Monday, 2 February 2015

Psalm 136:23-25

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.

> It was You, my Lord Jesus Christ, who said in Matthew 6:33 "But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you." True then, true today, true tomorrow.. The question was then and still is today, do Your disciples trust You to be faithful to Your promise? YOUR STEADFAST LOVE ENDURES FOREVER!

Tuesday, 3 February 2015 Psalm 136:26

Give thanks to the God of heaven, for his steadfast love endures forever.

Thank You, LORD God Almighty. The LORD God of all creation. The LORD God who was and is and will be. The LORD God who causes all and controls all. The LORD God who is the definition of justice, righteousness, mercy, truth, goodness, love and grace. The LORD God who is light and in whom is no darkness at all. Praise You, LORD God, your steadfast love endures forever.

Wednesday, 4 February 2015 Revelation 6:9-11, 15-17

When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the witness they had borne. They cried out with a loud voice, "O Sovereign Lord, holy and true, how long before you will judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" Then they were each given a white robe and told to rest a little longer, until the number of their fellow servants and their brothers should be complete, who were to be killed as they themselves had been... Then the kings of the earth and the great ones and the generals and the rich and the powerful, and everyone, slave and free, hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains, calling to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb, for the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?"

> The last 100 years, a century in which more of Your people have paid the ultimate witness than in any 100 year period in the history of the faith. How much longer, LORD, until Your plan is complete? Give me the strength and will to be as true to You as those thousands who have gone before if I am called to do likewise.

Thursday, 5 February 2015 Psalm 137:1-3

By the waters of Babylon, there we sat down and wept, when we remembered Zion. On the willows there we hung up our lyres. For there our captors required of us songs, and our tormentors, mirth, saying, "Sing us one of the songs of Zion!"

When I give in to the fear that someone will ridicule y faith, isn't that a form of captivity? Isn't that a set of manacles that the Evil One has forged and clamped on me to prevent my witness? A straitjacket of shame to tie my tongue? Fill me with boldness, Lord, boldness to declare Truth and Love and Mercy and Grace. Boldness to declare that You died for all sinners while we were yet in our sin. Boldness to declare that You hate sin so much You gave Your life to absolve me of all sin. Give me boldness, Lord.

Friday, 6 February 2015 Psalm 137:4-6

How shall we sing the LORD's song in a foreign land? If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget its skill! Let my tongue stick to the roof of my mouth, if I do not remember you, if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy!

I forget. Lord, that I am in a foreign land. I forget that my citizenship is in the Kingdom of God and not the Kingdom of Man. I forget that I a called to be an ambassador of

reconciliation in the USA; that I have ambassadorial duties, powers and responsibilities. I forget that I am not a citizen here but a guest in a foreign land. Forgive me, Lord and continue the transformation ala Romans 12:1-2

Saturday, 7 February 2015 Psalm 137:7-9

Remember, O LORD, against the Edomites the day of Jerusalem, how they said, "Lay it bare, lay it bare, down to its foundations!" O daughter of Babylon, doomed to be destroyed, blessed shall he be who repays you with what you have done to us! Blessed shall he be who takes your little ones and dashes them against the rock!

> Romans 12:19 "Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." and Luke 6:28 "bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you."

I am called to obey these two commandments but also to pray, "Come, Lord Jesus, come for the blood of Your martyred saints cry out."

Lord's Day, 8 February 2015 Psalm 119:143

Trouble and anguish have found me out, but your commandments are my delight.

Even though life does not follow the path I think it should, that frequently my best laid plans come to naught, others do not see the logic and beauty of my reasoning, and the results of a project are disappointing, even then, You are with me. Oh, that I would remember to turn to You and Your word for solace and guidance.

Or better yet, to turn to You for guidance before I set out on my best laid plans.

Thank You that You always walk with me through the consequences of my best laid plans.

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