

# Growing PRAISE

EVERY NIGHT...EVERY HOME...THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS IN LIFE

1 — 7 December 2019

VERSE of the week: Psalm 137:4

***“How can we sing  
the songs of the Lord  
while in a pagan land?”***

## TABLE GRACE

*(tune - Westminster Chimes)*

Hark to the chimes.  
Come bow your head.  
Lord we thank you,  
For daily bread.  
Amen.

## 5 POINT CHECK UP

1. Share your highs (good times) and lows (bad times)
2. Read a verse from the Bible.
3. What do you find “best” in the text? What is most confusing or hard to understand? What does God want you to do ?
4. Pray for one another (**P**raise God, **T**hank Jesus, **A**sk the Holy Spirit).
5. Bless one another.

THOUGHT for the week:

***“God's grace  
is often painted  
on the canvas of  
despair.”***

*- TD Jakes*



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## let's TALK

1. Gather in the name of the Father, Son & Holy Spirit. Share your highs/lows. Read Psalm 137. What strikes you as you read?
2. **“Remember” and “forget” stand out in this psalm. What did the Jewish exiles in Babylon remember? What did they ask the Lord to remember? What should you remember? Why?**
3. **Why is it difficult to remain faithful to one’s beliefs in difficult times? What have been your lessons learned that you can share with others about going through hard times & faith in God? How can we experience great sadness in a way that reflects God’s hand in our lives?**
4. Read Romans 12:17-21. What are some of the reasons prayer for our enemies is so **difficult? How does knowing that our enemies are under God’s control give us a difference perspective on dealing with their attack?**
5. **What do you make of the psalmist’s strong words about vengeance against those who have hurt him? Lament psalms often include a prayer that God would exact vengeance against those who do evil. Why is this better than trying to get revenge yourself? Forgiveness doesn’t mean forgetting or excusing. It means deciding not to retaliate and leaving justice to God. What wrongs are hard for you to forgive?**

### let's READ

Sunday	2 Corinthians 4:8-9	Thursday	Psalm 27:13-14
Monday	Deuteronomy 31:8	Friday	Philippians 4:19
Tuesday	Colossians 3:1-3	Saturday	Matthew 10:29-31
Wednesday	Isaiah 41:13	<i>BONUS</i>	Hebrews 10:35-36

## let's PRAY

**PRAISE GOD for holding us in his love  
when we feel unlovable.**

**THANK JESUS that he loves & dies for the unworthy  
to make us his own.**

**ASK THE HOLY SPIRIT to help you share Christ’s love today.**

## let's BLESS

*Make the sign of the cross on each other & say:*

**(Name), † child of God,  
May Christ’s arrival bring light  
to your darkness.**

Amen

