PSALM 16
THE INHERITANCE OF A REFUGEE

<u>Read</u> Psalm 16 through at one sitting. Do this three times 1 ___ 2 ___ 3 ___.

<u>Memorize</u> a verse of your choice from Psalm 16. *Say it* to someone to check you before the next class.

1. Who did you say your memory verse to? _____.

<u>Read</u> again Psalm 16 looking for evidences of a singleness of purpose on the part of the writer.

2. In verse 1 David, the author, asks for something. What does he ask of God?

3. From verse 1, on what basis does David make this request?

4. Use a dictionary and define "refuge."

5. What does it mean to you to take refuge in God? How do you do this?

6. What does it mean to have the Lord as *your* Lord (verse 2)?

7. a. What two types of people does David refer to in verses 3 and 4?

 b. What is David's attitude toward each type? (To understand verse 4 more fully
    read Psalm 106:37-38, Exodus 23:13, and Joshua 23:7-8.)

Read verses 5 and 6 again. (For those using the NIV, verse 5 should read "The Lord is
the portion of my inheritance.")
8. What is the psalmist reminding himself of in these two verses? How does this kind
   of inheritance differ from others?

Read again verses 7 and 8.
9. These verses tell us two more things God does for us. What are they?

10. How does "My mind (or heart) instructs me in the night" tie in with the counsel God
     gives? Why "in the night?"

Read verses 9-11.
11. What things do these verses affirm that God promises to David (and us!)?

Read Psalm 16 again.

12. Based on this psalm make two lists as follows:
    My Choices and Responses:
    1. I take refuge in God (verse 1 - example)

    God's Supply:

13. What step should you take to have the same singlemindedness David did?

14. Which concept from this psalm do you want to remember "in the night" and why?

15. Give this psalm a title according to content.

16. Pray through this psalm, making it your own.

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