

## **Daily Devotional**

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**Theme:** Reflections on “The God-Centered Life”

**Text:** Psalm 105:4-6 (The Message) Keep your eyes open for GOD, watch for his works; be alert for signs of his presence. Remember the world of wonders he has made, his miracles, and the verdicts he's rendered-- O seed of Abraham, his servant, O child of Jacob, his chosen.

**Thought:** It is our hope that these past two months have been helpful to you in your daily attempts to see and recognize the ever-present hand of God in the ordinary settings of day to day living. Our ability to focus on the true reality of his presence is no small task. We each deal with the moment to moment distractions of our present circumstances and they tend to blur our vision, obstruct our view, and distort the picture of a God who delights in us. It is difficult to pause long enough to remember who we are and to whom we belong. Celebrating and remembering God's presence with us is a discipline that many times escapes us.

Just because the “God-Centered Series” is coming to an end, please don't think for a moment that the stress on placing God first is over. Continue to wake each morning in the thought that he is with you. Continue to see his beauty in all that is around you. Listen to his laughter in the voice of a child. Be grateful for his commitments. Invest your hope in his promises and extend his kindness to those around you. Even on those days that test your faith and in the middle of circumstances that bring uncertainty, remember that he is near. He has never abandoned you and he never will.

While God longs to hear your requests he also longs to have you with him where he is, doing what he does. His grace is extended through you, his forgiveness demonstrated by you and his glory is revealed in you when you join him each day. While this series may draw to a close, your attentiveness to his presence may have just begun. Remember you are his chosen.

### **Reflection:**

- What have you learned about yourself and God's presence with you during this series?
- In what ways have you seen God's glory demonstrated in your life or the in the lives of others?
- Take a moment and think about the unexpected ways he revealed His glory to you. Spend the next few moments expressing your heart to the Father...thank Him for his presence with you.
- Write down the names of friends, family members or others you may know who need to experience God's kindness today and ask Him to bless them with a greater awareness of His love for them