



— SELECTIONS FROM THE **PSALMS** —

Joy · Lament · Jesus

## Psalm 123:1-2 (ESV)

To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens! Behold, as the eyes of servants, to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the Lord our God, till he has mercy upon us.

## Psalm 123:3-4 (ESV)

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us, for we have had more than enough of contempt. Our soul has had more than enough of the scorn of those who are at ease, of the contempt of the proud.



## Two Major **F**ocuses

- Eyes
- Mercy



# The **Superscript**


– *A Song of Ascent* (Psalm 120-134)

A landscape photograph featuring a field of yellow wildflowers in the foreground. In the background, a single tree stands on a hillside under a soft, hazy sky. The entire image is overlaid with a dark green, semi-transparent rounded rectangle. The word "Eyes" is written in white, sans-serif font, centered within the rectangle.

Eyes

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Mercy

A photograph of a field of yellow wildflowers in the foreground, with a large, dark tree in the background. The scene is softly lit, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. A semi-transparent dark green rounded rectangle is overlaid on the image, containing white text.

Set our gaze on the LORD in order to  
ascend over our trouble and under  
His' arms





## Therefore...

- The trouble should not get all the attention, the Lord should.
- The trouble might persist, but your focus must be more persistent.
- Let this be our guide in times of trouble

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