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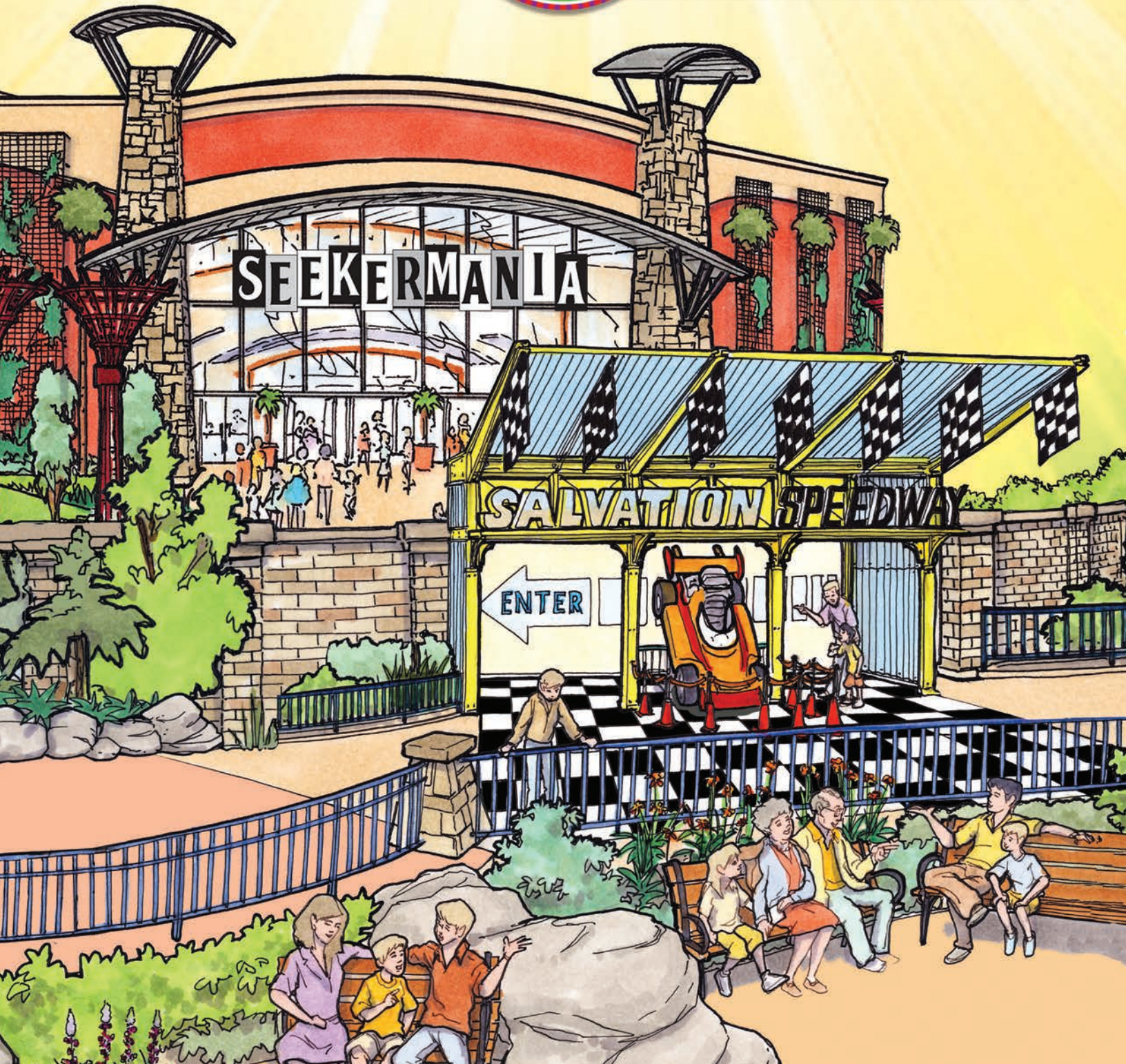
**ADVENTURES IN
THE PURSUIT OF
GOD'S PRESENCE**

GRADE

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THIS WORKBOOK BELONGS TO

UNITS 1 & 2

Core Bible Story: Matthew 5:3–16

Adventures in the pursuit of God's presence begin as we explore Jesus' teaching from the Gospel of Matthew!

Unit 1 Bible Passage: Hebrews 10:22

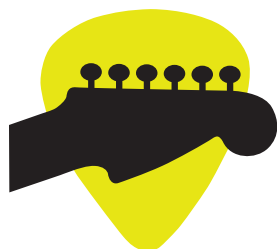
Unit 2 Bible Passage: Psalm 63:1

Two powerful Bible Passages emerge to parallel the Core Bible Story as we discover how to draw near to God.

**LET'S GET READY TO DISCOVER
THE PURSUIT OF GOD'S PRESENCE!**



UNIT 1



Core Bible Story

MATTHEW 5:3-16 JESUS TEACHES THE BEATITUDES, SALT & LIGHT

³ "Blessed are the poor in spirit, / for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. / ⁴ Blessed are those who mourn, / for they will be comforted. / ⁵ Blessed are the meek, / for they will inherit the earth. / ⁶ Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, / for they will be filled. / ⁷ Blessed are the merciful, / for they will be shown mercy. / ⁸ Blessed are the pure in heart, / for they will see God. / ⁹ Blessed are the peacemakers, / for they will be called sons of God. / ¹⁰ Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, / for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

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glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

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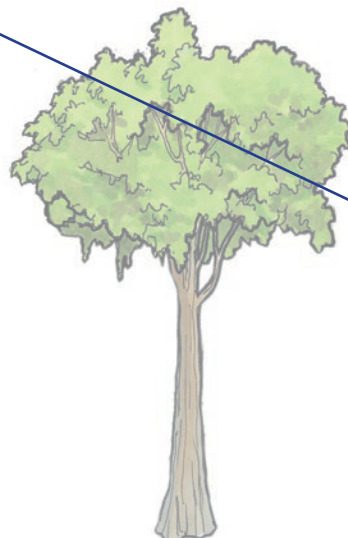
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MEANING MATCH

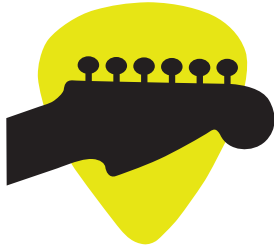
MATTHEW 5:3-16

Draw a line from each word or phrase on the left to the definition on the right that matches its meaning in the Core Bible Story.

1. Blessed
2. Kingdom of heaven
3. Poor in spirit
4. Mourn
5. Meek
6. Mercy
7. Pure in heart
8. Peacemakers
9. Persecuted
10. Righteousness



- a. Feel deeply sad about sin
- b. Those whose thoughts are neither sinful nor hypocritical
- c. Realm of God's rule
- d. Humble; exalts others
- e. Happy in finding approval
- f. Bringing people to God and bringing people together
- g. Living according to God's rules
- h. Aware of sin and need for God's grace
- i. Loving, undeserved response to someone miserable
- j. Treated badly, including ridicule, imprisonment, even death



Core Bible Story Discussion

MATTHEW 5:3–16 JESUS TEACHES THE BEATITUDES, SALT & LIGHT

Read Matthew 5:13. What did Jesus call His followers? _____

Why are believers the salt of the earth? _____

Read Matthew 5:14. What else did Jesus call His followers? _____

Why can't a city on a hill be hidden? _____

How should believers be like the city on a hill? _____

Read Matthew 5:15. What did Jesus say people don't do with a lamp? _____

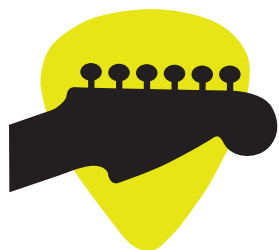
What should people do with a lamp? _____

In the same way, what should a believer do with God's love? _____

Read Matthew 5:16. Believers should let their light shine before whom? _____

How do believers let their light shine, and for what purpose? _____





Bible Passage 1

EXPLORATION AND DISCOVERY

Hebrews 10:22

Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.

Challenging Words

1. Circle the three words or short phrases from Hebrews 10:22 that are the most difficult to understand and write below.

2. After the class discussion with your teacher, write the meaning of words or phrases that were most challenging for you.

Pair and Share

With a partner, discuss the beatitudes in Matthew 5:3–11. Explain how demonstrating these characteristics brings blessing from God.

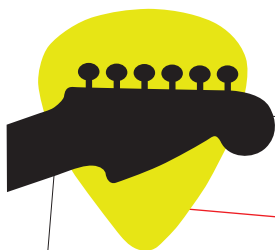
One-minute Write

After your teacher reads the description for each beatitude found in Matthew 5:3–11, describe how you could apply this characteristic in your own life.

Go to your Creative Page (page 9) to complete your work.

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HEBREWS 10:22



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Here comes the craze-catching on with you
Unbelievable and yet it's something we can do
To the Holy Place—we can enter in
Never hesitate to go and walk right up to Him
So we're drawing near to God with hearts sincere
As our faith ensures the path is always clear

Any time is right
Anywhere is near—Seekermania
Even out of sight

He is always here—Seekermania
Any time is right

Anywhere is near—Seekermania
In our daily flight
There He will appear—Seekermania!

And with endless grace—how He fascinates
Even when we wander and forget Him still He waits
So we're praying with our hearts upon our sleeves
As the Father draws us near and never leaves

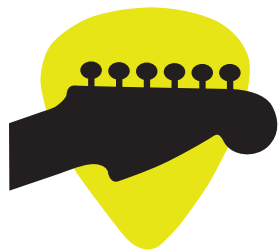


SONG SCRAMBLE

Listen to the song and unscramble these five words:

1. lapce | 2. klaw | 3. ceersni | 4. grapiny | 5. wards

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____



Bible Passage 1

EXPLORATION AND DISCOVERY



Hebrews 10:22

Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.

Everyday Dilemma

You are at a party with a bunch of your friends. You discover that the movie everyone plans to watch is inappropriate and offensive.

1. What would you do? _____

2. How do your actions show that you are being salt and light and obeying God? _____

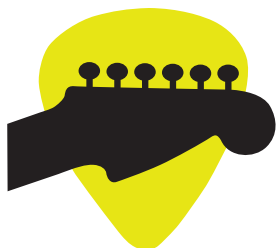
3. Why might others get angry when we obey God? _____

4. What does God promise us when we obey even in difficult times? _____

Wisdom of Another

After hearing from your classmates about how they could obey God even when faced with opposition, write down the idea that most inspired you and explain why. _____

What We Learned



Hebrews 10:22

Learning Points

FROM CORE BIBLE STORY AND BIBLE PASSAGE

To see what we've learned so far from Hebrews 10:22, fill in the blanks in the five learning points below with one of these words:

honest • cleanses • clear • praying • hear



We can draw near to God by _____ to Him.



It pleases God when we pray with an _____ heart.



We can be sure that God will _____ our prayers.



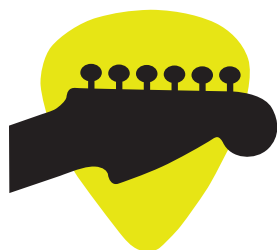
Drawing near to God _____ us in our hearts.



The path is always _____ to approach God in prayer.

Choose your favorite learning point from the list above, and explain what it means to you.





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Weekly Quiz

FROM CORE BIBLE STORY AND BIBLE PASSAGE

1. Jesus said that we are the _____ of the earth.
2. Jesus said that we are the _____ of the world.
3. Where should a light be placed? Why? _____

4. What will be the result of letting our light shine to the world? _____

5. Explain what it means to be salt OR light for us today. _____

6. According to Hebrews 10:22, how are we to draw near to God? _____

7. Why can believers consider themselves "cleansed"? _____

One-minute Write: After your teacher reads the description for each beatitude found in Matthew 5:3–11, describe how you could apply this characteristic in your own life.

Go back to page 4 when you're done.

Poor in spirit _____

Those who mourn _____

The meek _____

Those who hunger and thirst for righteousness _____

The merciful _____

The pure in heart _____

The peacemakers _____

The persecuted _____

CROSSWORD

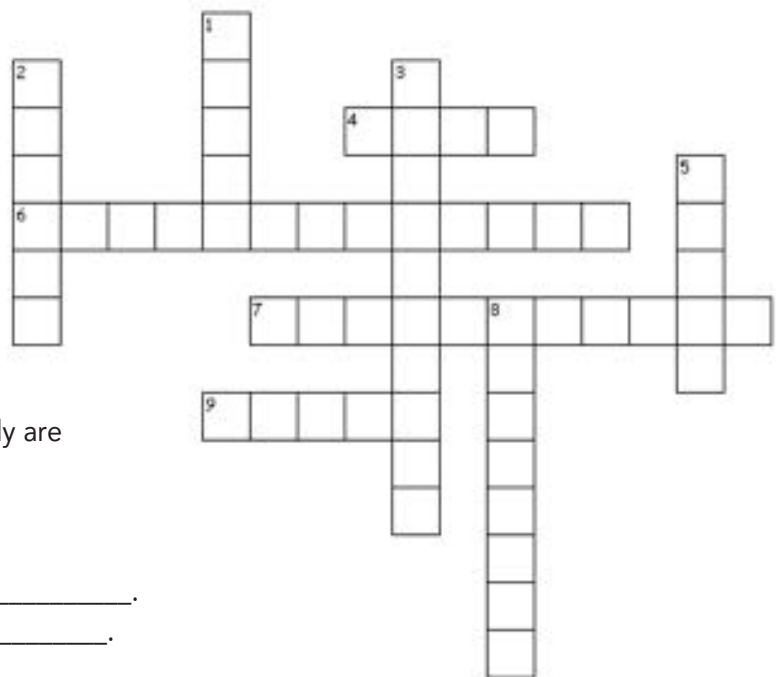
Fill in the correct answers, one letter per square, both across and down, from the given clues.

Across

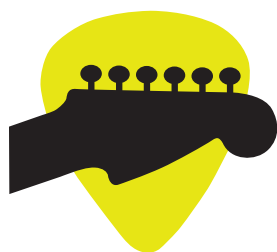
4. When you don't see yourself more highly than you should, you are _____.
6. When you seek to do God's will in everything, you have a hunger and a thirst for _____.
7. Those who try to bring people together are _____.
9. Our life of pursuing God through our good deeds shows we are salt and _____.

Down

1. Those who keep their thoughts clean and godly are called pure in _____.
2. When you know you need God, you are poor in _____.
3. Those who suffer because they obey God are _____.
5. When you are sad and regret your sins, you _____.
8. Those who show mercy are _____.



UNIT 2



Core Bible Story

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Core Bible Story Application

MATTHEW 5:3–16 APPLICATION ACTIVITY

Step 1: Do you feel more like salt or light? _____

Step 2: What do you do that makes you salt or light? _____

Step 3: How can your saltiness or light have a positive effect on the world for God?



Bible Passage 2

EXPLORATION AND DISCOVERY

Psalm 63:1

O God, you are my God, earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you, my body longs for you, in a dry and weary land where there is no water.



Scripture Study

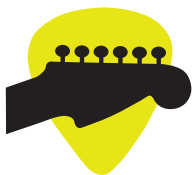
PSALM 63:1 APPLICATION ACTIVITY

With a partner, read these passages: Psalm 84:2; Isaiah 26:9; Matthew 5:6.

What main idea do these verses share? _____

How do these verses help us understand Psalm 63:1? _____

Challenge: When we feel distant from God, what actions should we take?

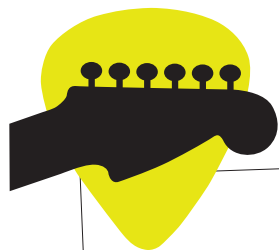


One Word

1. Choose one word that best represents Psalm 63:1. _____

2. Explain why you chose that word and how it best represents the lesson.

3. How does this word show what our attitude should be like in knowing God? _____



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PSALM 63:1

iSEEK

Hey God-You are my God
And I seek You more and more
Hey God-You are my God
More than I found You before
With a hunger and a thirst
May I long to seek You first
Hey God-You are my God
And I seek You more and more

Up to seek-need to seek-get to seek-so I seek
In to seek-want to seek-got to seek-so I seek

Hey God-You are my God
And I seek You here and there
Hey God-You are my God
There I find You everywhere
In a dry and weary land
May I long to seek Your hand
Hey God-You are my God
And I seek You here and there

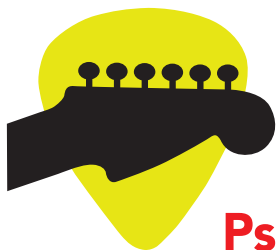


TILE SCRAMBLE

What does it mean to be salt and light?
Unscramble the tiles to reveal a message.

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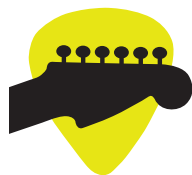


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Object Prompt

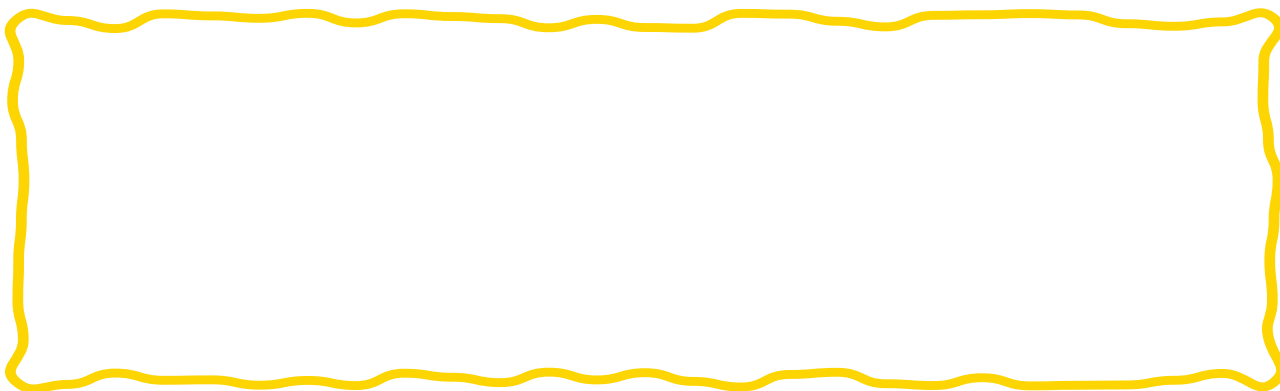
Identify the object shown by your teacher.

What does the object have to do with what you are learning from the Bible passage this week? _____



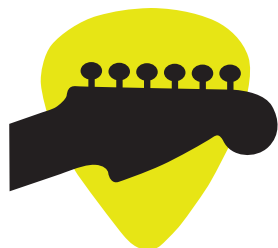
Let's Draw

Choose one of the beatitudes from Matthew 5:3–11 and draw it.



1. Explain which beatitude you chose and describe how your drawing illustrates that characteristic. _____
2. Now that you know this verse, what should you do? _____
3. What is promised for those that demonstrate the beatitude you chose? _____
4. One other thing that you learned from the passage is: _____

What We Learned



Psalm 63:1

Learning Points

FROM CORE BIBLE STORY AND BIBLE PASSAGE

To see what we've learned so far from Psalm 63:1, fill in the blanks in the five learning points below with one of these words:

devotion • more • anywhere • thirsty • acknowledge



To seek God _____ that He is your God.



Earnestly seek God with faith and _____.



We will be blessed by seeking God _____ and more.



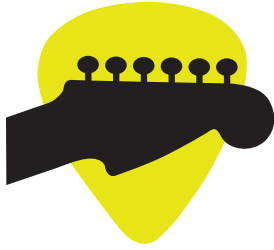
Seeking God in prayer can happen _____.



Only God's presence can satisfy a _____ soul.



Choose your favorite learning point from the list above, and explain what it means to you.

**SEEKERMANIA****Weekly Quiz**

FROM CORE BIBLE STORY AND BIBLE PASSAGE

1. What makes salt worthless? _____

2. How can that happen to a believer? _____

3. When Jesus calls us lights, to what does He compare us?

4. Why can a city on a hill not be hidden? _____

5. How can Christians be a light to the world? _____

6. Who wrote Psalm 63? _____
7. If you were giving David advice, what might you tell him to do since he is thirsty for God? _____

One thing from the lesson that challenged me this week is:

This is what I thank God for (my praise):

This is how I can live out what I learned this week at home:
