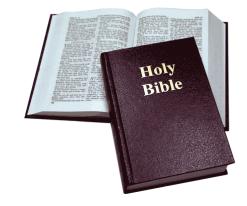
## Spiritual Experiences from David's Psalms

Reading: Psalm 56:1-13



"Fear and Faith"

Home Fellowship Group Bible Study Questions Tuesday 12th/Wednesday 13th June

Recommended Background Reading
1 Samuel 21:10-22:1

- 1) What does the language of verses 1-2 reveal about the extent of David's circumstances? Is it appropriate for a follower of God to be afraid?
- 2) David appears to contradict himself in verses 3 and 4 when on one hand he says 'when I <u>am</u> afraid' and on the other hand 'I shall not be afraid'. *How are we to understand this?*
- 3) What is there in verses 3-4; repeated again in verses 10-11, that can help us understand how fear moves to faith?
- 4) In verses 5-7 what does David understand concerning the opposition he is encountering? Is he right to ask God to destroy his enemies?
- 5) God's knowledge of our circumstances in verse 8 will either make us uncomfortable or reassured. *How does David view this in verse 9, and how can that encourage us today?*
- 6) In verses 12-13 the confidence and trust in God brings an active response from the Psalmist. What is David committing himself to in these verses and what application is there for us today?