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**The Lord wants you to live in His liberty and freedom.**

**Ps. 34:10** *The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.* (NIV)

I love the imagery of David as he makes a comparison here. The most magnificent animals, like the lions, grow weak and hungry. It is a reminder to us all that no matter how strong we think we are, we all grow tired, weak and not able to do what we would like. I'm realizing the strong athlete that once bench pressed 425 lbs. and leg pressed 1800 lbs. cannot do what I used to. But although my physical strength seems to wane, I believe my spiritual life continues to grow each day as I spend time with my LORD and His Word.

The key to this is those who seek the LORD. The Hebrew term for *seek* is **vedoreshei** which means *to investigate, search or seek after something diligently*. I wonder how much we truly seek after the LORD; or do we just drift along in the river of existence. The LORD is looking for people whose desire is to follow Him, dwell in Him, and finish the race strong. He wants us to grow in Him by seeking His presence and His wisdom. **Prov. 4:7** states *The beginning of wisdom is this: Get wisdom. Though it cost all you have, get understanding.* (NIV) And again in **Matt. 6:33** *But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.* (NIV)

**Dear LORD, help us to be passionate about our relationship with You. Give us the desire to walk in Your presence and enjoy Your glory. As we do, we will experience the good things that You have for us. In Jesus Name, Amen**