



Psalms 16 (ESV)

A Miktam of David.

16 Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

²I say to the LORD, “You are my Lord;
I have no good apart from you.”

³As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones,
in whom is all my delight.

⁴The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply;
their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out
or take their names on my lips.

⁵The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup;
you hold my lot.

⁶The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

⁷I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
in the night also my heart instructs me.

⁸I have set the LORD always before me;
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

⁹Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;
my flesh also dwells secure.

¹⁰For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,
or let your holy one see corruption.

¹¹You make known to me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

1. What circumstances in your life make you pray for preservation? (1)
2. What are some things people who are disconnected from God do to make their lives more secure?
3. How is David's prayer for preservation answered? (8-11)
4. Put into your own words the phrase, "I have no good apart from you." How might that look in your life?
5. Make a list of practical things God has done for you that remind you to believe he loves you. (5-6).
6. Read Acts 2:25-31 and Acts 13:35-37. Would you say David is talking about himself in verse 10 or about Jesus? Why?
7. Are the benefits of walking with God meant for our life here on earth or our future life in heaven? Why? (11)