Monday, 1 December 2014

Matthew 5:43-44

"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you,"

Lord, I have to remember that my enemy is not necessarily someone who is actively seeking to harm me through persecution but includes those who distrust me and accuse me of wrongful motivation. Lord, Help me to pray continuously for healing of relationships, especially relationships within the Body.

Tuesday, 2 December 2014

Psalm 125:1-2

A Song of Ascents. Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever. As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his people, from this time forth and forevermore.

This picture, Lord, of Mount Zion which cannot be moved and surrounded by rock solid mountains, is a picture of totally impregnable protection. How You surround your people! How You cover Your people! You are our shield and protector. May we never forget.

Wednesday, 3 December 2014 Psalm 125:3

For the scepter of wickedness shall not rest on the land allotted to the righteous, lest the righteous stretch out their hands to do wrong.

Lord, I pray for that the shield of protection includes a shield against willful sin on the part of Your Body. Keep us from gossip, from malicious conversation, from inattention to prayer, from self-will that causes us to do before prayer. Lord, keep us on our knees.

Thursday, 4 December 2014 Psalm 125:4

Do good, O LORD, to those who are good, and to those who are upright in their hearts!

Lord, that we, as a congregation of believers, keep our eyes focused on You and devote ourselves to those good works that You chose for us from before the beginning of time. Do not allow the attacks of the Evil One to distract us form our calling to make disciples.

Friday, 5 December 2014 Psalm 125:5

But those who turn aside to their crooked ways the LORD will lead away with evildoers! Peace be upon Israel!

Lord, maintain the unity of the Spirit among Your people; maintain a fervor to persist in prayer and faith in Your ultimate benefice. Strip away those who deliberately stray from obedience to Your Word. Lord, I pray that Your Shalom will be the blanket covering our community.

Saturday, 6 December 2014

Psalm 119:66

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

What good is it to say I believe if I don't follow? Lack of understanding is a poor excuse if I have not been diligent in searching the Word. And searching the Word is not futile if I am not listening for the quiet, still voice of the Holy Spirit.

Lord's Day, 7 December 2014 Psalm 119:75

I know, O LORD, that your rules are righteous, and that in faithfulness you have afflicted me.

You trim and prune me, shaping me into the form, the image that Your desire. I know and accept that those afflictions are being used to transform me from one degree of glory to another. Lord, teach me to revel in the discipline for You are using it to declare to the world that You are King of Kings and Lord of Lords. My reason for being is to demonstrate Your glory and praise Your Name forever.

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