

IN TOUCH

PUT YOUR HOPE IN GOD ALONE

Dear Friend:

Psalm 42 is one of my favorite Psalms. Written by David, it sounds like he wrote it during one of the periods of his life when his kingship was being challenged. One of his sons – Absalom, tried to overthrow David by a coup and for a period of time David had to self-exile.

There are two specific parts of Psalm 42 I like, the first is verse 1 & 2, “As the deer pants for streams of water so my soul pants for you...my soul thirsts for God.” What a beautiful image of longing to be in fellowship with God! I have to ask myself “Do I pant for God like a deer pants for streams of water?” Sadly, not often enough.

Another portion of the Psalm I particularly like is verses 5 & 11. “ Why are you downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God.” Are you completely putting your hope in God? God is unlimited, unrestricted, all powerful. In these sometimes discouraging days (COVID-19, unemployment, difficult schedule) we must put our hope in God alone. No other person, no government bailout, not even a vaccine can give us the hope that God can. I pray today that you will find your hope in God alone.

In Christ’s Love,

Pastor Mike

**Prayer: Stan Eller, Marie Hyatt, Scott Ward, Protection of Students & Teachers ---
Back To School!**

Sunday, September 6: Communion & Food Pantry Donation Day