

August 29, 2021

Psalm 120

The Psalms of Ascents  
*"Turning Toward God"*

INTRODUCTION

1. TURNING AWAY FROM THE WORLD

2. HOPE IN GOD

3. TRUST IN GOD

4. TURNING BACK TOWARD GOD

## Questions for personal meditation and study

1. What do you see as the “lying lips and deceitful tongue” of the world? What kind of misinformation does the world offer?
2. What did you measure against to determine that is *was* misinformation? Someone’s opinion? A political platform? The scriptures?
3. Pastor suggested that our discipleship is a pilgrimage, leaving one place and travelling to another. Does that picture of discipleship work for you? If so, what are we leaving and where are we going?
4. If our discipleship is a pilgrimage that leaves behind the world of “lying lips” and those who “are for war,” what does repentance look like?
5. Where does the pilgrim of Psalm 120 find his hope? How does the Psalm express that?
6. Read verses 3 and 4 again. What happens to the one who will not “go on pilgrimage” to God in His Temple as a way of life?
7. The Pilgrim says he has lived “too long” among those who hate peace and seem to like conflict. Is something happening to him living in that environment that is like living in “Meshech and Kedar?”