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PASSAGES:**

Comfort in Discouragement:
Psalms 18:2; 22:24; 73:26; 119:50;
Isaiah 41:10; 43:2;
2 Corinthians 1:3-4;
1 Peter 5:6-7

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Adán in the Desert

NOTE: This film is presented as a series in four episodes.

SYNOPSIS

As Adán struggles to understand the inevitable loss of his mother, his prayers of desperation begin to draw him into an honest and simple search for God. With the help of an unexpected friend, Adán is able to face his circumstances with the hope that his mother prayed he would find.

SUGGESTED USES FOR THIS VIDEO

† This is a film better fit for older teens as it is more abstract and symbolic in style. It can be used to discuss loss, questioning God, being honest with God, learning to be grateful, or finding meaning in suffering.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. What do you think Adán's biggest struggle is?
2. He says, "I asked for a miracle. I asked every day." Have you ever felt like this? Can you share the experience? Did you get the miracle you asked for? If not, how did you handle that?
3. Adán says that whenever he tried to pray, "Thy will be done," he would get a lump in his throat. Why?
4. What are we really praying when we say, "Thy will be done?"
5. When it's hard to surrender to the will of God, what do you do? What did Adán do?
6. The quote opening Episode 2 says,
"Here God and the devil struggle and the battlefield is the human heart."
—Fyodor Dostoyevsky
What does this mean?
7. How does Philippians 2:9-11 respond to that quote?
8. In Episode 2, Adán is really struggling with losing his mom. He accuses God of taking things away. Have you ever felt like this? What happened? What did you do? Did you resolve things with God?
9. How would you respond to Adán?