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Main Text: Psalm 25

Optional Ice Breaker

Give everyone a piece of paper, and a writing utensil. Have each group member write a brief story from their childhood. Importantly, make sure they don't write their name on the paper or use specific names in their stories. Once each person has finished their childhood stories, have everybody fold their papers and hand them into a reader. The reader will read a story, and the group will try to decide who wrote it (which is why it's important not to use specific names). See how many stories your group can correctly match to the people who wrote them.

The BIG IDEA

Following God's direction is essential to the Christian life.

Getting in the Word

Going back to your childhood, what would your 10-year-old self say if they magically found out what their future had in store for them?

Looking over the years in your life, when were some seasons that you felt very unsure of your future? How did those situations turn out?

Why do you think God only reveals tiny pieces of our future rather than entire chunks of it?

Like us, David often struggled to stay on the path God laid out for him. Take a minute to read Psalm 25:1-10. What are some statements David makes about God's control in our futures? Do you agree or disagree with David's statements? Why or why not?

Like David, do you struggle to find the path God has laid out for you? What are some reasons, this struggle happens to you?

Psalm 25 gives us instructions to help us follow God's path. Let's find the 5 instructions in this Psalm. One-at-a-time, have someone read the following verses then quickly summarize what God wants from us: **verse 1** (trust Him), **verse 4** (ask Him for help), **verse 11** (repent when you stray from God's path), **verse 14** (revere God as Lord), and **verse 20** (take refuge in God's protection).

How can you implement one or all of these instructions into your daily life?