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Guidance for the Journey #10 of 10— September 9, 2018

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 - In what ways have we been living out our **family** identity recently? How will we do this in the next couple weeks?
 - How have we lived as **servants** to one another or to our world this past week? What needs or opportunities to serve is God asking us to lean into?
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- 6) Read Daniel 3:19-30 What are your thoughts on the outcome of the story? How have you experienced the result of trusting God in your own life?
- 7) Why is understanding God's love an important part of placing your trust in Him? Review the meaning of the Hebrew word *hesed* and why it is significant. Is it easy for you to picture God in this way?
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SEQUOIA NOTES

Today's Sequoia @10:10 Message...

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Shannon Landriault September 9, 2018



Psalm 25

 O Lord, I give my life to you. ² I trust in you, my God!
 Do not let me be disgraced, or let my enemies rejoice in my defeat.
 ³ No one who trusts in you will ever be disgraced, but disgrace comes to those who try to deceive others.

Big Idea: God can be trusted in all things because of His unfailing love.

- ⁴ Show me the right path, O Lord; point out the road for me to follow.
- ⁵Lead me by your truth and teach me, for you are the God who saves me. All day long I put my hope in you.

Trust God for your future

- ⁶ Remember, O Lord, your compassion and unfailing love, which you have shown from long ages past.
- ⁷ Do not remember the rebellious sins of my youth. Remember me in the light of your unfailing love, for you are merciful, O Lord.
- ⁸ The Lord is good and does what is right; he shows the proper path to those who go astray.
- ⁹ He leads the humble in doing right, teaching them his way.
- ¹⁰ The Lord leads with unfailing love and faithfulness all who keep his covenant and obey his demands.
- ¹¹ For the honor of your name, O Lord, forgive my many, many sins.
- 12 Who are those who fear the Lord?

He will show them the path they should choose.

- 13 They will live in prosperity, and their children will inherit the land.
- 14 The Lord is a friend to those who fear him. He teaches them his covenant.

Trust God in your failures

- ¹⁵ My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues me from the traps of my enemies.
- ¹⁶ Turn to me and have mercy, for I am alone and in deep distress.
- ¹⁷ My problems go from bad to worse. Oh, save me from them all!
- ¹⁸ Feel my pain and see my trouble. Forgive all my sins.
- ¹⁹ See how many enemies I have and how viciously they hate me!
- ²⁰ Protect me! Rescue my life from them!
 - Do not let me be disgraced, for in you I take refuge.
- ²¹ May integrity and honesty protect me, for I put my hope in you.
- ²² O God, ransom Israel from all its troubles.

Trust God with your fears

¹⁶ Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego replied, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you. ¹⁷ If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God whom we serve is able to save us. He will rescue us from your power, Your Majesty. ¹⁸ But even if he doesn't, we want to make it clear to you, Your Majesty, that we will never serve your gods or worship the gold statue you have set up." (Daniel 3:16-18)

Hesed (v. 6)

- ¹⁴ So the Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son.
- ¹⁵ John testified about him when he shouted to the crowds, "This is the one I was talking about when I said, 'Someone is coming after me who is far greater than I am, for he existed long before me.'"
- ¹⁶ From his abundance we have all received one gracious blessing after another. ¹⁷ For the law was given through Moses, but God's unfailing love and faithfulness came through Jesus Christ. (John 1:14-17)

The Translation of the Bible Scriptures used in today's 10:10 service are from the New Living Translation (NLT).