Date: **Podcast Worksheet** Keeping an Eye on Eternity: Encouragement for the Journey

Scriptural Text:

Psalm 5:12; Isaiah 58:12; Matthew 25:34; John 14:1-3; 15:18, 19b; 16:33; Acts 17:27-28; Romans 12:2; 2 Corinthians 4:17-18; Philippians 2:13; 3:20; Hebrews 13:5b, 6; James 1:12; 1 Peter 1:6, 8b-9; 5:10

Main Points:

- 1. God's plan for all of us includes repairing what has been broken.
- 2. Don't succumb to the temptation to give up on your healing too soon. Finish your race!
- 3. We do suffer for a little while, but the suffering is worth it because that is where God finishes his redemptive work in each of us.
- 4. Because this life is temporary, we need to keep bringing our thoughts and perspective back to the eternal and focus on what is ahead.
- 5. We will clearly see how miniscule our life on earth was when we get to heaven.
- 6. This world will never feel satisfying because we don't belong here.
- 7. Whenever we are in step with the world, we are out of step with God.
- 8. Jesus said we don't need to worry because he has our future well in hand. He will always take care of us.
- 9. This life is not the point; it is the prelude to the main event—heaven.
- 10. Your trials have a purpose; they are shaping you into the likeness of Christ.
- 11. Thought #1: Seek God's peace rather than what is easy or comfortable.
- 12. Thought #2: Seek God's joy, but not necessarily happiness.
- 13. Thought #3: Seek God's companionship, not the world's.
- 14. Enjoy God's promises: He will never leave you; he accepts you under all circumstances; and you have his favor.

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	rough the above scriptures and write out three that encourage you today: Verse #1:
2.	Verse #2:
3.	Verse #3:

Prayer of Response:

Lord God, I find myself so easily caught up in this world, overwhelmed and discouraged. Please continually remind me of the hope of heaven and eternity with you. And help me finish my race well while I patiently wait for that day to come. In Jesus name, amen.

Commitment: After prayerful meditation on this podcast, I am going to: