Scripture: Psalm 33 CoF: art 13

Singing: 248:1-4 – 7:1-3 – 383:1-3 – 96:1-4

Rejoicing and Trusting in God's Governing Care over You

I. Your life story is written by God!

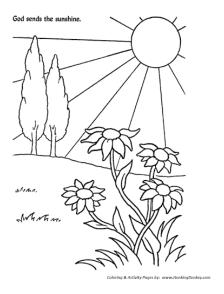
- A. God wrote the script of your life story (Ps. 139; 33:10-11)
 - 1. your life is an important part of God's big plan to glorify Himself!
 - 2. the Bible credits all details of our life to God: Job 14:5; 1 Cor. 4:7; Ps. 18:34; Prov 21:1; Ezra 1:1; Ps. 33:14-15
- B. Nothing happens in your life is without Jesus' involvement:
 - 1. Heb. 1:3; Col. 1:17; Eph. 1:11 (Gen. 50:20; Acts 4:28)

II. He shapes you through your life-story to be what He intends you to be!

- A. God is your Potter: Romans 9:20-23; Acts 17:24-27; Dan. 4:35; Ps. 145:16
- B. God is at work through all events to reach His goal with you: Gen. 50:20
 - 1. Meditate on; Ps. 18:35b; 119:71; 2 Cor. 12:7-10; Heb. 2:10, 17-18
 - 2. All aspects of your life are under God's governing care: nothing is random!

III. How to respond to God's governing care over your life?

- A. Be humble: Is. 40:13-14; Rom. 9:20-21
- B. Stand in awe: Ps. 33:10
- C. With repentance towards God: Lam. 3:26-27; 32-33, 39-40
- D. In faith and trust in Jesus Christ: Phil. 4:4-7; Matt. 10:29-31; Matt. 6:19-34



Think back:

- 1. List 5 things that happened last week that were nice.
- 2. Now list 5 things that were not so nice.
- 3. What did God want you to learn from the nice things He gave you?
- 4. What do you think He wanted you to learn from the not so nice things that happened in your week?

Listen:

- 5. What does it mean that God is your great and wise Potter?
- 6. How did Joseph think about all the things that happened to him?
- 7. God wants to see you respond to everything He does or allows. Mark the right words with **v** and the wrong words with **X**.

__ be jealous ___ be humble ___ repent from sin trust Him get angry admire Him

___ rejoice in Him __ ignore Him __ pray to Him

Reflect:

- 8. One purpose that God made you as you are and allows all thing sin your life, is to glorify Himself. What other purpose(s) does He have for you?
- 9. What would you say to your friends if they are sad or discouraged because they are sick and missed out the birthday party?
- 10. How will you use what you learned today about God's care over you in this week?