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The Lord is My Portion

Psalm 16

I. You Must Look to the Protection of the Lord (vv. 1-4)

A. The _____ will run to God and be satisfied (vv. 1-3)
[Psa. 11:1; 91;1-2; 73:25; Jn. 6:68; Prov. 27:17]

B. The _____ will run from God and will be filled with sorrow (v. 4) [1 Cor. 8:4; Psa. 115:4-8]

II. You Must Look to the Provision of the Lord (vv. 5-6)

A. The Lord is my _____ (v. 5)
[Psa. 73:26; 119:57; 142:5; 23:5; 116:13]

B. The Lord is my _____ (v. 6)
[Prov. 10:22; 11:4, 28; 16:8; 22:1]

III. You Must Look to the Presence of the Lord (vv. 7-8)

A. The Lord _____ me (v. 7)
[Psa. 25:8; 32:8; 73:24; Isa. 48:17]

B. The Lord _____ me (v. 8)
[Psa. 119:30; 109:31; 110:5; 121:5]

IV. You Must Look to the Promises of the Lord (vv. 9-11)

A. I experience His _____ (v. 9)
[Psa. 30:12; Phil. 4:6-7]

B. I evaluate His _____ (v. 10)
[Acts 2:25-28, 29-32; 1 Thes. 4:14-17]

C. I enjoy His _____ (v. 11)
[Matt. 7:14; Psa. 21:6; 36:8]

TAKE HOME

• Are you finding your ***refuge*** in God or are you running after the things of the world?

• Can you honestly say that the Lord is my ***portion*** and my ***cup***?

• If you are not finding your full joy in God, then consider whether or not you have honestly been in His ***presence.***

STUDY QUESTIONS

James 1:22 says, *"But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves."* These questions are designed to help you apply today's message to your life. We encourage you to thoughtfully answer these questions and discuss your answers with others. For more information about joining a Small Group that uses these questions as the basis for discussion, prayer, and accountability, please call the church office at (661) 259-2913.

1. Read Psalm 16:1-3. Do you have anything good apart from God? How is the Lord your refuge? How do you delight in other believers? (Psa. 11:1; 91;1-2; 73:25; Jn. 6:68; Prov. 27:17)

2. Read Psalm 16:4. What happens when you run after other gods? What are some idols of the heart that you are tempted to worship? What happens to you when you worship them? (Psa. 115:4-8)

3. Read Psalm 16:5. How is the Lord your portion? What does that mean? How can that truth encourage you every day? (Psa. 73:26; 119:57; 142:5; 23:5; 116:13)

4. Read Psalm 16:6. What does it mean that the boundary lines have fallen for you in pleasant places? How can you be encouraged by this truth?

5. Read Psalm 16:7. How is the Lord your Counselor? (Psa. 25:8; 32:8; 73:24; Isa. 48:17)

6. Read Psalm 16:8. How is the Lord your Comforter? (Psa. 119:30; 109:31; 110:5; 121:5)

7. Read Psalm 16:9-11. What is the Psalmist saying here? Why is this quoted in Acts 2 and Acts 13? Who does this passage point to? What encouragements can you receive from this?

8. Read the take home questions. Which one encourages you or challenges you the most? Why? How will you live differently this week based on what you have learned from Psalm 16?

"Everything without God is pathetically inferior to God without everything."

- Sam Storms