

## NEW COVENANT CHURCH

# Each One, Reach One. Solitary & Safe

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### Psalms 68:4-6

Sing to God, sing praises to His name; Extol Him who rides on the clouds, by His name Yah, and rejoice before Him. 5 A father of the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in His holy habitation. 6 God sets the solitary in families; He brings out those who are bound into prosperity; But the rebellious dwell in a dry land.

While God rules over all, is majestic, and transcendent, God also pays attention to the smallest things and to every person.



## BLACKHISTORYMONTH



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### According to Psalms 68:4-6 "Yah" (Yahweh) is:

- A father of the fatherless,
- A defender of widows (all vulnerable people)
- Sets the solitary (alone, lonely, exposed) in families
- Delivers from bondage to prosperity
- Causes the rebellious dwell in a dry land

## In the Lord you will be SAFE!

He has set you in families: Blood family, "Reality" communities, Body of Christ (church)

God sees you AND He sees your family and community. God sees and cares about both, all the time!

Because we are ambassadors in Christ, we carry the heart of God. If God wants people safe in families, we want people safe in families.



# VISION / 1/2025 "Each One, Reach One."

# Life is not only about "I" – Life is about "we" and "us."

Psalm 46:1, God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea...5 God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God shall help her, and that right early...7 The Lord of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah

### Two Realities in a World of Dangers:

- 1) God sees persons, cares about persons, and loves persons. He knows each one by name.
- 2) He wants you to be the one who reaches the one. He wants you and me to see people, care for people, and love people
- 3) God wants you to bring the solitary into the safety of community.

- The danger people face is not only physical, but social and intellectual.
- If you become disconnected from your identity in Christ and from your community, you become subject to danger.
- Any effort disconnect you from your history is one of the "devil's devices."

#### **Deuteronomy 6:6**

And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. 7 You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.

...12 then beware, lest you forget the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage...14 You shall not go after other gods, the gods of the peoples who are all around you

Isolation distorts reality because there is no one to "check" you.

**Proverbs 18:1,** A man who isolates himself seeks his own desire; He rages against all wise judgment. 2 A fool has no delight in understanding, But in expressing his own heart.

# Outside of family and community, you will begin to feel that God has forgotten about you.

Isaiah 49:14, But Zion said, "The Lord has forsaken me, And my Lord has forgotten me." 15 "Can a woman forget her nursing child, And not have compassion on the son of her womb Surely they may forget, Yet I will not forget you. See, I have inscribed you on the palms of My hands; Your walls are continually before Me.