Monday, 2 September 2013

2 Timothy 3:16-17

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.

All Scripture is a precious gift to me, furnished by God to be my shield and my weapon, my guide and my light, my comfort and my encourager. Praise You, LORD, God Almighty, for Your goodness to the children of man.

Tuesday, 3 September 2013

Psalm 59:1-2

To the choirmaster: according to Do Not Destroy. A Miktam of David, when Saul sent men to watch his house in order to kill him. Deliver me from my enemies, O my God; protect me from those who rise up against me; deliver me from those who work evil, and save me from bloodthirsty men.

Lord, my enemies are not men sent to kill or even harass me, but those sly minions of the Evil One: doubt, lust, greed, covetousness, jealousness, the list goes on and their names are Legion. Yet the answers are plain in Your Word: "Let the praise of God be ever in my mouth and a two-edged sword in my hands" (Psalm 149:6-paraphrased) and "I have stored Your Word in my heart that I might not sin against thee." (Psalm 119:11). Through the power of the Holy Spirit, these statements are true and active.

Wednesday, 4 September 2013

Psalm 59:3-4a

For behold, they lie in wait for my life; fierce men stir up strife

against me. For no transgression or sin of mine, O LORD, (4) for no fault of mine, they run and make ready.

Those enemies that I struggle with, the false affections, are through faults of mine; they are the result of my willingness to elevate myself to the place of my god. Forgive me, Lord, and transform me into Your likeness.

Thursday, 5 September 2013 Psalm 59:4b-10

Awake, come to meet me, and see! You, LORD God of hosts, are God of Israel. Rouse yourself to punish all the nations; spare none of those who treacherously plot evil. Selah Each evening they come back, howling like dogs and prowling about the city. There they are, bellowing with their mouths with swords in their lips-- for "Who," they think, "will hear us?" But you, O LORD, laugh at them; you hold all the nations in derision. O my Strength, I will watch for you, for you, O God, are my fortress. My God in his steadfast love will meet me; God will let me look in triumph on my enemies.

We stand together in our hatred of these false affections. These sins of the heart befoul my relationship with You and cause me to stumble and to stumble others. Smite them Lord, remove them from me purify my heart and lead me in the Way Everlasting.

Friday, 6 September 2013 Psalm 59:11-13

Kill them not, lest my people forget; make them totter by your power and bring them down, O Lord, our shield! For the sin of their mouths, the words of their lips, let them be trapped in their pride. For the cursing and lies that they utter, (13) consume them in wrath; consume them till they are no more, that they may know that God rules over Jacob to the ends of

the earth. Selah

Lord, use me to demonstrate the transforming power of Your love. Let all who knew me see that You have created a new man in You, that those areas of my life, formerly consumed by jealousy, lust, covetousness and greed have been changed into a passion for You and Your Kingdom.

Saturday, 7 September 2013

Psalm 59:14-17

Each evening they come back, howling like dogs and prowling about the city. They wander about for food and growl if they do not get their fill. But I will sing of your strength; I will sing aloud of your steadfast love in the morning. For you have been to me a fortress and a refuge in the day of my distress. O my Strength, I will sing praises to you, for you, O God, are my fortress, the God who shows me steadfast love.

You are my Strength, let Your praises be ever in my mouth and on my lips, let every action and deed bring glory to Your Name and shame to Your enemies. That I would be nothing but a conduit of Your power, love and mercy.

Lord's Day, 8 September 2013 Psalm 119:66

Teach me good judgment and knowledge, for I believe in your commandments.

My prayer for my brother, that he will be filled with the good judgment and knowledge that comes from You, knowing exactly how to proceed through all the thickets the Evil One places in his path.

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