

SERMON GUIDE

MIXED EMOTIONS

Psalm 55

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The Conversation Guide is a great tool for individuals, families, discipleship groups and Missional Communities to take a deeper, more personal dive into the content of the current sermon series. The Conversation Guide will be posted by every Friday on the 'live' page of our website and in our weekly newsletter. We encourage you to use it this week on your own, around your dinner tables, over coffee with your friends or in your faith groups!

The Conversation Guide is built on the SOAP model, which is a tool you can use when reading the Bible. SOAP helps you be intentional about paying attention to:

Scripture that stands out to you while you read

Observations about the verse or phrases that stood out to you

Application that connect the verses to your real life and relationships

Prayers that invites God to participate in your life and provide power to follow him

Conversation Questions

Getting to know me: Can you think of the last time you experienced strong emotions? What circumstance prompted those emotions?

Read Psalm 55

- S** What do you love most about what you just read? What verses, phrases, or words stand out to you as you read these scriptures? Is anything jumping off the page and affecting your spirit?
- O** What emotions does David express in Psalm 55? How do they reflect the depth of his distress? How do they change throughout the Psalm?
- O** How does David describe his relationship with the one who betrayed him (verses 12-14)? What makes this betrayal especially painful?
- O** In verses 16-23, how does David's focus shift from his circumstances to God? What repeated themes or ideas do you notice in this section?
- A** If God had written this passage just for you, what words, phrases or ideas would he have underlined specifically for you? What did you need to hear most? Why?
- A** How do your emotions often reflect the circumstances you face? How can Psalm 55 guide you bringing those emotions to God?
- P** Talk to God about your application responses above. Ask him to speak to you, help you, forgive you, and provide direction that you need.