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Psalm 25:13-22

In Psalm 25, David is really in trouble. His enemies are closing in. His problems are multiplying. He is lonely, afflicted, and distressed. Sometimes life is like that, isn't it? There may be trouble at work, conflict in the family, sickness, or financial difficulty. These are times to seek God.

David not only lays out his troubles before the Lord, he also opens his heart. He has sin to confess. David leans on God's mercy and seeks forgiveness. When our relationship with God is right, we can rely on Him for instruction and deliverance. In Psalm 25:12 we read, "Who, then, are those who fear the LORD? He will instruct them in the ways they should choose."

David had traps set for him by King Saul. He had done Saul no evil and did not deserve to be hunted down. Therefore David could plead, "May integrity and uprightness protect me, because my hope, LORD, is in you" (v. 21).

We can claim integrity and uprightness when we know God has cleansed our hearts from sin and His Spirit lives within. Even more important is knowing our hope is in the Lord.

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