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The Savior's Presence

Matthew 1:18-2:12



1. Read Psalm 139:7-12 and reflect upon God's immanence (His being everywhere we are). Why is this comforting? Why might this be concerning?

2. Read I Corinthians 3:16-17 and 6:19-20. What do these two passages of Scripture teach concerning the believer? What blessings are contained in these passages? What responsibilities are contained in these passages?

3. The indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit is God's perpetual encouragement to the believer. Read Romans 8 and write down every blessing and every promise that is ours to claim as followers of Christ (there are many)! For example, Romans 8:1 – "there is now no condemnation"; Romans 8:2 – "set free"....

4. Think of what makes you afraid. What happens to those fears when you look at them in light of God's promises that He is with you?

Connection Card Next Steps: Memorize 118:6

I desire for the presence of Christ to dwell within me and therefore for the first time, I confess myself as a sinner and receive Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior, wanting Jesus to be my Immanuel!

As a believer, I will meditate on the truth that the presence of Christ is over me, with me, and within me. I am "in Christ" and will use that truth to take courage for my current circumstances of life.