

LOVING THE ONE TO WHOM YOU PRAY

FEBRUARY 2-8

GOD IS CREATOR

PSALM 19

The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge....

May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.

(vv. 1-2, 14)

DAILY DWELL

"The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands." Psalm 19:1



- 1. Can you remember a time when you felt amazed by God's creation? What was it like? What did you see and/or experience?
- 2. Do you believe God reveals knowledge or speaks to us through his creation? If so, can you provide an example?
- 3. How can you intentionally seek opportunities to pause and appreciate God's creative genius in your busy life?
- 4. How might acknowledging God as the Creator impact your life and worship?



FEBRUARY 9-15

GOD IS SOVEREIGN

PSALM 145

Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts.

They speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty — and I will meditate on your wonderful works....

The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food at the proper time. You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing.

(vv. 3-5, 15-16)

DAILY DWELL

"You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing." Psalm 145:16



- 1. How can the church effectively share and celebrate God's works with the next generation? How can you participate?
- 2. Can you reflect and share an example of experiencing God's compassion and love in your own life?
- 3. In what ways do you feel called to trust in the sovereignty of God in your life?
- 4. In this Psalm, David reminds us that God provides "at the proper time" (v. 15). Last month, we considered our need to wait on the Lord. This month, reflect: have you ever experienced a situation where you had to wait for God's timing instead of your own? How did that change you?



FEBRUARY 16-22

GOD IS FAITHFUL

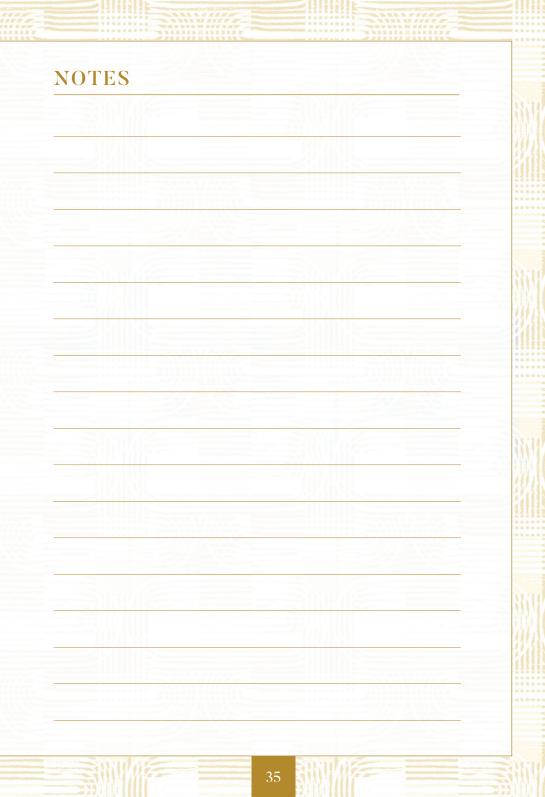
PSALM 86

Teach me your way, LORD,
that I may rely on your faithfulness;
give me an undivided heart,
that I may fear your name.
I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart;
I will glorify your name forever.
For great is your love toward me;
you have delivered me from the depths,
from the realm of the dead.

(vv. 11-13)

DAILY DWELL

"Teach me your way, LORD, that I may rely on your faithfulness; give me an undivided heart...." Psalm 86:11



- 1. In this Psalm, David portrays himself as "poor and needy" (v. 1). In what areas of your life do you recognize your need for God?
- 2. In what ways has God shown gentleness and kindness as he guides you to understand his ways instead of your own? How has he been faithful to your needs?
- 3. Even David encountered distractions in his spiritual life. What is causing you to have what David may call a divided heart before God? How can you set those things aside to focus on God?
- 4. God is a redeeming God. Can you recall a time when God delivered you from a difficult situation or redeemed something in your life? Was God reliable throughout that situation? How so?



FEBRUARY 23-MARCH 1

GOD IS JUST

PSALM 146

He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry.

The LORD sets prisoners free, the LORD gives sight to the blind, the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down, the LORD loves the righteous.

The LORD watches over the foreigner and sustains the fatherless and the widow, but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

(vv. 7-9)

DAILY DWELL

"The LORD watches over the foreigner and sustains the fatherless and the widow..." Psalm 146:9



- 1. Take a moment to write your personal definition of justice. Afterward, reflect on how your understanding aligns with God's view of justice.
- 2. Can you identify individuals or groups in your life and globally who are oppressed and marginalized?
- 3. In what ways are we responsible for caring for the foreigner, the fatherless, and the widow in our community?
- 4. The Psalmist reminds us that the Lord "loves the righteous" (v. 8). How can your life better reflect God's righteousness? How does that reflect God's idea of justice?