

You Will Not Abandon My Soul

A Miktam^[a] of David.

16 Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

² I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord;

I have no good apart from you."

³ As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones,

in whom is all my delight.^[b]

⁴ The sorrows of those who run after^[c] another god shall multiply;

their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out

or take their names on my lips.

⁵ The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup;

you hold my lot.

⁶ The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;

indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

⁷ I bless the Lord who gives me counsel;

in the night also my heart instructs me.^[d]

⁸ I have set the Lord always before me;

because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

⁹ Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being^[e] rejoices;

my flesh also dwells secure.

¹⁰ For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,

or let your holy one see corruption.^[f]

¹¹ You make known to me the path of life;

in your presence there is fullness of joy;

at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Single-minded focus on God alone (v1-8) ...

... because He is the only source of security and joy (v4, v9-11)

Application

- by putting our trust in Jesus we will be with this wonderful God forever