

# NOTHING COMPARES TO KNOWING GOD

## PSALM 16

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I. Nothing compares to knowing God \_\_\_\_\_  
(1-4)

II. Nothing compares to knowing God \_\_\_\_\_  
(5-8)

III. Nothing compares to knowing God \_\_\_\_\_  
(9-11)

– Acts 2:23-32

*“To have found God and still to pursue Him is the soul’s paradox of love, scorned indeed by the too-easily-satisfied religionist, but justified in happy experience by the children of the burning heart.” — A.W. Tozer in the Pursuit of God*

### Psalm 16

*A Miktam of David.*

<sup>1</sup> Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge. <sup>2</sup> I say to the LORD, “You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.”

<sup>3</sup> As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight. <sup>4</sup> The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips. <sup>5</sup> The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot. <sup>6</sup> The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed I have a beautiful inheritance. <sup>7</sup> I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. <sup>8</sup> I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

<sup>9</sup> Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure.

<sup>10</sup> For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption. <sup>11</sup> You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

*These questions are for further study and application of today's text of Scripture. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. One of the best ways to grow as a disciple is by discussing these types of questions in a small group. Find a small group here: [gracebiblecw.com/lifegroup](http://gracebiblecw.com/lifegroup) or ask someone next to you if you can join their group!*

- 1) Read Psalm 16:1-2. What things in your life (if God took them away), would make you feel like God was no longer “preserving” you? What things in your life are you tempted to idolize rather than viewing God as your only “good”?
  
- 2) Read Psalm 16:3-4. How can you grow in “delighting in the saints”? What is one action you can do this week to work on that?
  
- 3) Read Psalm 16:5-8. Jesus was the only one who “always” set the Lord before him, but how can you grow in “always setting the Lord before you” this week?
  
- 4) Read Psalm 16:9-11. Would people describe Christianity as a joyful thing when they look at your life? Why or why not?
  
- 5) Read Psalm 16:9-11 again. Where does the Psalmist's joy come from? How can you pursue pleasure in knowing God this week?