

# Quite a Gap!

August 6 2017

Can the Psalms get any better?! This Psalm may be my favorite, but I have said that before. What happens when God points at us?

## Psalm 103

\* Who am I? The passenger

My condition: sin, disease, the pit (vv. 3 & 4)

“He remembers me are dust . . . like grass.” (vv. 14 & 15)

This means we are mortal, frail and needy.

\* Who is God? The photographer

“He knows how we are formed.” (v. 14)

“The Lord is compassionate, gracious, abounding in love.” (v. 8)

GAP = GOD ABOVE PEOPLE

The theme of Psalm 103 = Sin & Forgiveness

which means . . .

Separated, fall short/send away, remove

The Lord bridges the gap with . . .

love, forgiveness & compassion. (vv. 11-13)

God invites you to walk across the bridge = fear (vv. 11, 13, 17)

Another message from Psalms pointing to the Gospel!

### Reflective Questions:

- 1) What are behaviors in others that annoy you? Why?
- 2) How do you respond to David's assessment of being human? Apart from God, what might we be tempted to do to make ourselves feel better, more available?
- 3) The main message is God forgiving us—What does that mean to you? How do you respond to God's invitation?



PICNIC IN THE PARK—NEXT SUNDAY AUGUST 13 @ 10AM  
Our 8th annual picnic & baptism is at Keizer Rapids Park Amphitheatre. What you need to bring: A lawn chair or a blanket to sit on, your plates & silverware & a potluck dish. Also, if your last name starts with:

**A-M—bring Salad | N-Z—bring Dessert.** The church is providing grilled chicken & hot dogs.

*If you would like to be baptized at this event, please mark “Baptism” on a Connection Card or text “Baptism” to 971.301.4008 & Barry will contact you.*