

Part 6: Tehillah September 8 & 9, 2019 Grant Fishbook, Lead Teaching Pastor

What song do you sing when...

- ...you're sad?
- ...your heart is broken?
- ...you're happy?
- ...you need a miracle?

tehillâh (teh-hil-law)

Laudation. A hymn. A song of praise. A new song. A spontaneous song.

In the middle of the greatest <u>pain</u> comes the opportunity for the greatest praise.

Psalm 22:1-5

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, so far from my cries of anguish?

- ²My God, I cry out by day, but you do not answer, by night, but I find no rest.
- ³ Yet you are enthroned as the Holy One; you are the one Israel praises (tehillâh).
- ⁴ In you our ancestors put their trust; they trusted and you delivered them.
- ⁵ To you they cried out and were saved; in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

Psalm 40:3

He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God *(tehillâh)* to our God; Many will see and fear the Lord and put their trust in him.

Psalm 100:4

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise (tehillâh); give thanks to him and praise (bârak) His name.

The Worship Promise:

God takes up residence in the new songs of our heart.

Matthew 26:26-30

²⁶ While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body."

²⁷ Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. ²⁸ This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ²⁹ I tell you, I will not drink from this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

³⁰ When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

What song would you sing in the face of such love?

Small Group Questions

- 1) What is your favorite song of all time? Why?
- 2) Review the song questions from the top of the outline. How did you answer the questions?
- 3) What does it mean to you that God inhabits the praises of his people? How have you experienced this in your own life?
- 4) Has God ever used pain to increase the volume of your worship? What can you tell us about that?
- 5) Read Matthew 26:26-30 once again. What song is bubbling up in your heart as you read this passage of scripture?
- 6) How can we pray for you right now and throughout the week?