#### LIFE GROUP/PERSONAL STUDY QUESTIONS

- 1. What impacted you most from your overall experience with FCC on Sunday?
- 2. Read Psalm 13:1, 2. How many times does King David ask the LORD 'How long'? (NASB) Discuss the accusations he levels at the LORD. Were they fair? Do we feel this way sometimes when troubles multiply?
- 3. Discuss David's mood and outlook as he assessed his circumstances. Consult a study bible to consider who his enemy or enemies were. Discuss the tendency to 'counsel in my soul' and to experience 'sorrow in my heart all the day' when we have concluded that God has forgot us or is ignoring us. How does turning inward make things worse and how does it dishonor God?
- 4. Read 13:3, 4 Discuss David's change in perspective when he goes from questioning God's care and concern to requesting Him to interact with him. Describe what practical help he is asking for by the three verbs he uses and by his use of the words 'my God'. How do we apply this to ourselves?
- 5. As a warrior and a king, David faced an enemy and adversaries (as he mentions in verses 2 and 4). Read 1 Peter 5:6-12. Who is our adversary, what are his tactics and how do we maintain victory over him? What verbs does Peter use in verses 8, 9 and 12 to enable us to be victorious? Discuss how powerful these verbs are as we apply them in our daily lives.
- 6. Read 13:5, 6 The word 'but' is a conjunction that often means 'however' or 'on the contrary' to introduce a contrasting idea. Discuss the contrast between verses 1, 2 and 5, 6. Do you think that his circumstances changed or just his perspective? Discuss your answer. Share our own experiences of allowing difficult trials to color our perception of God and our trust in Him.
- 7. Read verses one and six again. Let's make a promise to ourselves to make sure we get to verse six each day rather than stay in verse one. Review Philippians 4:6-8.and discuss how it applies to this Psalm and David's expression of his experience.
- 8. How did the Holy Spirit prompt you on Sunday at FCC?



AUGUST 17, 2025

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# **FCC Weekly Announcements**

# Offering:

\$11,251

Average: \$12,330 / Budget: \$13,197

**Youth:** Jr. High and High School For Info contact Lane Garcia

(406) 370-6472 Wednesday nights 6:30-8:15pm



# Young Adults (18-25yrs):



Meet Sundays @ 6:30pm FCC Ministry Center Contact Gerrit or Elaine Kamp (646) 342-3144



Wednesday, August 20 @ noon El Ranchito

# Events Coming up in Aug. & Sept. Details in Spirit of Faith email:

Through Aug 29 Summer Office Hours T/W/Th 10am-2pm

August 17 Youth Family Lake Day 1:15pm August 19 Kid's Bike Night 6:30 - 8pm August 20 Ladies Lunch @ El Ranchito @ noon

#### Looking ahead to September:

Sept 2 Pastor Shawn back from Sabbatical Sept 3 1st Awana & Youth Group 6:30pm Sept 7 Fall Kick off / Ministry Fair info in SOF Sept 9 Women's Ministry Fall Kick-Off 7pm Sept 10 Women's morning bible studies start Sign up mid August

Sept 10 Adult evening bible studies start

Sept 14 Fall Outdoor Service & BBQ Sept 18 Diaconia Dinner 5:30pm

Sept 21 SS & EH Start 9 - 9:45am

Sept 21 Communion

### **Missions of the Month**





Serve & Equip
David & Sheri Moore

## **Children's Ministry**



Melany Moyer (360-303-1044) Nursery, Children's Church, Sunday School and AWANA \*\*Snacks Provided\*\*

#### **Sunday School Teacher Needed**



For the preschool age kids
See Melany if you are interested.
Starting Sept





# **Psalm 13**From Panic to Praise

Life is daily. And sometimes life's circumstances can overwhelm us. Our experiences in this world can unravel our emotions and eclipse the loving presence and provision of our LORD God. Is this true only of the 21st century in which we live? No. Even a 'man after God's own heart' from centuries ago experienced the traumas of this fallen world.

I. Panic Psalm 13:1, 2

II. Petition :3, 4

III. Praise :5, 6