

Sermon Notes

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FOLLOW HARD

Psalm 63 (NIV)

PSALM 63 Grammatical Structure

- Verse 1 (The PRELUDE) — Desperately searching for God.
- Verses 2-5 (MIRROR #1) — 4 verses including 27 Hebrew words. A reflection looking back on God's goodness.
- Verse 6 (The HINGE) - Everything swings from a desperate search for God to joyful anticipation of God's presence.
- Verses 7-10 (MIRROR #2) — 4 verses including 27 Hebrew words. Anticipation while looking ahead to God's goodness.
- Verse 11 (The CONCLUSION) — Confident expectation of rejoicing in God's presence.

Psalm 63:1-11 (NIV)

¹You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek You; I thirst for You, my whole being longs for You, in a dry and parched land where there is no water. ²I have seen You in the sanctuary and beheld Your power and Your glory. ³Because Your love is better than life, my lips will glorify You. ⁴I will praise You as long as I live, and in Your name I will lift up my hands. ⁵I will be fully satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise You. ⁶On my bed I remember You; I think of You through the watches of the night. ⁷Because You are my help, I sing in the shadow of Your wings. ⁸I cling to You; Your right hand upholds me. ⁹Those who want to kill me will be destroyed; they will go down to the depths of the earth. ¹⁰They will be given over to the sword and become food for jackals. ¹¹But the king will rejoice in God; all who swear by God will glory in Him, while the mouths of liars will be silenced.