



# ST PAUL'S LUTHERAN

January 27-29, 2024 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany

## Psalm 62

**Verse 1-2:** Where do you go for help with:  
Home repairs?

Car repairs?

Heart repairs?

What is David's final solution for all help physical and spiritual, body and soul?

How are his descriptions of God accurate?

*Rock*                      *Salvation*                      *Fortress*

**Verse 3:** When have you felt like a *tottering fence* or a *leaning wall* and you feel others pushing against you (physical people or spiritual enemies)?

**Verse 4:** How does the Christian bear up under people maligning and misrepresenting them or spreading rumors about them?

**Verse 5-6:** Why do we always need this constant refrain and reminder in our lives: "*Yes, my soul, find rest in God; my hope comes from him.*"?

How will we "*never*" and "*not be shaken*" with God?

**Verse 7:** Even though God gives us purpose, work, abilities and talents in this life, what did King David, a highly talented and powerful person, realize about where his *salvation* and his *honor* (weight and worth) come from?

How have you learned this in your life?

**Verse 8:** David exhorts us to put our *trust in God at all times*, and to pour out our hearts to him recognizing he *is our refuge*. How will we do this?

What will the benefit be?

How and when are opportunities where we can encourage others to do the same?

**Verse 9:** We often like to "see it to believe it." How can appearances of what others seem to be or have or experience lead us to doubt that following God even in the storms is worth it?

What did David realize about appearances?

**Verse 10:** Sometimes we are led to think that getting riches or opportunities or "all the things" of this life will give us peace, rest, happiness – which almost every advertisement and commercial promises. We are tempted to even cheat and steal to get these things. Why is this a dead end?

As God blesses us in differing degrees of wealth in this life, why does David warn us not to put our heart or trust in them?

**Verse 11-12:** Two truths about God are highlighted here. God is **all-powerful**, and God is **unfailing in his love for us**. Where do you see God's power and love most clearly in history?

Where do you see it most clearly in your life?

David closes with a phrase that speaks of God's reward to each *according to what they've done*. We know our salvation is a gift from God and not by our works. Yet how is it a comfort to us believers that God knows all we go through and all that happens to us and he will reward?