

Monday, 26 March 2012

Psalm 135:15-18

*The idols of the nations are silver and gold, the work of human hands. (16) They have mouths, but do not speak; they have eyes, but do not see; (17) they have ears, but do not hear, nor is there any breath in their mouths. (18) Those who make them become like them, so do all who trust in them!*

The gods of this world offer a false allure of happiness and success; a cheap plating of glitter but rapidly corroding and peeling revealing the falsehood. Protect me, give me the discernment that can only come from You so that I can distinguish between good and evil. Be my North Star, always true and always available.

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Tuesday, 27 March 2012

Psalm 135:19-21

*O house of Israel, bless the LORD! O house of Aaron, bless the LORD! O house of Levi, bless the LORD! You who fear the LORD, bless the LORD! Blessed be the LORD from Zion, he who dwells in Jerusalem! Praise the LORD!*

Lord, bring Your people to a state and condition of continuous blessing and praise. That Your praises would be ever on our lips; that we would never cease from pouring out blessings to Your name; that our thanksgivings would rise to the heavens in an unending stream of incense to You; that our lives would bring glory and honor to You; that we would exalt the works of Your hands; and carry the evidence of Your grace and mercy to all the nations.

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Wednesday, 28 March 2012

Revelation 1:8-11

*And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!" (9) And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to him who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, (10) the twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and*

*ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying, (11) "Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."*

Holy are You, LORD God Almighty, You are Perfection, You are Light, You are Love, You are Creativity, You are Joy, You are Peace, You are Forgiveness, You are Justice, You are Righteousness, You are Hope, You are the Good and the Complete. You are my LORD.

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Thursday, 29 March 2012

Psalm 136:1-9

*Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever. Give thanks to the God of gods, for his steadfast love endures forever. Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his steadfast love endures forever; to him who alone does great wonders, for his steadfast love endures forever; to him who by understanding made the heavens, for his steadfast love endures forever; to him who spread out the earth above the waters, for his steadfast love endures forever; to him who made the great lights, for his steadfast love endures forever; the sun to rule over the day, for his steadfast love endures forever; the moon and stars to rule over the night, for his steadfast love endures forever;*

Your steadfast love endures forever and is manifest in all of creation. I must be reminded of that truth every time the sun rises or the winds blow. Every time a leaf falls or a bird sings. Whenever the rivers run or a flower blooms. The stars in the skies, the flash of the firefly. The great expanse of the mountains around me and the scurrying ant storing food. All speak of Your steadfast love that endures forever.

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Friday, 30 March 2012

Psalm 136:10-22

*to him who struck down the firstborn of Egypt, for his steadfast love endures forever; and brought Israel out from among them, for his steadfast love endures forever; with a strong hand and an outstretched arm, for his steadfast love endures forever; to him who divided the Red Sea in two, for his steadfast love endures forever; and made Israel pass through the midst of it, for his steadfast love endures forever; but overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red Sea,*

*for his steadfast love endures forever; to him who led his people through the wilderness, for his steadfast love endures forever; to him who struck down great kings, for his steadfast love endures forever; and killed mighty kings, for his steadfast love endures forever; Sihon, king of the Amorites, for his steadfast love endures forever; and Og, king of Bashan, for his steadfast love endures forever; and gave their land as a heritage, for his steadfast love endures forever; a heritage to Israel his servant, for his steadfast love endures forever.*

You, the LORD God Almighty, determined that You would redeem Your creation, that You would “buy it back” without regard to the cost. You sent Your Son, the Word, to become flesh and live among us, and then to become the Perfect Sacrifice for our sin. You elevated Him to Your right hand to rule over all things and to draw Your chosen into Your Kingdom. Praise You, the LORD God Almighty.

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*Saturday, 31 March 2012*

*Psalm 136:23-26*

*It is he who remembered us in our low estate, for his steadfast love endures forever; and rescued us from our foes, for his steadfast love endures forever; he who gives food to all flesh, for his steadfast love endures forever. Give thanks to the God of heaven, for his steadfast love endures forever.*

Lord, we spoke of that providential care last night in the prison as we discussed giving thanks in all circumstances. Your hand is over us, protecting us from far greater hurt than we recognize or even stop to examine for its existence. In many cases it is protecting us from ourselves and an eruption of the fleshly nature. Thank You for Your goodness to the children of men.

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*Lord's Day, 1 April 2012 Psalm 119:19*

*I am a sojourner on the earth; hide not your commandments from me!*

Help us to remember that our citizenship is not here but is in the Kingdom and that we therefore are constrained by the Laws of the Kingdom of God we are to follow them with all our hearts, mind, soul and strength and to love our neighbor as ourselves.

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*Daily Meditations from the Psalms*



*March 26-April 1, 2012*

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