

Monday, 22 December 2014

Ephesians 6:18b-19

To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel,

Lord, You direct me to keep alert and to persevere in making supplication for all the saints, but I am so easily distracted. I want to be obedient, I want to pray without ceasing, but I fail and fail miserably. Help me, Lord Jesus.

Psalm 129:1-4

A Song of Ascents. *"Greatly have they afflicted me from my youth"— let Israel now say—"Greatly have they afflicted me from my youth, yet they have not prevailed against me. The plowers plowed upon my back; they made long their furrows." The LORD is righteous; he has cut the cords of the wicked.*

Amazing, simply amazing, Lord, how You have protected me from assault. Many times it is something that I have recognized only in retrospect that Your Hand was a shield about me. Your righteousness abounds.

Wednesday, 24 December 2014

Psalm 129:5-8

May all who hate Zion be put to shame and turned backward! Let them be like the grass on the housetops, which withers before it grows up, with which the reaper does not fill his hand nor the binder of sheaves his arms, nor do those who pass by say, "The blessing of the LORD be upon you! We bless you in the name of the LORD!"

Lord, You instruct me to pray for those who curse and

prosecute Your people; sometimes that is exceedingly difficult. However, difficult or not, it is my duty to pray for the salvation of those who hate those whom You have called. Another part of the unceasing prayer task.

Thursday, 25 December 2014

Hebrews 4:14-16

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Draw near the throne of grace—draw near to God and He will draw near to you (James 4:8). Draw near with confidence knowing that we will receive mercy and find help. We have an intercessor at the right hand of the LORD, God, the Almighty, who has been tempted as we are. Hallelujah!

Friday, 26 December 2014

Psalm 130:1-2

A Song of Ascents. *Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD! O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!*

Lord, I lift up the parents and grandparents of Zoe Hope who are making a decision to take her off life support. A bright flame for a few days and soon to be in Your presence. Comfort those who remain behind. I lift up dear friends, spiritual children, who are facing a continuing barrage of challenges. Keep them strong in You and lead them to healing and peace. I lift up a

daughter and son, both suffering from physical ailments that are not responding to treatment, praying for their healing in all aspects.

Saturday, 27 December 2014

Psalm 130:3-4

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

Lord, let not the sins of the father be visited upon my children. Let an impenetrable wall stand between them and my sins. As You have, in Your grace and mercy, forgiven me, let that same grace and mercy be theirs.

Lord's Day, 28 December 2014

Psalm 119:101

I hold back my feet from every evil way, in order to keep your word.

I hold my feet back from some evil ways but I do not hold them back from every evil way. If I subtract some from every, the difference is self-will. The force that reduces that difference is the continuously transforming power of the Holy Spirit working in me. Praise You, Lord and Savior.

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