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Suggested Questions for Individual Study or Group Discussion*



- Where do you feel most "at home"? What is it about this particular place that speaks to your heart and soul?
- Read all of Psalm 84. (If in a group, have readers alternate between odd and even verses.) How would you summarize the theme of this psalm in a simple sentence?
- Who were the sons of Korah or the Korahites to whom this psalm is attributed (see 1 Chr. 26:1-19)? How might their work have influenced their prayer in this psalm (cf. 1 Chr. 26:12; Ps. 84:10)?
- Why does the psalmist describe the birds (v. 3-4)? How does the birds' experience relate to that of the psalmist?
- How has the reality of the LORD's "dwelling place" and "courts" (v. 1, 2) and the "house of God" (v. 4, 10) changed through the ministry of Christ Jesus? Where do we find God now?
- What images are used to describe pilgrims traveling to the Temple for worship? What is their attitude and their prayer? How does this compare and contrast to your approach to corporate worship?
- When have you felt a longing or yearning for God as the psalmist did (v. 2)? How did you experience this? How did you express this? How did God respond?
- How can you use some or all of this psalm as a template and guide for your own prayers this week?
- How can your small group or others encourage you in worship, and pray for you as you seek the LORD's presence and favor?



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