

## Lift Up Your Soul and Put Your Trust in God

Scripture: Psalm 25:1-10

Date: February 18, 2021

Message:

*In you, Lord my God, I put my trust.*

Psalm 25:1

As I write this devotion, it is still the Advent season. A time we celebrate the birth of Jesus. How different it is to contemplate Psalm 25 for the season of Lent, where we journey with Jesus on the way to the cross. Praise God we know the end of the journey.

Words leapt from this Psalm such as: *show me, teach me, guide me, remember not. And then I lift, I trust, my hope, Your great mercy, Your love, You are good, upright, faithful, Your ways, Your paths, demands of the covenant.*

This Psalm of David says it all. We have to turn our thoughts, hearts, souls, and minds over to God. He cannot work in our lives if we do not depend on Him every single minute of every single day. We are either all in or not.

God will and can use and grow us if we let Him be in control and if we follow those words I mentioned. We must also worship Him, trust Him, follow His ways and His paths. This takes time. Quiet time spent with Him in prayer, stillness, reading His Word, Bible Study, and worship. We will fail at times. We will sin at times. We will not be a good child of God. BUT God will forgive us if we repent and humble ourselves before Him. He will pick us up, dust us off, and set us on the right path.

Take time this Lenten season to spend time with Him. Journey with Jesus to the cross. Jesus holds us in the palm of His hand. He is the good Shepherd who takes care of His sheep. He died for our sins and then arose and is seated with God and will return one day. We have those promises. We must lean on these promises.

Lift up your soul to God and trust Him. Open your heart and mind and let God fill you, empower you, and strengthen you, and guide you. Listen for that still small voice. And then share that love and the message of salvation with others.

Prayer: *Thank you, Father, for your son Jesus. May our souls be filled with your presence inspiring us in words and deeds for the building of your Kingdom. Amen.*

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