

# Living Lent | Saturday, March 21

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## “Lean into Me.”

Today’s Reading: Psalm 105:4-11

*“Seek the Lord and His strength; seek His face always. Remember the wondrous works that he has done, his miracles and the judgments he uttered, O offspring of Abraham, his servant, children of Jacob, his chosen ones! He is the Lord our God; his judgments are in all the earth. He remembers his covenant forever, the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations, the covenant that he made with Abraham, his sworn promise to Isaac, which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute, to Israel as an everlasting covenant, saying, “To you, I will give the land of Canaan as your portion for an inheritance.”*

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### **Encouragement for the Lenten Journey:**

In the fall of 2022, my family was living in Woodstock, GA. My husband and I had normal jobs, going about business as usual. We were both 30 years old, at the time, with a two-year-old son in tow. As one does in the ‘new-to-parenting’ season, we were asking God a lot of questions. Questions like, “How do I do this parenting thing?” “Am I screwing up my kid?” “Should we move closer to family?” “Should we sell our house?” And the questions go on and on and on.

As I was asking ALL of my questions to the Lord throughout ALL of my days, I started to notice the one answer He was giving,

“Lean into Me.”...Weird, right? That isn’t really an answer. Yet, I reluctantly obeyed. Instead of asking questions and solely seeking answers, I simply started sitting at the feet of Jesus and leaned into Him and Who He is. And you know what happened? Every question my husband and I had was answered just a few months later. We had sold our house for MORE than the asking price. Colton had taken a job closer to my family with a God-fearing boss. And I took a job with a nonprofit ministry that loves the foster children of Georgia the way, I believe, Jesus does. Praise GOD!

The word ‘seek’, used in Psalm 105 verse 4 is the Hebrew word ‘baqash’ meaning, “Earnest

seeking”. The word ‘always’ used in the same verse is the Hebrew word ‘tamid’ meaning, “continually,” referring both to “uninterrupted continuity and regular repetition of an action.” Here’s the thing, we serve a jealous God who desperately wants time with us, His creation and children. As we ask all of our questions, He simply asks us to lean into Him. The fact is, God sees our life story written in ink; He has all of the answers set and ready. If we need to know something, chances are, we will know it...as we lean into Him.

Keep asking the Lord your questions. He freely welcomes them. But what He asks of us in return is to, “Lean into Me.” “Seek My face.” If you have hard, heart-wrenching, questions, cry in the Father’s arms; scream and throw a fit, if you must but in the end... Lean in, child of God. Because here is the truth...He, in fact, IS your answer.

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