

The Weekly Message
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"Never Alone"

The graduation season is finally here. Students are gathering for final concerts, caps will be tossed into the air, and the flight into the future will begin. It is an exciting time. Yet, this cycle isn't reserved just for students. Life is full of a series of threshold moments: moving to new cities, starting careers, or saying goodbye to a familiar season. In these moments, the old wisdom rings true: "You are on your own, but never alone."

To be **"on your own"** acknowledges your agency. You are the one holding the paddle; you must read the water and make the daily choices to steer your life forward. But as the currents of change pull at you, we all need an **anchor**. An anchor holds us steady in the storms.

Our anchor is the deep assurance that **God is with us always**. The writer of Hebrews calls this promise, "a sure and steadfast hope, an anchor for the soul." (Hebrews 6:19)

When Moses stood at the terrifying threshold of facing pharaoh, God didn't give him a detailed map - God simply promised, "I will be with you." Generations later, Paul wrote, "Nothing - neither height, nor depth, nor anything else in all of creation - can separate us from the love of God." This love is the weight that holds us steady.

It is the assurance that while you are the one steering your course, you are not adrift in an empty sea.

Guidance isn't always a spotlight illuminating the whole path; sometimes it is the one who is with us and just ahead of us preparing the way.

Blessings,

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