

# Be Strong and Take Heart

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Psalms 27

## Psalm 27 and Pentecost

### Our “Outer Life” and Our “Inner Life”

Not Escape from World → Strength to live in world

Not Self-Sufficient Living → Connection to God

### Our “Outer Life”

#### Words and Word Pictures

In “the land of the living” (13)

Fear (1-3)

Trouble (5)

Rejection / Abandonment (9-10)

Guidance / Direction – Straight Path (11)

### Our “Inner Life”

#### Words and Word Pictures

Dwell, Gaze, Seek, Wait

Beauty, Face

Temple – Hide and protect

Rock – Safe

## A Couple Examples

From General to Personal

Hearing God address us!

## Be Strong and Take Heart

### Your Life Now

What are you facing?

### Praying the Psalms

A way to get ready!

# Praying the Psalms

If you are fairly new to the book of Psalms, here are some good ones to begin with:

1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 15, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 27, 29, 32, 34, 37, 42, 46, 47, 48, 49, 51, 56, 57, 61, 62, 63, 65, 66, 67, 71, 72, 77, 84, 85, 91, 92, 93, 95, 97, 98, 99, 100, 103, 110, 113, 121, 123, 127, 130, 133, 139, 147, 148, 149, 150

## Read

Read the Psalm slowly and thoughtfully several times

You may want to read it in several different translations

## Ponder

Words and Phrases

Word Pictures

Connections

## Interact

God – What do you see here about God?

You – What do you see here about yourself?

You and God – What do you see about your relationship with God?

### In light of all this ...

What would you say to God?

What do you think He is saying to you?

What would you say to that?