

Lesson 2: David: The Shepherd Boy of Israel - Questions

Read: Psalms 8 and 19

Historical Context: I Samuel 15, 16, 17

1. As an outdoor-living shepherd, what helped David to shape his thinking and his attitudes about God? What truths were discovered as he filled the role of a faithful and brave shepherd?
2. What two experiences influenced David to trust God's power rather than his own?
3. What is meant by the phrase "*how excellent is Your name*"? (**Psalm 8:1**)
4. Discuss the significance of the psalmist's use of the words "*consider*" and "*fingers*" in **Psalm 8:3. (Psalm 14:1; Exodus 31:18)**

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5. Reflect on the historical context in light of David's awareness in **Psalm 8:4-8**. What personal reflections or applications do you glean from this? (**Hebrews 2:5-11; I John 4:19**)

6. How do "*the days utter speech*" and "*the night reveals knowledge*"? (**Psalm 19:2-4**)

7. What eight accolades for the perfection of the Law of the Lord does David speak of? (**Psalm 19:7-11**)

8. List five categories into which David divided "*the word of the Lord*"? (**Psalm 19:7-9**)

9. What is the greatest of all blessings that spring forth from obedience to God's Word? (**Psalm 19:11-13**)

10. What principles do you find in these 2 psalms? Any personal applications you can make?