

Sunday, May 17, 2020

Sermon Series: Honest to God- Psalms for These Times

Title: "Honest to God About God's Guidance"

Text: Psalm 23

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Big Idea: The 23rd Psalm is more than a simple, memorable, Biblical poem. It is an honest to God admission of our human need to completely submit to **God's guidance**.

What does this Psalm tell me about the priority of God's guidance?

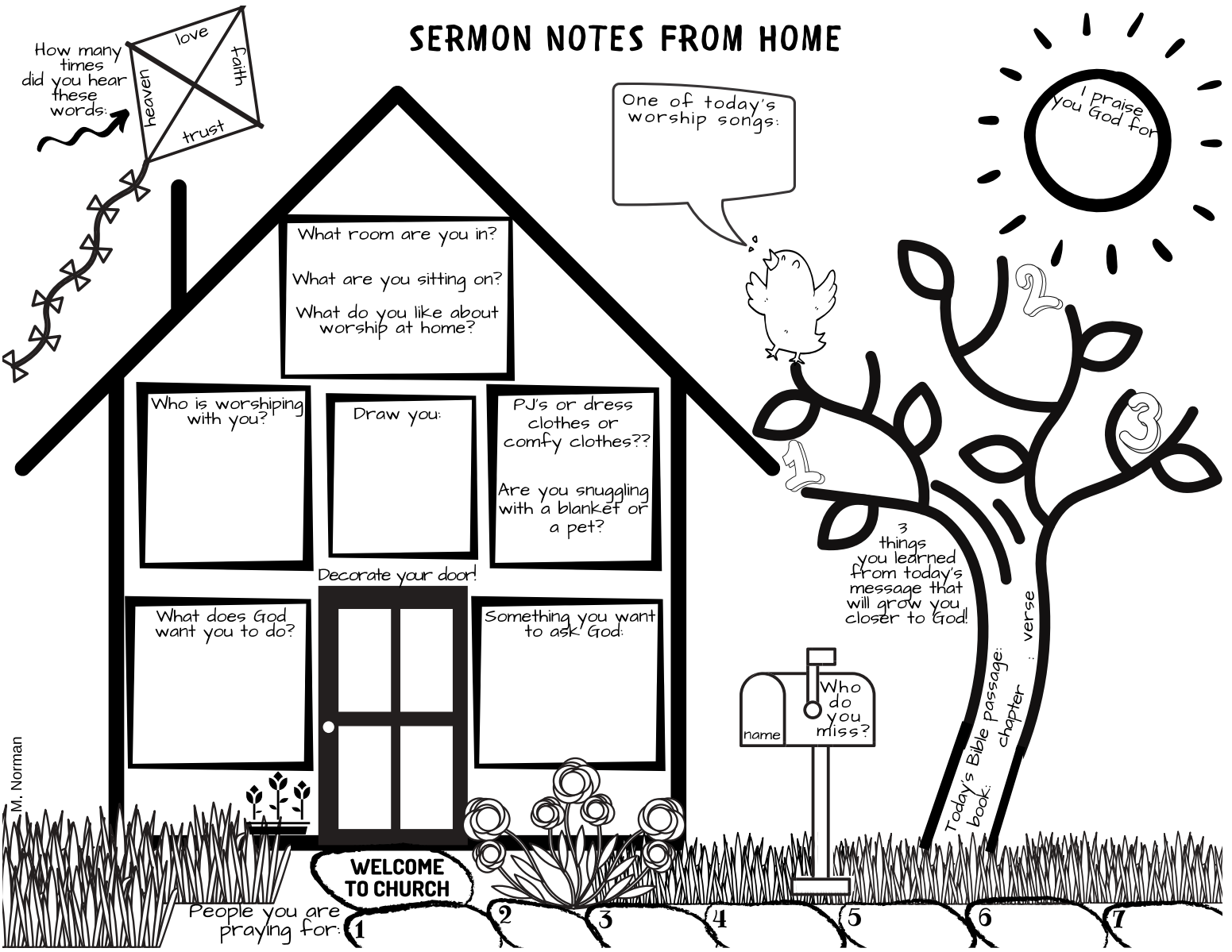
- 1) God's guidance is **very personal**. (vs. 1)
- 2) God's guidance frees me to **thrive**. (vs. 2-3)
- 3) God's guidance **protects me**. (vs. 4-5)
- 4) God's guidance shapes me for **earthly** and **eternal** life. (vs. 6)

The only way a "sheep" like me can thrive is by treasuring God's shepherding **presence** even more than His **provisions**.

Study/Application Questions:

- 1) During what general situations in my daily life am I most tempted to feel rebellious and "shrekky" against God's guidance? What are some Biblical truths that can help me counter those defiant tendencies?
- 2) Think of specific times in your life when God provided you freedom from fear, friction with others or famine. Take some time to praise Him for those experiences of hope, and ask for His help to shape those memories into greater future trust.
- 3) An "overflowing cup" is a reminder that God is a provider. Look up in a hymnal or Google the lyrics to "Count Your Blessings", then sing (or read) a couple verses out loud, and list at least three undeserved blessings from this past week.
- 4) Read Psalm 63:1-4 and make a plan for how God's promised presence can be acknowledged as "better than life" in the upcoming week.

SERMON NOTES FROM HOME



How many times did you hear these words:

love
faith
trust
heaven

One of today's worship songs:

I praise you God for

What room are you in?
What are you sitting on?
What do you like about worship at home?

Who is worshipping with you?

Draw you:

PJ's or dress clothes or comfy clothes??
Are you snuggling with a blanket or a pet?

Decorate your door!

What does God want you to do?



Something you want to ask God:

3 things you learned from today's message that will grow you closer to God!

Who do you miss?
name

Today's Bible passage: book: chapter: verse

WELCOME TO CHURCH

People you are praying for:

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7