

## “GOD IS LIFE” DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER

Our prayer this week focuses on God Who is *Life*. He is the One Who constitutes our existence. He authored our physical, mental and spiritual being.

It comes from our Prayer Verse: Psalm 16:11 "You will show me the path of *life*; in Your presence is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore."

Our encouragement from this verse comes from first understanding that God is *Life*. That is Who He is and how all things exist. He spoke all *life* into existence. All that we see in the universe and beyond, and all that we see here on earth, was created because He is the *Author and Giver of Life*. But *life* is more than just all the physical things we see, it is spiritual as well. When He gave man *life*, it was not just the physical being that God created, it was when God Himself *breathed His own breath* into man's body and soul, creating a being that not only *lived* and breathed upon the face of the earth, but had an eternal soul that was connected to Him and needed His presence for its very own existence. A soul that exists for the very purpose of knowing God and His great love for him or her. A soul that He desired to commune with and have a relationship with. Each of us were *uniquely* created by God to have this very soul so we may have this very kind of *life to live* with Him. A *life* full of His abundant power, presence and joy for everyday living. We need to understand that when we came into this world, sin separated us from this precious kind of *life* with Him, but He lovingly made a way through His Own Son, so we may have back this *life* that He intended for us from the very beginning. Let us pray that we and our loved ones will understand that God is the source of our *life* and that we will open up our hearts to Him, listening as He shows us the true path of *Life* through His Spirit's calling. Let us pray that we will understand that a right relationship with God through the gift of His Son is the most wonderful thing He could give us, and through this gift we can experience His *living* presence and fullness of joy that comes from walking a *life* with Him. Let us pray that His presence will bring us joy, hope and peace no matter what we face in this world and we will be able to say as David did in this verse "the joy of the Lord is [our] strength". Let us pray that we will rest in knowing that He has our future planned because He gave us *life* and no matter what we see or hear, His presence is with us and His purpose will prevail. Let us pray that we will let Him reign in *our hearts and lives* while here on earth until the day He brings us home to have everlasting *life* and joy with Him. Let us pray:

"Dear Heavenly Father, we humbly bow before Your throne in our hearts and praise You for being the God of *Life*. We ask that You will show me and ...

*(names of those you are praying for)*

the path of *life*; that we will understand that it is in Your presence alone where true fullness of joy lies. Help us understand that at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore. Lord, we believe You desire to do this for us for it is in Your Word. May we recognize our need for You and humble our hearts before your mighty throne. May our hope be in You all day long. Thank-you for loving us with an everlasting love and may it all be for the glory of Your name. In Your loving Son's name, Jesus, we pray, Amen."