceit; he has ceased to act wisely and do good.
- 4 He plots trouble while on his bed; he sets himself in a way that is not good; he does not reject evil.
- 5 Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.
- 6 Your righteousness is like the mountains of God; your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O LORD.

- **In the evil done to you by man, there is great appreciation for the goodness of God.**

**7 How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.**

**8 They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

**9 For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.**

**10 Oh, continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your righteousness to the upright of heart!**

- **Your life will be what you feed upon.**

*Psalm 16:11 ESV*

*11 You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.*

### FEEDING UPON RELATIONSHIP, HIS FELLOWSHIP, HIS PRESENCE

- *Not only are we truly satisfied in God, but we lose our appetite for the world.*
- *To feed on the body and blood of Jesus is to feed upon what His body and blood provides: forgiveness, reconciliation, relationship with God.*

*John 4:13-14 ESV*

*13 Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again,*

*14 but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."*

*John 6:35 ESV*

*35 Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.*

*John 6:51 ESV*

*51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."*

John 6:54-58 ESV

54 Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.

55 For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink.

56 Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him.

57 As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me.

58 This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate, and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever."

## **FEEDING UPON SERVICE AND OBEDIENCE TO HIM**

- *Even the most menial task becomes an offering of love and worship when done as unto the Lord.*

John 4:31-34 ESV

31 *Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, saying, "Rabbi, eat."*

32 *But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about."*

33 *So the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought him something to eat?"*

34 *Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to accomplish his work."*

Colossians 3:22-24 ESV

22 Bondservants, obey in everything those who are your earthly masters, not by way of eye-service, as people-pleasers, but with sincerity of heart, fearing the Lord.

23 Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men,

24 knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ.

John 13:12-17 ESV

12 *When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you?"*

13 *You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am.*

14 *If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.*

15 *For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done to you.*

16 *Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him.*

17 *If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.*

## **FEEDING UPON HIS WORD**

- *God's Word not only commands us what to do, but it also supernaturally births in us the desire and the ability to do what He commands.*
- *The Word of God has all the life and power to change and conform us to Himself.*

Jeremiah 15:16 ESV

16 Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts.

James 1:18 ESV

18 Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

James 1:21-25 ESV

21 Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted (emphytos - inborn, engrafted) word, which is able to save (sozo - to rescue, make whole, heal, save) your souls.

James 1:21-25 ESV

22 But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.

23 For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror.

24 For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like.

25 But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.

Isaiah 55:10-11 ESV

10 For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,

11 so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.