



Family preparation for congregational worship on July 16, 2017

Our Scripture-Psalm 61 (ESV): Hear my cry, O God, listen to my prayer; ²from the end of the earth I call to you when my heart is faint. Lead me to the rock that is higher than I, ³for you have been my refuge, a strong tower against the enemy. ⁴Let me dwell in your tent forever! Let me take refuge under the shelter of your wings! Selah ⁵For you, O God, have heard my vows; you have given me the heritage of those who fear your name. ⁶Prolong the life of the king; may his years endure to all generations! ⁷May he be enthroned forever before God; appoint steadfast love and faithfulness to watch over him! ⁸So will I ever sing praises to your name, as I perform my vows day after day.

Discuss:

1. What is the prayer request in this Psalm? (vv.1-2)
2. What is David's motivation in appealing to God? (v.3).
3. How does David show His faithfulness to God? (v.8).

Prayer: Praise the Lord for His love. Praise the Lord for His provision. Ask God to search your heart and cleanse you from any sin the Holy Spirit brings to mind. Pray for a more Christ-like character. Pray for contentment with the material possessions you own. Pray for Tim and Luda Smith as they are on the mission field. Pray for their protection and the fruitfulness of the Word. Ask the Lord who He would have you invite to church this coming Sunday.

Memorize: (July) *You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore. Psalm 16:11(esv)*

Music:

As you meditate and prepare your heart for worship this Sunday, sing this song to the Lord;

*I must tell Jesus all of my trials; I cannot bear these burdens alone.
In my distress He kindly will help me; He ever loves and cares for His own.*

*I must tell Jesus! I must tell Jesus! I cannot bear my burdens alone;
I must tell Jesus! I must tell Jesus! Jesus can help me, Jesus alone.*

*I must tell Jesus all of my troubles; He is a kind compassionate Friend.
If I but ask Him, He will deliver, make of my troubles quickly an end.*

*I must tell Jesus! I must tell Jesus! I cannot bear my burdens alone;
I must tell Jesus! I must tell Jesus! Jesus can help me, Jesus alone.*

"I Must Tell Jesus", The Celebration Hymnal, #636, Word Music/Integrity Music © 1997

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