

A Cause Analysis of Church Members Is Comfortable or Uncomfortable Dwelling in God's Tabernacle Based on Psalm 84:1, 2 and 4

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Abstract: This research aims to find out the cause of church members is comfortable or uncomfortable dwelling in God's Tabernacle based on Psalm 84: 1, 2 and 4. Four indicators are: the meaning of "how amiable are thy tabernacles;" "My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the LORD;" "Blessed are they that dwell in thy house;" The cause of church members is comfortable or uncomfortable dwelling in God's tabernacle. The theory result is the definition of words "how amiable are thy tabernacles" mean king David expressed the words because it has clear definition with Divine character in God' tabernacle (Agape) and has close relationship with the Creator; Definition of words "my soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the LORD" can be understood by knowing the context that the king David was chased by Absalom to be killed. Someone, who is in dangerous and recognizing God as his refuge, will long a peaceful and solemn place that is close to God. The statement of "blessed are they that dwell in thy house" means the psalmist understands the true principles of worship in God' tabernacle where actually the true happiness is not about how beautiful the building is but how God Himself is the true source of happiness. The cause of the church members is comfortable and uncomfortable dwelling in God's tabernacle are because of two factors, internally and externally. The internal factor is about the spiritual level of each member and the external factor is the worship preparation.

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