
Date: August 31, 2025 **Message:** Wisdom and Guidance
Series: When and How to Pray **Scripture:** Psalm 25

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

Psalm 25

The Psalmist's requests:

Why he believes his request will be granted:

Why God will grant his request:

1. When you think about prayer, do you more often lean toward asking for specific outcomes (like David asking for rescue) or toward asking for God's will and direction? Why?
2. What's one recent decision you prayed about—big or small—and how did you approach it?
3. Why do you think it's important to be honest with God about what we want, even if He may not give it to us?
4. Jesus prayed in Gethsemane, "Let this cup pass from me... yet not my will but yours be done." How does this tension between request and surrender show up in your own prayers?
5. When you are desperate for God to answer, what are you most tempted to do—bargain with Him, remind Him of your good deeds, or appeal to His mercy?
6. Why is it freeing to know that God answers on the basis of His goodness, not ours?
7. How might our decision-making look different if we really believed that humility, not merit, is what qualifies us to be led by God?