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Peace in Christ

LEAD-IN: I am always with you; you hold me by my right hand.

You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will take me into glory. Whom have I in heaven but you? And earth has nothing I desire besides you.

My flesh and my heart may fail,

but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

As for me, it is good to be near God.

(Psalm 73:23-26, 28, NIV)

## LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

## **Alone with Jesus**

As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God. (Psalm 42:1, NIV)

During busy, pressured days, I used to dream of driving to work the long way, leisurely, unhurried by schedule. I used to dream of leaving work in the middle of the day and going to some pleasant spot just to walk, think, and drink in the atmosphere.

I've done those things now. I've enjoyed them, and still do.

But I've learned that as much as I enjoy solitude, solitude itself isn't satisfying.

Being alone with Jesus is satisfying. I turn to Him, and He is with me. I can talk freely to Him, person to person, or just relax in the silence and wait for Him to speak.

His presence is life's greatest joy. It's a gift He will never take away.

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