

God is Watching Over Us!

Psalm 121

**The Lord our God is watching over us,
no matter what is in front of us!**

1. We are assured of the **POWER** of God
2. We are assured of the **STEADFASTNESS** of God's watchful care
3. We are assured of the **NEARNESS** of God
4. We are assured of the **ENDURANCE** of God

For Further Thought and Study

How to Read the Bible For All It's Worth by Gordon Fee and Douglas Stuart

A Long Obedience in the Same Direction by Eugene H. Peterson

Misreading Scripture with Western Eyes by E. Randolph Richards and Brandon J. O'Brien

Discussion Questions:

1. How were the Psalms of ascent used for Israel's worship at festival time? How does this knowledge help us to engage the Psalms?
2. Pastor Eric mentioned a progression from Psalm 120-134. What movement do we see from the beginning of the Psalms of ascent to the end?
3. What do the mountains represent in the Psalm? How does the Psalmist console himself as he looks at the difficult journey ahead?
4. The voicing of the Psalm changes from "I", "me", "mine", to "you", "your", and "Israel". What does this change from personal to communal communicate to us?
5. Four attributes of God were highlighted in the Psalm (power, steadfastness, nearness, and endurance). Which of these attributes is most meaningful to you right now in your life? Why?