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It is truly our hope that you are adjusting to the new way of doing life, ministry, work or connecting with your family and friends. This is certainly not easy, nor is it preferable; in fact, God never intended for us to live our lives "physical-distancing" from one another. Before sin was introduced in Genesis 3, God told Adam that it was not good for him to be alone and created Eve as Adam's companion (Genesis 2:18 GNT). God's heart has always been for community and relationships. In many ways, this crisis is causing us to be very intentional about maintaining our connections as we amp up the communication and take advantage of the available technology to stay connected.

I am convinced that most of us will emerge from this crisis changed for the better!

In the meantime, we can choose to spend our days focusing on what we lack and thinking about how crises bring out the worst in people (*like those toilet paper and hand sanitizer hoarders or those who continue to disregard public-health guidelines and gather in groups*). OR, we can look around and see God's goodness sprinkled in the random acts of kindness and compassion strangers extend, the selfless sacrifice of our frontline workers, unwavering leadership and commitment of essential service providers, government and church leaders.

This coming week, be intentional about seeing the goodness of God in the circumstances around you and watch for glimpses of goodness in others. Recognize how many of the faithful prayers of believers around the world are being answered by God on a daily basis and remember who has come through time and again for you and for those you love. While we do not know for certain how or when this will end, we do know that we can trust the One who holds our future in his hands. We can find peace in his grace and trust his wisdom. He knows that we are confused and that we don't understand what's going on but he is not shaken; he has a plan and of that we can be certain.

Are you able to trust him with all your heart and to lean not on your own understanding? (Ref: Proverbs 3:5 NIV)