Day 4: Tuesday, June 24

"God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us.

(Acts 17:27 NIV)

When I was small, my mother told me the best way to catch a bird was by putting salt on its tail. I wish you could have seen me and my sister going into the backyard with the salt shaker to try and catch a pretty cardinal or bluebird. It never occurred to me the lesson that old wives' tail was trying to teach.

Sometimes the things we desire most of all are right within our grasp and yet they illude us. That longing in our heart, which gives birth to our search, can only be met through a personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ. Yet many of the people around us look for meaning through busyness, money, success, and even family, yet still have an emptiness that gnaws at their soul.

Luke says in the scripture for today that God's desire is that we would seek Him and reach out for Him. Imagine, our Creator, longing for a relationship with us. Don't miss the opportunity to tell others how deeply God loves them today. The scripture says, ". . . He is not far from any one of us." So, don't cheat yourself out of some personal, face-to-face time with Him today.

Forget the salt shaker, a bird-in-the-hand is worth two in the bush! Don't miss Him today.

<u>Food for Thought</u> – "The human heart, at whatever age, opens only to the heart that opens in return."