

# LIFE Group Leader Handout

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## The Prayer That Never Grows Old

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### **Scripture--Psalm 90 and Numbers 20 (Psalm 90:12-17 shown)**

*12 Teach us to number our days,*

*that we may gain a heart of wisdom.*

*13 Relent, Lord! How long will it be?*

*Have compassion on your servants.*

*14 Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love,*

*that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.*

*15 Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us,*

*for as many years as we have seen trouble.*

*16 May your deeds be shown to your servants,*

*your splendor to their children.*

*17 May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us;*

*establish the work of our hands for us—*

*yes, establish the work of our hands.*

### **The Prayer of Moses Unites Us with the Great Passions of the God We Serve**

Psalm 90 is Rooted in the Events of Numbers 20

- Miriam Dies
- The Anger of Moses Brings Strong Consequences
- Government Action Brings Personal and National Hardship
- Aaron Dies

Psalm 90--A Prayer of Moses, the man of God.

Moses Prays--to the Everlasting Creator God (vs. 1-2)

Moses Affirms--

- Life is Short (vs. 3-6)
- Sin Angers God (vs. 7-11)

Moses Asks--

- A Heart of Wisdom (vs. 12-13)
- Satisfaction in the Love of God (vs. 14-15)
- Significance in the Favor of God (v. 17)
- For the Next Great Move of God (v. 16)

### **Application--**

1. Looking at the context for this prayer (Numbers 20), which, if any, of the circumstances did you most identify with? (Loss of those you love, Experiencing the Consequences from Wrong Choices, Break-up of Teams, Government Action Brings Hardship)
2. With Respect to Psalm 90:
  1. What did you hear? What point in this message was most impactful for you?
  2. What do you think? How did this message challenge, change, or affirm your thinking?
  3. What will you do? How will you or your group put into practice what you've learned today?