

“Recovery of First Love: Steps to Recovery”

Part 1

Text: Psalm 63

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A. _____ to _____

1. Remember our covenant relationship

Ps. 63:1; 2 Cor. 6:14-18

2. Labor to find God

Ps. 63:1; Phil. 3:12-15

3. Long to have God

Ps. 63:1; Phil. 3:7-10

4. Confess spiritual barrenness

Ps. 63:2; Luke 22:14-20

5. Recall past fellowship

Ps. 63:2; Luke 22:14-20

J.W. ALEXANDER on coming to the Lord's Table, "The great object of your thoughts is however, the Master of the Feast, the Lord Jesus, here evidently set forth crucified. When he is vividly before your mind, in his agonies and death, believe on him, rest in him, cleave to him. By faith feed on him, as they bread of life. Do not hesitate to let the full tide of your affections flow out to him. Love him as infinitely holy and gracious. Set to your seal that God is true and appropriate him as yours saying My lord and my God. Adore the ineffable glory of God as it shines in the face of Jesus Christ. And renew your covenant, by yielding yourself irrevocably to him, as your Lord and king. These are but examples of the acts of a happy soul in communion with Christ at His table."

6. Believe there is no higher satisfaction

Ps. 63:3; Phil. 1:21-23