



Psalm 3

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1.	Expect	(vv.1-2)	# # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # #	A PSALM OF DAVID, WHEN HE FLED FROM ABSALOM HIS SON. 1 O LORD, how many are my foes! Many are rising against me; 2 many are saying of my soul, "There is no salvation for him in God." Selah 3 But you, O LORD, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head. 4 I cried aloud to the LORD, and he answered me from his holy hill. Selah 5 I lay down and slept; woke again, for the LORD sustained me. 6 I will not be afraid of many thousands of people who have set
2.	Recall	(vv.3-5)	6 9 0 1 1 8	themselves against me all around. 7 Arise, O LORD! Save me, O my God! For you strike all my enemies on the cheek; you break the teeth of the wicked. 3 Salvation belongs to the LORD; your blessing be on your people! Selah (ESV)
3	Resolve	(vv 6-8)		

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others. For more information about small groups at Compass Bible Church that utilize these questions as the basis for their weekly discussion, please call the church office at (949) 540-0699 or email us at SmallGroups@CompassChurch.org.

- 1. Read **1 Peter 4:12-14** and **1 John 3:12-13**. What is the vulnerability for the Christian who is surprised that the Christian life doesn't exempt him from trouble, pain, or opposition? What is the danger of wrong expectations?
- 2. Read **2 Samuel 16:5-8**. Why do you think personal opposition is often more difficult to tolerate than physical or circumstantial challenges? How can Jesus identify with that pain and how does that help?

3. Read Psalm 37:25-29, 39-40. Why is a "big picture" perspective so important in the Christian life? How can you

keep that in view when you are tempted to doubt God's care or love for you?

4. Read **Isaiah 41:8-13**. Why is fear the wrong response to your painful circumstances? What is at stake for the Christian who lives fearful of his future?

This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

March 10th

Deut.11-13 & Mk.13:1-13

March 11th

Deut.14-16 & Mk.13:14-37

March 12th

Deut.17-19 & Mk.14:1-25

March 13th

Deut.20-22 & Mk.14:26-50

March 14th

Deut. 23-25 & Mk. 14:51-72

March 15th

Deut.26-27 & Mk.15:1-26

March 16th

Deut.28 & Mk.15:27-47

March 17th

Deut.29-30 & Mk.16

This Week's Compass 20/20 Discussion Question

• Read **Matthew 16:18** and **Isaiah 46:8-11**. Why is our investment in the building, strengthening, and expansion of the church such a good investment?

Streaming of both the audio and video of today's sermon is available on the Compass website (CompassChurch.org). The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

Msg. 16-16 - Encountering Unjust Criticism

Msg. 13-38 - When You're Ridiculed for Christ

Msg. 15-03 - When You've Been Rejected

Msg. 12-20 - When Nothing Seems Fair

Msg. 12-42 - A Controversial Baby: Simeon on the Polarizing Effects of Jesus Christ

Msg. 06-51 - A Day of Reckoning: Understanding God's Judgment

Msg. 11-08 – 11-11 – Enemies, Grace & Revenge (a 4-part series on handling opposition)

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Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

Carson, D. A. How Long O Lord? Reflections on Suffering & Evil. Baker Books, 1990.

Fabarez, Mike. Lifelines for Tough Times: God's Presence and Help When You Hurt. Harvest House, 2014.

Foxe, John. Foxe's Book of Martyrs. The John C. Winston Co., 1926.

Hutchinson, John. Thinking Right When Things Go Wrong: Biblical Wisdom for Surviving Tough Times. Kregel, 2005.

Lloyd-Jones, Martyn. A Life of Joy and Peace: An Exposition of Philippians. Baker Books, 1995.

MacArthur, John. Anxious for Nothing: God Cares for the Cares of Your Soul. Victor Books, 2006.

Mack, Wayne. "It's Not Fair!" Finding Hope When Times are Tough. P & R Publishing, 2008.

Piper, John and Justin Taylor. *Suffering and the Sovereignty of God.* Crossway Books, 2006.

Pritchard, Ray. An Anchor for the Soul: Help for the Present, Hope for the Future. Moody Press, 2000.

Sande, Ken. *The Peacemaker: A Biblical Guide to Resolving Personal Conflicts.* Baker Books, 1997. Smith, William P. *How to Love Difficult People: Receiving and Sharing God's Mercy.* NG Press, 2008.

Sproul, R. C. Surprised by Suffering: The Role of Pain and Death in the Christian Life. Reformation Trust, 2009.

Water, Mark, ed. The New Encyclopedia of Christian Martyrs. Baker Books, 2001.

Welch, Edward. Running Scared: Fear, Worry and the God of Rest. New Growth Press, 2007.