

SONGS FOR SUMMER

THE BOOK OF PSALMS

Psalm 61 (ESV)

To the choirmaster: with stringed instruments. Of David.

*Hear my cry, O God,
listen to my prayer;*

*²from the end of the earth I call to you
when my heart is faint.*

*Lead me to the rock
that is higher than I,*

*³for you have been my refuge,
a strong tower against the enemy.*

⁴Let me dwell in your tent forever!

Let me take refuge under the shelter of your wings! Selah

*⁵For you, O God, have heard my vows;
you have given me the heritage of those who fear your name.*

*⁶Prolong the life of the king;
may his years endure to all generations!*

*⁷May he be enthroned forever before God;
appoint steadfast love and faithfulness to watch over him!*

*⁸So will I ever sing praises to your name,
as I perform my vows day after day.*

Next Week: Acts

September 1, 2019

TALK SHEET

1. David begins by asking God to listen to his prayer. Do you have confidence that God listens to your prayers? Why or why not?
2. Give an example of a time that you found the Lord to be your shelter.
3. What does it mean to have “the heritage of those who fear your name”?
4. Why does David make a request for the king in verse 6?
5. How might David expect his years to endure to all generations? How do you expect it to be fulfilled?
6. What is the significance of David’s request in verse 7 that “steadfast love and faithfulness” watch over him?
7. Do you ever make vows to the Lord? Why or why not?
8. Spend some time praying or giving praise to God for his shelter.