

## SEQUOIA NOTES

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

#### The Ultimate Invitation

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### The average adult will make 35,000 choices a day!

Psalm 27:1-14 (NLT)

The Lord is my light and my salvation—so why should I be afraid? The Lord is my fortress, protecting me from danger, so why should I tremble? <sup>2</sup>When evil people come to devour me, when my enemies and foes attack me, they will stumble and fall. <sup>3</sup>Though a mighty army surrounds me, my heart will not be afraid. Even if I am attacked, I will remain confident. <sup>4</sup>The one thing I ask of the Lord—the thing I seek most—is to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, delighting in the Lord's perfections and meditating in his Temple. <sup>5</sup>For he will conceal me there when troubles come; he will hide me in his sanctuary. He will place me out of reach on a high rock. <sup>6</sup>Then I will hold my head high above my enemies who surround me. At his sanctuary I will offer sacrifices with shouts of joy, singing and praising the Lord with music. <sup>7</sup>Hear me as I pray, O Lord. Be merciful and answer me! <sup>8</sup>My heart has heard you say, "Come and talk with me." And my heart responds, "Lord, I am coming." <sup>9</sup>Do not turn your back on me. Do not reject your servant in anger. You have always been my helper. Don't leave me now; don't abandon me, O God of my salvation! <sup>10</sup>Even if my father and mother abandon me, the Lord will hold me close. <sup>11</sup>Teach me how to live, O Lord. Lead me along the right path, for my enemies are waiting for me. <sup>12</sup>Do not let me fall into their hands. For they accuse me of things I've never done; with every breath they threaten me with violence. <sup>13</sup>Yet I am confident I will see the Lord's goodness while I am here in the land of the living. <sup>14</sup>Wait patiently for the Lord. Be brave and courageous. Yes, wait patiently for the Lord.

### In the midst of the uncertainty in life.

- **Be confident in who God is.**

Psalm 27:3

*Gaze at God and glance at your circumstances.*

- **Find security in your relationship with God.**

John 1:12

Psalm 27:4-6

Isaiah 26:3 "You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you!"

Proverbs 3:26

- **Choose to walk and talk with God.**

Psalm 27:7-8

Psalm 46:1 "God is our refuge and strength, always ready to help in times of trouble."

### How are we going to respond?

John 16:13

Psalm 32:8 The LORD says, "I will guide you along the best pathway for your life. I will advise you and watch over you."

Isaiah 43:19

Luke 1:78-79

*"When a train goes through a tunnel and it gets dark, you don't throw away the ticket and jump off. You sit still and trust the driver." - Corrie Ten Boom*

Psalm 46:10 "Be still and know that I am God!"

**Big idea: Accept God's invitation to walk and talk with Him.**

- **Encourage others to pursue the Lord.**

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