



TALKING WITH GOD

USING THE PSALMS FOR PRAYER

Psalm 16:1-4

Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge. I say to the LORD, “You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.” As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight. The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips.

Psalms 16:5-8

The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot. The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance. I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

Psalm 16:9-11

Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure. For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption. You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Prayer of Praise

1. An opening request (1)



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5-6 My favorite thing



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We praise most what we
love the most.

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11 My future



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Prayer of Praise

1. An opening request (1)
2. An opening expression of praise (2-4)
3. An outpouring of praise (5-11)
4. An opportunity for praise



David - Psalm 16:1,7,8

vs 1 for in you I take refuge

vs 7 I bless the Lord

vs 8 I have set the Lord

Peter – Acts 2:23-24

this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it.

Peter – Acts 2:38-39

And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.”

Paul – Acts 13:35,37-39

Therefore he says also in another psalm, “ ‘You will not let your Holy One see corruption.’

but he whom God raised up did not see corruption. Let it be known to you therefore, brothers, that through this man forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you, and by him everyone who believes is freed...

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Pray It:

- Pray this prayer
- Pray asking God to show you what you love the most.
- Pray praising Him for who He is.
- Pray praising Him for all he has done.
- Pray praising Him for all He is doing.
- Pray Praising Him for all He has promised to do.



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