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DAY 06

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KEY SCRIPTURES

Psalm 5

David's Cry

God is able to defend us from the lies which are spoken against us.

Whose voice are you going to listen to? David was faced with enemies on all sides. Throughout his life he was fought by both his people, and those he led against. He was barraged with insults, but he was able to continually find his value, and his protection in God.

From his battle with Goliath through to his continually struggle with his predecessor Saul, David faced incredible adversity, but he found a way to carry on through the hardest situations. David recognized that by God's great love, he was welcomed directly into his home. That God would make his way straight, and that God was going to protect him from the lies of those around him. He was protected and uplifted by God, even when it seemed that everything around him was closing in.

God wants to be your safe place. Today, like David did in Psalm 5 we are going to recognize that God hears our request, and lay our requests down and wait expectantly. We are going to set God in the position of protector again, and take time to intentionally trust what He says is true instead of listening to the voices of the world around us.

When we pray we have an amazing opportunity to come into His presence, to rest in His strength, and to hear truth. David was surrounded by enemies and lies, but he knew that when he stepped into the presence of God in prayer, he was covered. That God's truth is greater than the lies of the world, and that God would be his shield.

Today we will take some time to take refuge in God's strength. To recognize that God is our great defender. That God hates the things which come against us, and that he actually desires to keep us anchored in his great love for us. That his great love brings us security, and makes our path straight.

REFLECTIONS

- ▶ What have you believed that came from the world around you and not from God?
- ▶ What names or identity have you accepted that needs to change? Take some time to give them over to God, accept the name He has for you instead. You are a son, a daughter, an heir.
- ▶ Where do you find your security? God wants to be a safe place, your defender.

PRAYER

- ▶ God's voice is the most important voice in our lives.
He will bring truth and guidance, but we need to be willing to listen to him above the rest.
- ▶ Let's take time to rest in His truth, and to focus on who He says we are instead of what the world says.
- ▶ Let's lay our requests at God's feet, and wait expectantly.