Monday, 25 October 2010 Psalm 32:6-11

Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him. You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance. Selah I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you. Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you. Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD. Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

Steadfast love does indeed surround me. I am enveloped in Your arms, filled with the oil of gladness, and covered with Your joy. You are a mighty God, a Prince of Peace, a Giver of light and love. Praise to You, my Lord and my Master.

Tuesday, 26 October 2010 Psalm 33:1-5

Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings! Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts. For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness. He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.

This is the Word of the Lord: it is the definition of righteousness and peace, goodness and love, grace and mercy, hope and joy, forgiveness and restoration, justice and kindness. Your Word is all Goodness brought to Your creation. Praise You and think You, my Lord and my Master. To You I owe all submission.

Wednesday, 27 October 2010 Psalm 33:6-12

By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, and by the

breath of his mouth all their host. He gathers the waters of the sea as a heap; he puts the deeps in storehouses. Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him! For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm. The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; he frustrates the plans of the peoples. The counsel of the LORD stands forever, the plans of his heart to all generations. Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!

There is power in the Word. You spoke and it was. You speak and it is. You will speak and it will be. Heaven and earth, life and being, stars and seas; time past, present and future. What was, what is, what will be. All by the power of Your Word. The breath of Your mouth brings being. It is Truth. Who can stand against it.

Thursday, 28 October 2010 Psalm 33:13-19

The LORD looks down from heaven; he sees all the children of man; from where he sits enthroned he looks out on all the inhabitants of the earth, he who fashions the hearts of them all and observes all their deeds. The king is not saved by his great army; a warrior is not delivered by his great strength. The war horse is a false hope for salvation, and by its great might it cannot rescue. Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love, that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.

All my machinations, all my scheming, all my plotting, all my conniving, all my ... for naught. To fear You, to hope in Your steadfast love; therein lies deliverance, there is life everlasting. You are the mighty King, the great Warrior, the rescuing War Horse. You are the LORD, God Almighty.

Friday, 29 October 2010 Psalm 33:20-22

Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield. For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name. Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you. Waiting is not my strong suit, Lord, impatience is! Far, far too much of "Here's where I'm going, Lord, You can tag along if You would like." attitude. Help me to be transformed into a waiting spirit, a soul that is content to rest secure in faith that You will provide direction for my steps. "Trust in the Lord and lean not on my own understanding, but in all my ways, acknowledge You and You will make my paths straight." Wait on the Lord, trust in the Lord. Wait! Wait! Wait! ... for joy everlasting.

Saturday, 30 October 2010 Psalm 34:1-7

Of David, when he changed his behavior before Abimelech, so that he drove him out, and he went away. I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad. Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together! I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears. Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed. This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

Praise You, Lord. My knee is bowed, my tongue confesses, You are Lord! You are Lord! You are Lord! There is no other god but You, You are Lord!

Lord's Day, 31 October 2010

Psalm 119:122

Give your servant a pledge of good; let not the insolent oppress me.

It is not the insolent who oppress me, it is my pride and fear of rejection by family and friends. Fill my mouth with Your praises, let every word speak of Your goodness, send me out to carry that pledge of good to all who do not know it. Help me, Lord, to be strong in Your service.

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Daily Meditations from the Psalms

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