Monday, 26 December 2011

## Psalm 110:5-7

The Lord is at your right hand; he will shatter kings on the day of his wrath. He will execute judgment among the nations, filling them with corpses; he will shatter chiefs over the wide earth. He will drink from the brook by the way; therefore he will lift up his head.

> The Day of Your Wrath is coming, Lord. The Father knows and has set the day and the hour, but not revealed it to us. Fire up Your Church to fervently carry the message of the love of God to all peoples and nations.

Tuesday, 27 December 2011

#### John 1:6-8

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light.

There is a man sent from God whose name is John.

God anointed John of Chester with the Holy Spirit and with power. He has been sent about to do good and heal those who are oppressed by the devil, for God is with him. [paraphrase of Acts 10:38]

Wednesday, 28 December 2011 Psalm 111:1-6

Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them. Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever. He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful. He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever. He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the inheritance of the nations. Lord, yesterday was an example of Your work and faithfulness to your people as Your Spirit led Betty through the turmoil involved with getting MW transferred from DMHC to a rehab facility. Thank You for giving her peace and guidance every step of the way. May the holiness of Your Name be evident to all.

## *Thursday, 29 December 2011 Psalm 110:7-10*

The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy; they are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness. He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name! The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever!

> Thank You, LORD God Almighty, for Your wisdom, given to me through Your Word. It is sufficient, it is necessary, it is complete for all matters of life and salvation. Do not let me stray from the practice that will lead me into all understanding.

Friday, 30 December 2011 Galatians 6:1-10

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. For each will have to bear his own load. One who is taught the word must share all good things with the one who teaches. Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

"Bear one another's burdens" and "For each must bear his own load" Interesting! Are You telling me that while I must be willing and supportive I cannot assume responsibility for another's burdens? The only one who can truly lift each burden from each of us is You. You take the heavy burden and replace it with the light burden of life in Your Kingdom.

## Saturday, 31 December 2011 Psalm 112:1-2

Praise the LORD! Blessed is the man who fears the LORD, who greatly delights in his commandments! His offspring will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Your blessings, spiritual and material, are as a downpour over me. You have drawn me into Your Kingdom through Your grace and mercy; I am redeemed through the blood of the Cross; You have set my feet upon a level path; You have sent the Comforter to lead me into all truth; You have surrounded me with a rich bevy of companions in the faith; You fill me with understanding; You have called me to be Your Ambassador of Reconciliation; You have provided a flock to shepherd; You have named me, "Child of God." Your Name is to be lifted up and praised for ever and ever.

Lord's Day, 1 January 2012 Psalm 119:92

If your law had not been my delight, I would have perished in my affliction.

This is the crux of my survival, to delight in Your law. To spend each day meditating on Your law and its preeminent place in my life: its role as the definition of the Kingdom of Heaven.

# VOICES TOGETHER Daily Meditations from the Psalms

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