

STUDY QUESTIONS FOR Psalm 22
For the Sermon of July 20, 2008

- 1. Of all your years of life, which one would you describe as your bluest year and why?**
- 2. As you study Psalm 22 and look at verses 1-5, what deep questions do you notice in the Psalmist's cry?**
- 3. Then look at vs. 6-11. When the Psalmist lands on vs. 6, what is his assumption about why God has not been answering him as God answered the fathers of old? Look at Job 25:6 and Isaiah 41:14 to see how the word "worm" is used in each place.**
- 4. In this section, there begins to be some likenesses with Jesus – compare vs. 7-8 and Matthew 27:39 and Matthew 27:43. How do you think the Psalm and Jesus are linked?**
- 5. What is the summary request of vs. 11? What difference would God's presence make if there is still suffering?**
- 6. The section including vs. 11-21 bears an uncanny resemblance to the events surrounding the crucifixion of Christ. See how many items you can find that are prophetically described.**
- 7. What is the mood of vs. 22-31? What do you think happened between vs. 21 and 22? How long do you think it took to get from vs. 21 to vs. 22?**
- 8. What will you take home from this Psalm that will stick to your life?**