## Sermon Notes

### **BECAUSE**

Psalm 86

### Because of who God is.... Pray to Him!

For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you. (Psalm 86:5)

### Because of how great God is....Worship Him!

All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God. (Psalm 86:9–10)

#### Because of how loving God is....Fear Him!

Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth;
unite my heart to fear your name.
I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
and I will glorify your name forever.
For great is your steadfast love toward me;
you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol. (Psalm 86:11–13)

### Because of how faithful God is....Trust Him!

But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

Turn to me and be gracious to me; give your strength to your servant, and save the son of your maidservant.

Show me a sign of your favor, that those who hate me may see and be put to shame because you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me. (Psalm 86:15–17)

# Weekly Discipleship Guide

## Sunday

In your journal, reflect on today's sermon by answering the following:

I never knew: I was challenged: I was reminded: I was convicted:

A question I still have: A truth I could share:

Know

## Monday

Spend some time today doing the following:

Read the sermon passage again.

Select a portion of this week's sermon passage to memorize this week.

Write your selected portion and read it to yourself at least 10 times throughout the day.

Know > Be

## Tuesday

*In your journal, spend some time writing about the following:* 

Read the sermon passage again.

Write a prayer of response, guided by the passage.

(May include adoration, confession/repentance, thanksgiving, petition, etc...)

Write your selected portion of the Scripture several times to aid in memorization.

Be

## Wednesday

Think about this week's questions for group discussion:

Read v. 1-7 again. What can you identify as the greatest petitions of David's heart? Are they consistent with yours? How might God be using the present circumstances to expose our true needs ... and the only truth source of help?

In v. 11 David prays that God would "unify his heart." What is he praying for, exactly? How do you believe God may be using our present circumstances to do just that in the hearts of his people?

We often see the phrase "but you" setting a transition from a temporary reality to the eternal reality of who God is. From your own perspective in our present situation, how many "but you" statements can you and your family/group come up with?

Be > Do

### **Thursday**

*In your journal, spend some time considering the following:* 

What insights have you had while internalizing this week's passage?

How specifically will you seek to apply its truths in your home/workplace/life in general?

Do

\*Use this guide to help you internalize this week's passage & message.

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