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INTRODUCTION

1. Waiting at an airport. What do you do while waiting?
2. Ps 27:14 worship is essential while waiting.

1st: For Whom Do We Wait?

1. Ps 39:7 *Lord, for what do I wait? My hope is in You.* v14 *wait for YHWH*
2. Focus on character of the Lord - v1
 - i. *my light* - 1Jn 1:5b
 - ii. *my salvation* - deliverance from death - Ps 28:7-9
 - iii. *the defense of my life* - military term: protection - Prv 18:10.
3. YHWH is the inclusio - v1 & v14.

2nd: Why Do We Wait?

1. We wait for situation to change - v2-3. On battlefield - wait for *salvation*
2. Challenge - to overcome *fear* & be *confident*

3rd: Where Do We Wait?

1. Where is David? v4-6 - *the house of the Lord* - a tent [2Sam 6:17].
2. This is instructive. David prepares for victory in presence of the Lord.

4th: What Do We Do While We Wait?

1. Worship - v4-6. *Beauty of Lord* - worship w/ mind & emotion [1C 14:15]
2. Worship: silence & song & Scripture

5th: The Prayer of Patient Waiting

1. v7-12 = inverse repetition of v1-6. A/B:B/A structure: warfare & worship.
2. v1-6 David prioritizes worship. v7-12 David's prayer. v13-14 an appeal

6th: The Priority of Worship While Waiting

1. v4a - David's one supreme priority - v4 [Lk 10:41-42; Mat 6:33].
2. Are we anxious for future? Worship anticipates future - Phil 3:13-14

7th: The Personal Presence of Worshipful Waiting

1. v7-8 - David is fully present w/ entire person
2. v8 - YHWH's presence - *Seek My face - Your face O Lord I shall seek.*

8th: The Pleas for Protection While Waiting Worshipfully

1. v9-12 v9 - pleas for cont'd experience of Lord's love
2. Aware of enemies: v10 - pleas con't. Embrace of YHWH's love.
3. Worship is our strategy for victory in war - v11-12. Taught in the way.

9th: The Preliminary Experience of Fulfilled Prophecy While Waiting Worshipfully

1. In worship, David exp's Lord's promised victory: v4; v5; v6; v10; v11
2. Worship is oriented to future victory - life; Sabbath blessing.

10th: The Appeal That We Wait Worshipfully

1. v13-14 v13 = David's testimony to us - do not fail to prioritize worship or you will despair, faint. *I believed* - the righteous will live by faith.
2. v14 - David commands: *wait for the Lord* [2x]. What does it mean to *wait for the Lord*? Make worship the one thing; the priority of your life.

11th: The Encouragement to Wait Worshipfully

1. Did worship make any difference? Yes - in David.
 - i. v1 & 3 - fear. In worship fear is displaced by faith - v13
 - ii. v14's exhortation *be strong & let your heart take courage* = commander speaking to troops. Worship equips for war [Eph 6:13ff]. Worshipers fight the good fight & overcome.

12th: Wait for the Lord

1. v1 & v14 seek His face; learn to walk in His way - v14 AMEN