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Isaiah 25:1-6

On vacation in western Colorado, we followed Independence Pass down into Aspen. Though famous for its winter skiing, Aspen is a great camping and hiking destination in summer. We decided to ride the chairlifts up Aspen Mountain. There were a series of five chairlifts rising all the way to the top.

It took some time to make the ascent, but the views were spectacular. We could also see storm clouds closing in. With no shelter available, we headed back down. We rode the first two chairlifts under darkening skies. The third lift, the longest, is where the storm caught us. The wind shook us, and we were thoroughly soaked. At the end of that run we spotted a small shack nearby. We ran to it and found it crowded. Everyone squeezed together and made room for us. Eventually the storm passed, and we made our way safely down.

I am not sure what the purpose of that small shelter was, but that day we were all sincerely thankful for it. Isaiah says that the Lord provides for the poor and distressed "a shelter from the storm" (v. 4). We should all be thankful He still does.

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