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PSALMS | AMEN Bible Study 2018-19  
David in the Wilderness: Thirsty (for God)  
*Psalm 63*  
March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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Scripture Introduction:

- I. The Worship of God cultivates our love for God (Psalm 63)  
Theology of Worship:
  - Creation: We were created to worship God (Isaiah 43:7, 21; 1 Cor. 10:31)
  - The Fall: We worship things other than God (Romans 1)
  - Redemption: We are saved to worship God (Exodus 8:1; John 4)
  - Consummation: We will worship God forever (Rev. 21-22)
  - Our habits reveal and cultivate love for the object of our worship
  - True worship reorients our hearts back to God (v.2)
  
- II. The Worshipping Christian thirsts for God (Psalm 63: 1-4)
  - He is our Covenant-God (v.1)
  - His Covenant love is better than life (v.3a)
  - Take away: We must have an intentional devotional life (vv.1b,3b, 4, 6; 1 Cor 9:27; Matt. 16:24)
  
- III. The Worshipping Christian is satisfied in God (Psalm 63:5-8)  
Three ways to find satisfaction: (C.S. Lewis)
  - The Fool's Way
  - The Sensible Way (Is. 22:13)
  - The Christian Way (Matt. 13:44)
  - Satisfaction is the aim of worship (v.8; Ruth)
  - The remedy for a dissatisfied heart is the Word of God (v.6-7; John 15:11)
  
- IV. The Worshipping Christian trusts God (Psalm 63:9-11)
  - We know about God through worship
  - Trials substantiate our knowledge of God

### Discussion Questions

1. What is your life's ambition? What do the habits of your life reveal?
2. Which of C.S. Lewis' categories on "finding satisfaction" describes you?
3. What effect(s) did worship have on David? What were his unnatural responses to the trials he faced? How did worship help him react the way he did?
4. How did David's trials substantiate his knowledge for God?

### Going Deeper

1. Saint Augustine says that our soul will always be restless until it finally rests in God. Is your soul at rest? If not, what could be occupying the throne of your heart?
2. What are ways you could become more intentional in your devotional life?