



## French Skit J'ai Mal à la Gorge!

Doctor Appointment Skit for 2 Students

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I don't think we need to take a trip to visit the "ends of the earth." More often than not, they come to us unbidden and suck us away from God so that our hearts grow faint... It may be grief or guilt; disease, depression, or death; poverty, perversion or pain that confront us. But we find God absent, and our voices speak as if from the bottom of a deep well, with little hope of Gerald H. Wilson being heard.



## PSALM 61 Praying Far From Home

### PSALM 61 (NIV)

How Hear my cry, O God; listen to my prayer.

From the ends of the earth I call to you, I call as my heart grows faint; lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

For you have been my refuge, a strong tower against the foe.

I long to dwell in your tent forever and take refuge in the shelter of your wings.



For you, God, have heard my vows; you have given me the heritage of those who fear your name.

Increase the days of the king's life, his years for many generations.

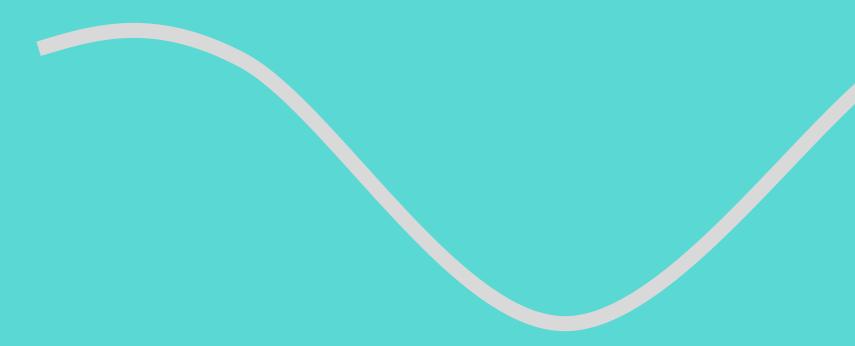
May he be enthroned in God's presence forever; appoint your love and faithfulness to protect him.

Then I will ever sing in praise of your name and fulfill my vows day after day.



1. Crying out to God

3. Hope in God Restored



2. Requests to God

1. Crying out to God (vv. 1-2)

"Hear my Cry...

... from the Ends of the Earth...

... my heart grows faint."

# "Lead me to the high rock... ... I long to dwell in your tent... ... the shelter of your wings."

2. Requests to God (vv. 2 & 4)

3. Hope in God Restored (vv. 3,5 & 8)

"For you have been my refuge...

... you have heard my vows...

... I will sing praises."



God invites us to:

Pour out our hearts to him



God invites us to:

Pour out our hearts to him

Ask for answers from him



God invites us to:

Pour out our hearts to him

Ask for answers from him

Put our hope in him



The secret and the miracle of Yahweh's presence are embraced in the vow but also in the king, who lives before the countenance of Yahweh and is the living representative of the rule of God in the place of worship."

Hans Krause

### David's train of thought in vv. 5-8:

Vow to trust (5a)

Inclusion with Israel's heritage (5b)

Blessing for Israel's leader (6-7)

**Worshipful trust (8)** 

**Individual hope** 

Collective hope

**Collective** blessing

Individual blessing



#### In Other Words...

Good things happen when I shift my focus from

ME -> WE

