

Valley Bible Church - Sermon Study Questions

**Study Aid for the Sermon from December 2, 2012
Worship: The Key to Living the Abundant Christian Life
Psalm 84:1-4**

Observing the text

Read Psalm 84:1-4 carefully and make as many observations as possible.

What were the “dwelling places” the psalmist was referring to?

Why did he refer to those dwelling places as “lovely?”

What was the psalmist yearning and longing for?

Why was the psalmist singing for joy to the living God?

Why was the psalmist envying the birds and swallows?

Who are “ever praising” God?

Applying the sermon

How will you experience joy if you are truly bowed before God in worship?

Why will those who are truly bowed before God in worship experience joy even if they may be going through some very difficult circumstances?

Why, if a professing believer is joyless, is it a clear indication that they are unbowed before God and are not truly worshipping God?

In what ways are you, in light of all that God is and has done for you in Christ presently joyful or joyless?

If you are joyful then thank God for all that He is and has done for you in Christ.

If you are joyless, then take the time, in light of all that God is and has done for you in Christ, and bow before Him, presenting your body to Him as a living sacrifice by confessing and forsaking all your sin.

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