Monday, 4 June 2012 Psalm 147:12-14

Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem! Praise your God, O Zion! For He strengthens the bars of your gates; He blesses your children within you. He makes peace in your borders; He fills you with the finest of the wheat.

Lord, cast Your favor upon that portion of Your Church assembling within the Springfield prison. Fill each one of us with a complete awareness of the working of the Holy Spirit within our lives. Give us the courage and the winsome works to take the message of grace and mercy outside the walls of the chapel and into the world beyond whether it it the living units or outside the walls. And fill each one with Your joy and peace.

Tuesday, 5 June 2012

Psalm 147:15-20

He sends out his command to the earth; His word runs swiftly. He gives snow like wool; He scatters hoarfrost like ashes. He hurls down his crystals of ice like crumbs; who can stand before His cold? He sends out His word, and melts them; He makes his wind blow and the waters flow. He declares his word to Jacob, His statutes and rules to Israel. He has not dealt thus with any other nation; they do not know His rules. Praise the LORD!

Your Word, a light to my path and a lamp to my feet, yes, yes, yes. But also, a solemn trust from You to me and to the rest of the Church. A trust, like unto the talents entrusted to the servants, that must be faithfully obeyed. Put to use, disseminated, proclaimed, lived, the seed that returns fifty, sixty, one hundred fold. I/we are the messengers with blessed feet. Let us not fail You, my Lord and my Master

Wednesday, 6 June 2012 Revelation 4:2-3, 11

At once I was in the Spirit, and behold, a throne stood in heaven, with one seated on the throne. And he who sat there had the appearance of jasper and carnelian, and around the throne was a rainbow that had the appearance of an emerald. ... "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."

Lord, an exciting word painting of the Throne Room of Heaven, rendered by the one who was the disciple You loved. And like a magnificent Rembrandt, an interpretation of John's vision, limited by a human's language to express all the glories that his eyes behold. So, I, as I read these words seeking to absorb and integrate the vision, yet like John, am reduced to simply acknowledging Your worthiness to receive glory and honor and power for You are the One without beginning or end and the One whose word speaks all things into being. You are the LORD, God Almighty

Thursday, 7 June 2012 Psalm 148:1-6

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise Him in the heights! Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all His hosts! Praise Him, sun and moon, praise Him, all you shining stars! Praise Him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! Let them praise the name of the LORD! For He commanded and they were created. And He established them forever and ever; He gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

Lord, all creation pours out praise to Your name. There is nothing in the heavens, on the earth, under the earth that does not proclaim the might and wisdom of Your creative Word. If I listen to the testimony of the progression of the galaxies; if I listen to the testimony of the smallest, most infinitesimal subatomic particle, all declare the glory and exquisite coherence of Your handiwork. The very definition of beauty is Your creation.

Friday, 8 June 2012 Psalm 148:7-14

Praise the LORD from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy wind fulfilling His word! Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds! Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! Young men and maidens together, old men and children! Let them praise the name of the LORD, for His name alone is exalted; His majesty is above

earth and heaven. He has raised up a horn for His people, praise for all His saints, for the people of Israel who are near to Him. Praise the LORD!

> You are greatly to be praised. Praised by all the elements of the weather; praised by the physical features of the earth, praised by all animals and plants, praised by man in all his embodiments and praised by the people You have called unto Yourself.

You are worthy of praise. You are deserving of praise. You are the object of praise. You are the

Saturday, 9 June 2012 2 Corinthians 4:15

For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

If the purpose of man is to glorify God and enjoy His company forever, then it is incumbent upon us who believe to extend the message of His grace as far and wide as we can. We are called to make disciples to join us in praising the Lord.

Lord's Day, 10 June 2012 Psalm 119:97

Oh how I love your law! It is my meditation all the day.

To meditate on the Law of God all the day is to keep it foremost in my mind as I travel through the day that the Lord has ordained for me; to allow it to be the former of my thoughts, words and actions; to ensure that it speaks through the Holy Spirit to my conscience and that the ears of my heart are attentive and responsive. Either to listen and obey or to ignore and disobey; the choice is mine, the power to be obedient has been granted to me through the Cross. Thank You, Lord.

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