

The "House of the Lord"

Psalms 84

The "Courts" of the Lord

Verse 2 – Just like Psalms 42 ("as the deer"). Here, he is longing for the "courts" of the Lord. What is this?

Psalms 100:4 - *Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into **His courts** with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name.*

Verse 1 – His tabernacle

Verse 10 – "...the house of the Lord"

This is the "House" of the Lord.

Verse 7 – this is why people don't go "from strength to strength"

Do you identify with this desire (v.10)?

Why Should We Want to Be in "God's House"?

(1) Because of the relationship between the House of the Lord and the Presence of the Lord.

*Psalms 92:13 Those who are **planted in the house of the Lord** Shall **flourish in the courts of our God**. 14 They shall still bear fruit in old age; They shall be fresh and flourishing,*

Eph. 2:19-22

*19 Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and **members of the household of God**, 20 having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, 21 in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, 22 in whom **you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.***

(2) Because it's where much of real salvation occurs.

Lordship -Magdalena

I Cor. 12:3 - Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit.

Built Together

Our 'building'

Want to strengthen the spiritual house first – quit emphasizing physical building as much for a while.

Gym - \$50K from the church

School – built a few years ago, paid for!

Our building fund - \$600K toward a \$1.6M fund

Each family - \$1K (?)

I Pet. 2:4-6

*4 Coming to Him as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and precious, 5 you also, as living stones, **are being built up a spiritual house**, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. 6 Therefore it is also contained in the Scripture, "Behold, I lay in Zion A chief cornerstone, elect, precious, And he who believes on Him will by no means be put to shame."*