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Opening thought question: Opening thought question: What brings you the most delight in life? What brings you the most delight in life? Read: Psalm 37 Read: Psalm 37 Spend some time this week meditating on Psalm 37. Turn it over in your Spend some time this week meditating on Psalm 37. Turn it over in your mind, looking at it from different angles. Read it daily and pray for the mind, looking at it from different angles. Read it daily and pray for the Holy Spirit to reveal meaning and truth to you as you spend time with Holy Spirit to reveal meaning and truth to you as you spend time with this psalm this week this psalm this week. What theme(s) do you notice? What theme(s) do you notice? What opposites stand out to you in this section of poetry? What opposites stand out to you in this section of poetry? Is there anything that surprises you in the language of this psalm? Is there anything that surprises you in the language of this psalm?

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