

*A few moments of reminiscing...* One of the things I enjoyed at Skylands was the morning hike I used to lead along the rim of the cliff on Lookout Mountain on the northern side. We would gather quietly (the hikers) in the lobby at 6:00 AM and depart as quietly as possible...down the steep bank behind the hotel, across the road, into the woods and the walk about 1 and 1/2 miles along the rim. If the day happened to be clear it was a spectacular walk...if it happened to be cloudy or foggy...then it was just a walk in the mist. But it was a good way to prepare for breakfast and while the walk on the rim was almost level the hill going and coming was another story. The hikers dragged into the dining hall for breakfast and, due to extreme perspiration, almost had to eat alone. With the collapse of my feet a few years ago I was no longer able to lead this hike and I think a few others have done it since. One of the most notable hikes occurred at a Believers Conference here when Bill King and I hiked to the big spring at the base of the mountain and nearly needed the medics to make it back. Great country...ideal for a conference and the fellowship thereof. And if one has an eye for it, there are a lot of blackberries and dewberries on the Covenant property to be eaten by the taking. *Just a few moments of reminiscence.*

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## **17. COVENANT COLLEGE (1996) LIVING SPIRITUALLY IN TIMES OF CRISIS**

### *An Introductory Note:*

This was a general study that developed out of a verse by verse reading of Psalm 6. I saw the psalm in five sections (1-2; 3-4; 5-7; 8-10; 11-12) and noted how the writer was dealing with a crisis situation and doing it as a person serving God. From that general base I attempted to apply the ideas of David's life to our own. The first message sought to show what a crisis time was and after that I wandered through the psalm. There was also in this week a "4th of July" message, the outline of which I will include in the appendix...it was based on Psalm 144. I think anyone reading these notes will need to read the psalm...I am not printing the text in this writing...and as with all these talks, it is the Scripture that is vital. But we need to know that the crisis times should not ruin us but help us to grow in appreciation for God's care and oversight.