

God with Us - 1st Sunday of Advent

Passing through the Valley

December 2, 2018

“Look! The virgin will conceive a child! She will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel, which means ‘God is with us.’” Matthew 1:23NLT

We may _____ God on the mountaintops, but we get to _____ intimately in the valleys.

Blessed are those whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on pilgrimage. ⁶ As they pass through the Valley of Baka, they make it a place of springs; the autumn rains also cover it with pools. ⁷ They go from strength to strength, till each appears before God in Zion. Psalm 84:5-7

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My current circumstances may _____ —

But my _____!

What joy for those whose strength comes from the LORD, who have set their minds on a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. Psalm 84:5 NLT

As they pass through the Valley of Baka, they make it a place of springs; the autumn rains also cover it with pools. Psalm 84:6

Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? ⁸ If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. ⁹ If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, ¹⁰ even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast. Psalm 139:7-10

For the Week Ahead

On a scale of 1 to 10, how much do you think and live like God is always with you? Explain.

Today we talked about how we get to know God in the valleys. What have you learned about God in a valley?

God is with you. How can you draw near to Him during this season?