

Connecting Together

When you hear the word “grief,” what comes to mind? What are some forms of grief people experience besides the death of a loved one?

Have you ever gone through a season where you found yourself asking, “how long?” What made that season difficult?

Connecting to the Passage

Read **Psalm 13:1-2**

David asks “How long?” four times. What does that repetition reveal about his emotional and spiritual state? Why do you think grief often makes God feel distant, even when He’s not?

Read **Psalm 13:3-4**

What do you notice about the shift from **verses 1-2** to **verses 3-4**? Why is it significant that David brings his pain directly to God rather than hiding it or suppressing it?

Which of these is more natural for you during difficult seasons: pulling away from God or bringing your struggles honestly to God? Why?

Read **Psalm 13:5-6**

What changed between **verses 1-2** and **verses 5-6**? What stayed the same? Why is that distinction important?

What does David choose to trust in **verse 5**, and why is that significant for someone experiencing grief?

Connecting to Application

Which of the three truths from Psalm 13 do you most need right now: Grief often feels like God is far away, Grief must be brought to God, Grief does not get the final word? Why?

Is there a grief, disappointment, loss, or unresolved hurt that you need to stop carrying alone and begin bringing honestly to God?

What is one truth about God’s character that you need to anchor yourself to this week when your feelings tell you something different?

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Current Series

UNDER PRESSURE

THE PRESSURE IS REAL, GOD'S PRESENCE IS GREATER.

WELCOME

June 28, 2026



WORSHIP ORDER

- I BELIEVE
- BAPTISM
- WELCOME
- OFFERING
- PARTNERSHIP
- GREETING
- TRUST IN GOD
- GOODNESS OF GOD
- MESSAGE
- HIGHLANDS (SONG OF ASCENT)
- SEND OFF AND PRAYER

 **NORTHAMPTON**
BIBLE CHURCH

Love God | Love People | Make Disciples

UPCOMING

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER

In the Café at 8:30

Plan to come if you would like to take part in praying for Sunday mornings and each other.

PRAYER CHAIN

Please contact Marcia Peters at care@nbchurchcf.org if interested in joining Northampton's prayer chain. If you have prayer request needs, please email them to care@nbchurchcf.org; if you don't email, nbchurchcf.org/prayer.

CARE MINISTRY

If you, or someone you know, has a need for prayer, meals, or other assistance, please fill out a request card located at the back of the church and drop it in the collection basket or email your request to care@nbchurchcf.org.

**YOUNG ADULTS ULTIMATE COOK-OFF!
TODAY! 4:00-7:00PM**

YOUNG ADULT WOMEN'S GROUP LAUNCH

Friday, July 10, 7:00pm

At Northampton

Please contact Danielle Cordes with any questions (330-417-1135).

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, July 11, 8:00

Sign up in the **Church Center App**.

MEN'S CONFERENCE



DISCOVER NORTH

Sunday, July 19

After the morning service. Meet pastors, leaders, hear the vision and find your next step. **Sign up in the Church Center App.**

REAL-LIFE DISCIPLESHIP CLASS

Wednesdays, beginning August 26, 7:30pm (for 11 weeks). Sign up in the Church Center App!

MESSAGE NOTES

Pastor Joe Pryor

Grief May Linger, But God Has Not Left

Psalm 13

“HOW LONG?”

1. Grief often feels like God is _____
2. Grief must be _____ to God
3. Grief doesn't get the _____

When the grief won't go away...

1. _____ the “how long?”
2. Bring your _____ to God
3. Anchor yourself in God's _____



Check out classes and next steps: www.nbchurchcf.org/nextsteps/



Next week: **Under Pressure**
Disappointed with God | John 11