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Main Scripture: Psalm 9

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The Small Group Sermon Study

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Opening Prayer: Father, in Jesus' name, through the Holy Spirit, come and speak to us, teach us and transform us as we read, discuss and reflect on Your word.

1. Big picture: what did you like or appreciate about this message?
2. Read the key passage(s) of Scripture from the message and review the points from the sermon notes, then answer the following questions:
 - a. Describe a time when you have had evil done to you. How did you respond?
 - b. Are there any negative effects of evil that are troubling you today? Is there any way that the group could support you with that today?
 - c. Pastor Barry talked about God being a refuge and stronghold for us when evil comes at us. How is God one of these places for you? How can our small group be like a stronghold of God for each other?
 - d. How can we encourage each other to “run to God first” when trouble comes our way? Take time to share some ideas.
3. What don't you understand or what other questions does this passage make you ponder?

Silently re-read the key Scripture(s) from the message, asking the Holy Spirit to speak to you.

4. Verse 10 says, “Those who know your name will trust in You, for You, Lord, have never forsaken those who seek You.” How can your trust in God grow this week? What is in your life that you can surrender to Him today?
5. Pastor Barry encouraged us to choose, by an act of our will, to trust the Lord. Will you ask God to strengthen your will to trust Him more?
6. What verse, phrase or word do you need to take with you this week? How will you act on what you've heard?

Prayer: Spend time praying for one another (that we would grow in our love for God and others, that we would be transformed by what God has revealed, that we would be alert and obedient to God, etc.).