

# Back to the Future

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### **Psalm 84:5 (NKJV)**

Blessed is the man whose strength is in You, whose heart is set on pilgrimage.

### **Psalm 84:6 (NKJV)**

As they pass through the Valley of Baca, they make it a spring; the rain also covers it with pools.

### **Psalm 84:7 (NKJV)**

They go from strength to strength; each one appears before God in Zion.

“Valley of Baca” – *baca* = weeping.

We’ve been through this valley together these past 18 months. What has God said and done to bring us through?

## **1. The Presence of God**

Worship and prayer

### **Acts 16:25 (NIV)**

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them.

### **Acts 16:26 (NIV)**

Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone’s chains came loose.

## **2. The New Generation**

### **1 Kings 19:19 (NIV)**

So Elijah went from there and found Elisha son of Shaphat. He was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen, and he himself was driving the twelfth pair. Elijah went up to him and threw his cloak around him.

## **3. God’s Heart for the Lost**

### **Luke 15:4 (NIV)**

“Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn’t he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it?”

**Amos 3:12 (NIV)**

This is what the LORD says: “As a shepherd rescues from the lion’s mouth only two leg bones or a piece of an ear, so will the Israelites living in Samaria be rescued”

–Titanic story

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