# MARINERS CHURCH



# God's Promise of Strength

Do not fear I am with you; do not be afraid, or I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will surely help you. Isaiah 41:10 (NIV)

#### How do I "wait" on the Lord?

"To whom will you compare me?

Or who is my equal?" says the Holy One.

Lift up your eyes and look to the heavens: Who created all these?

He who brings out the starry host one by one and calls forth each of them by name.

Because of his great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing.

Why do you complain, Jacob? Why do you say, Israel,

"My way is hidden from the Lord;

my cause is disregarded by my God"?

Do you not know? Have you not heard?

The Lord is the everlasting God,

the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He will not grow tired or weary,

and his understanding no one can fathom.

He gives strength to the weary

and increases the power of the weak.

Even youths grow tired and weary,

and young men stumble and fall;

But those who wait on the Lord

will renew their strength.

They will soar on wings like eagles;

they will run and not grow weary,

they will walk and not be faint.

Isaiah 40:25-31



"Do not be afraid, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them." Then Elisha prayed, "O LORD, please open his eyes that he may see."

And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw that the hills were full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha. 2 Kings 6:15-17

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you.

When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze.

For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. Isaiah 43:1-3 (NLT)

### Talk it Over! For my thoughts and LifeGroup\*

We've all had times when we've felt God strengthen us. Let's each of us talk about a specific situation when we've felt His strength.

Read Isaiah 40:25-31. What do you see here that would give you strength?

What does it mean to 'wait' on the Lord? What does that look like to you?

Read 2 Corinthians 12:9-10. What is going on here? Why do you think it says, "power is perfected in weakness"? What does that mean, and have you ever seen that happen in your life?

Complete this: "Right now I need strength to...."

## Pray for each other!

\*A LifeGroup is a group of people who are committed to loving each other and growing through times like these. For more information, connect with Pastor Len at len@marinerscc.org