

Questions:

Psalm 52

1. Read 1 Samuel 21:7, 22:9-19. What did Doeg the Edomite do? What type of man was he?
2. How do Doeg's actions parallel Proverbs 6:16-19?
3. Verse 7 says that the righteous will laugh at those who do not make God their refuge. What do they make their refuge?
4. What are the characteristics of a green olive tree that make it a picture of the faithful man?

Psalm 53

5. Where in the book of Romans do we find echoes of this Psalm? What does it tell us about our relationship with God?

6. “The fool says in his heart, ‘There is no God.’” In this Psalm, such a belief is not an atheistic rejection of God but a course of life and actions that effectively deny God’s reality. How can we live and what can we do to effectively proclaim there *is* a God?
7. Who are “my people” in verse 4? What threatens them?
8. How could verse 6 be fulfilled?