

Life Notes



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Day 1

READ: Joshua 2:2-7. Rahab had no idea that her life was going to change forever that day. She could have easily turned in the men who had come to spy, but she did not. She showed courage in a situation that could have gone very badly.

LOOK: In any situation you land in, take heart - God is with you!

JOURNAL: Have you ever had something happen that seemed to change the course of your life? What was it? Was it easy to trust God through it?

Day 2

READ: Joshua 2:8-14. Rahab tells the men why she had made the decision to save them - she believed in the power of their Lord! She had heard of His mighty works and very much wanted to be on His side. Life is always that way. We are either on God's side, or we are not. It is up to us to decide.

LOOK: As you go about your day, ask yourself if your actions and words are glorifying God... are you on His side?

JOURNAL: Have you ever had to stand up for what was right? To say or do something even though it was scary? When and why?

Day 3

READ: Psalm 27:1-3. David says that he is not afraid... even through evil men advancing or enemies attacking. He calls the Lord the 'Stronghold of my life'. A stronghold is a place of safety or protection. How amazing to be that confident in the Lord! To trust that in any situation, He is in control and he is GOOD!

LOOK: Look for areas that you can turn to God as your stronghold.

JOURNAL: How would your life look if in every situation, you turned to God as your safety and protection? Do you believe He can do it? Do you believe He will?

Day 4

READ: Psalm 27:4-6. David didn't just expect God to protect him... he also desired to know God. David asked to "dwell in His house and gaze upon His beauty." David's constant pursuit of God gave him a relationship with God. That relationship gave him the faith to believe and trust that God would be his stronghold through any situation.

LOOK: Find ways that God is revealing Himself to you throughout your day.

JOURNAL: List some places that make you think of God's beauty. What is it about these spots that draw you near to Him in that way?

Day 5

READ: Psalm 27:7-14. David sounds a bit frustrated with God here... asking Him to not reject or be angry with him. David's songs to God had both praise and frustration. When he was upset or concerned, he let God know how he felt. The final verse (14) David says to 'wait for the Lord'. Even though he didn't see results right away, David was content to wait. Be strong and wait.

LOOK: Find ways to encourage your brothers or sisters in Christ today.

JOURNAL: Have you ever had to 'wait for the Lord'. Are you in a spot where you feel like you are doing that now? How do you stay connected to God through that time?

Talk about it...

Questions & topics for conversation with your leaders, family & friends...

- Talk about a time when you had to stand up for what you knew was right.
- Have you had something happen that changed the course of your life? Was it easy to trust God through that situation? Why or why not?
- What does it mean to 'Wait for the Lord'? Have you been at a spot in your life like that?
- What does it mean to you to be near to God - what do you do - or need to do - to be close to God?
- Was there a time recently that you needed God but felt like He didn't show up for you?
- Was there a time recently that God really showed up for you and you felt His presence or guidance?

Contact Information

If you have questions or would like someone to talk to this week, email Josh at joshb@mission68.org. We would also love to hear your story - what are you learning and how are you growing closer to God and your MISSION family? Let us know by sharing with your leaders or emailing Josh.

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