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<p>Theme: meeting needs</p>	<p>Date: 22 Mar 2013</p>
<p>Scripture: "Praise the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul. I will praise the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. Do not put your trust in princes, in mortal men, who cannot save. When their spirit departs, they return to the ground; on that very day their plans come to nothing. Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God, the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them— the LORD, who remains faithful forever." (Psalms 146:1–6 NIV)</p> 	<p>Comment: We are not meant to be alone. Genesis makes it very clear that man and woman were designed for each other and our marriages are top priority. Yet this psalm makes it clear that it is only God that saves and hence only him that deserves our total trust and praise. Sometimes, for whatever reason we don't get what we want or need from our partners. Disappointment can result. Maybe we expect too much, maybe they are just unable to meet our needs. In this event – how should we respond? How do you respond?</p>
<p>Prayer (as a couple): Dear Lord, I thank you for the gift that (partner's name) is to me. Help me to accept it when things don't go they way I'd like. Help me to trust you more Lord and to love the way he/she needs. Fill me afresh with the Holy Spirit. May my love be like your love for me: unconditional, unselfish and sacrificial and not linked to the performance of my partner. If my needs are not being met then help me to turn to you and not to lash out in frustration. Amen</p>	<p>Prayer (for others): Dear Lord we pray for and and for other couples in our community. May you give them a new spirit of unconditional love and acceptance of one another. If needs are not being met Lord help them to turn to you and to trust in you. Amen.</p>
<p>Final quote: God cannot give us happiness and peace apart from himself, because it is not there. There is no such thing. C.S. Lewis.</p>	

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Remember others will also be praying in this way this week. Together and with God we can make a difference.

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