

Monday, 6 April 2015

Psalm 147:7-9

Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre! He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth; he makes grass grow on the hills. He gives to the beasts their food, and to the young ravens that cry.

Lord, why do I complain about Your bounty? Too hot! Too cold! Too wet! Too dry! Too, too, too!! Am I never satisfied? Can I never be obedient and give thanks in all circumstances? Why cannot I look at the circumstances that irritate me and search out the blessing that is connected and revealed? All things in their season are evidence of Your blessing to and love for Your creation.

Tuesday, 7 April 2015

Psalm 147:10-11

His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the legs of a man, but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

Strange, Lord, how man respects and trusts physical power but true power lies in my relationship with You. You are the LORD, God Almighty, the great I AM and the One whose love will never fail.

This meditation marks the seventh anniversary of Voices Together. It has been a most fruitful exercise. My prayer is that others have profited as I have. Thank you to each who have shared a comment or two regarding the way the Spirit has spoken to you through these musings.

Wednesday, 8 April 2015

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, how you care for Your people. How You watch out for us. Your Church is under Your wings at all times and in all aspects.

We have nothing to fear for You are with us. Those who trust in You and are committed to Your service know that You will never leave us or forsake us.

Thursday, 9 April 2015

Psalm 15-20

He sends out his command to the earth; his word runs swiftly. He gives snow like wool; he scatters frost 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!

It is by Your Word that all things are created and made to function in their appointed roles. It is Your Word that is the definition of all that is good and true. It is Your Word that the Church is given to guard and promulgate to all the nations. We are called as Your Messengers and Your Ambassadors.

Friday, 10 April 2015

Revelation 4:1-11

After this I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this." 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. Around the throne were twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones were twenty-four elders, clothed in white garments, with golden crowns on their heads. From the throne came flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and before the throne were burning seven torches of fire, which are the seven spirits of God, and before the throne there was as it were a sea of glass, like crystal. And around the throne, on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with the face of a man, and the fourth living creature like an eagle in flight. And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God

Almighty, who was and is and is to come!" And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to him who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying, "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."

Human language fails; human thought cannot comprehend; beyond all of mankind's greatest thinkers to express the incredible beauty and awesome essence of the Throne Room. We can only join with the twenty-four elders in praise, worship and thanksgiving.

Saturday, 11 April 2015

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.

The Day is coming when all creation will rise up in exultation to praise You. The paeans will thunder from the mountaintops, they will reverberate from the depths and echo from the very ends of the Universe. No thing that is will be silent, all creation will be prostrate before You. Come, Lord Jesus, come quickly.

Lord's Day, 12 April 2015

Psalm 119:46-47

I will also speak of your testimonies before kings and shall not be put to shame, for I find my delight in your commandments, which I love.

Bingo, I just prayed for guidance regarding the In the Gates posting on FB tomorrow and there You are with the word I needed. Praise You, Lord.

VOICES TOGETHER

Daily Meditations from the Psalms



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