FBC Sebring Wednesday Prayer Meeting – Pastor Matt Crawford

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Psalm 27

1 The LORD is my Light and my Salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the Stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

2 When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh, my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall.

3 Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.

4 One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in His temple. 5 For He will hide me in His shelter in the day of trouble; He will conceal me under the cover of His tent; He will lift me high upon a rock.

6 And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in His tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the LORD.

Prayer points:

- 1) Praise God for being our Light, our Salvation, our Stronghold, and our Shelter!
- 2) Pray that, when we are afraid or overwhelmed, we would not fear, but place our hope in Jesus.
- 3) Ask God for a deeper desire to see and know Him (v. 4, v. 8 below).
- 4) Ask God to use His work in your life to point others to Himself (v. 6).

7 Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me!

8 You have said, "Seek My face." My heart says to you, "Your face, LORD, do I seek." 9 Hide not Your face from me. Turn not Your servant away in anger, O You Who have been my Help. Cast me not off; forsake me not, O God of my salvation!

10 For my father and my mother have forsaken me, but the LORD will take me in.

11 Teach me Your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.

12 Give me not up to the will of my adversaries; for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out violence.

13 I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living! 14 Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!

Prayer points:

- 1) Praise God for hearing us and being our Help (v. 7, 9)!
- 2) Thank God that, though even our closest relations may abandon us, He *never* will do so (v. 9-10, 12).
- 3) Ask God to teach you His way and lead you on a level path (v. 11).
- 4) Pray for a heart of faith, patience, and courage in the midst of trials (v. 14).