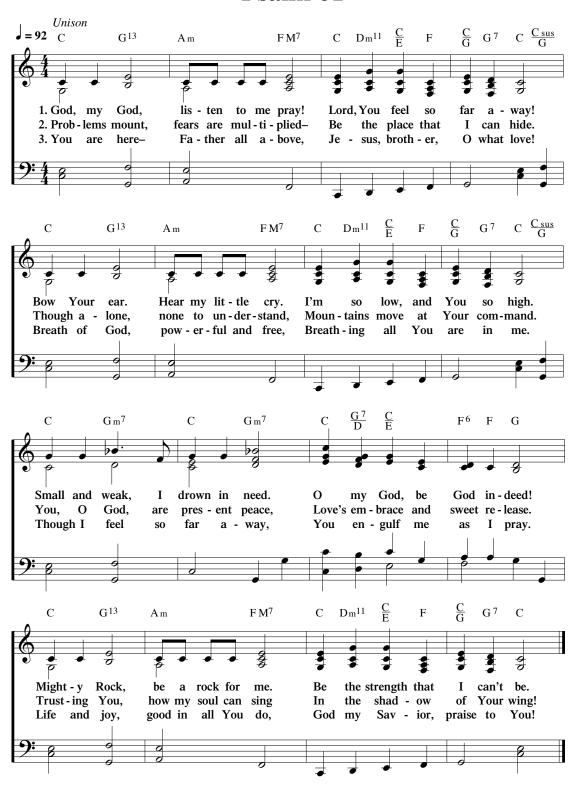
Psalm 61



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TOPICS: Assurance & Comfort; Faith; God's Presence; Lament; Prayer

LEAD-IN: Hear my cry, O God; Give heed to my prayer.

From the end of the earth I call to You when my heart is faint; Lead me to

the rock that is higher than I.

(Psalm 61:1-2, NASB)

LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

Reflection on Psalm 61

Father, I pray desperately,

pressured and pursued by an urgent need.

But the more desperately I pray,

the farther away You feel.

I remember, Lord -

I remember the times You answered me and

met my need.

I knew You did.

I knew it was You.

I remember the smile of relief and

the glow of joy

when I realized that You, Almighty God,

had answered my little prayer.

That memory reminds me to trust You now,

even when I can't feel You or

see You acting.

It reminds me that You do not change.

You are always my Father,

all-knowing and

all-controlling.

You are always my Brother, Jesus Christ,

who came from so far away to save me.

You are always the Holy Spirit,

the Wind of God,

the Breath of God,

surrounding me and

filling me with all You are.

O my God,

even when You feel so far away,

I am engulfed in You

completely,

every moment.

Praise to You!

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