

Message Notes for September 22, 2024

Message Series: Psalm 26—A Prayer of an Innocent Person

Message Title: Vindicate Me, O Lord

If we want to live with the Lord's approval,
we should _____ into every area of our lives.

When we are true to the Lord, integrity is _____ to others

for I have walked in my integrity, Psalm 26:1b NRSV

But as for me, I walk in my integrity; Psalm 26:11a NRSV

Prove me, O Lord, and try me; test my heart and mind. Psalm 26:2 NRSV

I wash my hands in innocence, and go around your altar, O Lord,
singing aloud a song of thanksgiving, and telling all your wondrous deeds.
Psalm 26:6-7 NRSV

Do not sweep me away with sinners, nor my life with the bloodthirsty,
Psalm 26:9 NRSV

Vindicate me, O Lord, for I have walked in my integrity,
and I have trusted in the Lord without wavering. Psalm 26:1 NRSV

The 26th Psalm offers a challenge:
_____ who you are going to serve.

Psalm 26 teaches us there's a distinct look or presence

to a _____

- v.1 and 3 remind us it involves a _____

- v. 6-8 tell us that faithful people will _____ proclaim
gratitude to God and testify to God being the source of their wholeness

- v. 12 teaches it involves knowing where a person
should _____ with _____ and v. 4-5 where _____

I don't hang out with tricksters, I don't pal around with thugs;

I hate that pack of gangsters, I don't deal with double-dealers.

Psalm 26:4-5 MES

Praying for vindication and judgment can sound like

the prayer of a _____.

Now there was a widow in that city, and she kept coming to him, saying,

"Give me justice against my opponent."

Luke 18:3 NASB

When we are _____

we plead with God for vindication.

Relevant Question: Is there anything you need to do

so you can live before God with a clear conscience?

The purpose of prayer is not to get what we want...

but to _____