

**Home Small Group Lesson**  
**Confidence in Complicated Times**  
**Psalm 131**

**Start It Up**

- **Opening Icebreaker:**  
\*What is one of your sweetest memories from childhood of your mom? Was there something special she did for you, or a special food she would make for you?

**Talk it Over**

- **Sermon in a Sentence:**
  - *Life can be complicated,* (v.1)
  - *...but we can be like content children,* (v.2)
  - *...because our hope is in the Lord.* (v.3)
  
- Read v.1. What are some of the most complicated issues facing your life right now? What the complicated issues of culture? How are people responding to these?
  
- Pastor Craig talked about the **2 simple guidelines to endure a complex world.** Discuss these and where you personally need to change:
  - **Attitude:** Respond with humility.
  - **Time:** Manage time wisely.
  
- As we consider complex issues like When and How to re-open the church, Pastor Craig talked about the **3 postures of New Hope Leadership.** Review these and discuss why #3 is so important and what it looks like:
  - *We will **obey God** at all times.*
  - *We will **honor earthly authorities,** wherever possible.*
  - *When we re-open, it will be with a **submissive spirit of worship, not a defiant heart of pride.***
  
- Read v.2 about quieting our soul like a “weaned child with its mother.” How do we do this practically in our world? In our use of social media? While watching news? Is there changes you need to make? To what degree are you allowing our current times to disrupt your peace in the Lord?

**Pray it Over:**

- Thank God for your mom. Whether she is living or has passed, give thanks to him for who she was and for something specific she did to bless you.
- Turn v.2 into a prayer. Pray that God would help give you a calm and quiet heart to trust Him the way a child does its mom.
- Turn v.3 into a prayer. Declare that your hope and trust is in the Lord.
- Pray for wisdom for New Hope leadership as they navigate complicated decisions.