



Reading 1: Ezekiel 33:7-9

Thus says the LORD: You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel; when you hear me say anything, you shall warn them for me. If I tell the wicked, “O wicked one, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way, the wicked shall die for his guilt, but I will hold you responsible for his death. But if you warn the wicked, trying to turn him from his way, and he refuses to turn from his way, he shall die for his guilt, but you shall save yourself.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 95

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Reading 2: Romans 13:8-10

Brothers and sisters: Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; you shall not kill; you shall not steal; you shall not covet,” and whatever other commandment there may be, are summed up in this saying, namely, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law.

Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples: “If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, so that ‘every fact may be established on the testimony of two or three witnesses.’ If he refuses to listen to them, tell the church. If he refuses to listen even to the church, then treat him as you would a Gentile or a tax collector. Amen, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.”

Lectio Divina

Before you begin to read, take a moment to place yourself in the presence of God and ask the Holy Spirit to help you to pray.

1

READ

Read the following passage for this upcoming Sunday's Gospel three times very slowly somewhere quiet.

Matthew 18:21-35

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times. That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who decided to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the accounting, a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount. Since he had no way of paying it back, his master ordered him to be sold, along with his wife, his children, and all his property, in payment of the debt. At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.' Moved with compassion the master of that servant let him go and forgave him the loan. When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a much smaller amount. He seized him and started to choke him, demanding, 'Pay back what you owe.' Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.' But he refused. Instead, he had the fellow servant put in prison until he paid back the debt. Now when his fellow servants saw what had happened, they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master and reported the whole affair. His master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?' Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should pay back the whole debt. So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart."

2

REFLECT

Meditate on the passage by sitting in silence and allowing a word or phrase to jump out at you. Perhaps you even put yourself in the scene. What is God saying to you through this?

3

RESOLUTION

Make a concrete and simple resolution for the day or week ahead based on what God is telling you. Example: Today I will pray a decade of the rosary before I go to bed for my spouse.

I Sing the Mighty Power of God 575

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1. I sing the might - y pow'r of God, That
2. I sing the good - ness of the Lord, That
3. There's not a plant or flow'r be - low, But



1. made the moun-tains rise; That spread the flow - ing
2. filled the earth with food; He formed the crea - tures
3. makes thy glo - ries known; And clouds a - rise, and



1. seas a - broad, And built the loft - y skies. I
2. with his word, And then pro-nounced them good. Lord,
3. tem-pests blow, By or - der from thy throne; While



1. sing the Wis - dom that or - dained The sun to rule the
2. how thy won - ders are dis - played, Wher - e'er I turn my
3. all that bor - rows life from thee Is ev - er in thy



1. day; The moon shines full at his com - mand,
2. eye; If I sur - vey the ground I tread,
3. care, And ev - 'ry - where that man can be,



1. And all the stars o - bey.
2. Or gaze up - on the sky!
3. Thou, God are pres - ent there.

Lord of All Hopefulness 622

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1. Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
2. Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
3. Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
4. Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



1. Whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy:
2. Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
3. Your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace:
4. Whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm:



1. Be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
2. Be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,
3. Be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,
4. Be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,



1. Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
2. Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
3. Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
4. Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

537 God of Grace and God of Glory

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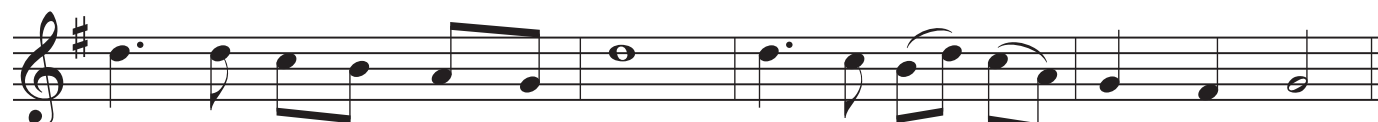
1. God of grace and God of glo - ry, On thy peo - ple
2. Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us Scorn thy Christ, as -
3. Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, Bend our pride to



1. pour thy pow'r; Crown thine an - cient Church-'s sto - ry;
2. sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
3. thy con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,



1. Bring her bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
2. Free our hearts to faith and praise: Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
3. Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,



1. For the fac - ing of this hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.
2. For the liv - ing of these days, For the liv - ing of these days.
3. Lest we miss thy king - dom's goal, Lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.

Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1878-1969

John Hughes, 1873-1932

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fulness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The Son of God was glorified
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

I Surrender

Here I am
Down on my knees again
Surrendering all, Surrendering all

Find me here
Lord as You draw me near
Desperate for You, Desperate for You
I surrender

Drench my soul
As mercy and grace unfold
I hunger and thirst, I hunger and thirst

With arms stretched wide
I know You hear my cry
Speak to me now, Speak to me now

I surrender
I surrender
I want to know You more
I want to know You more

Like a rushing wind
Jesus breathe within
Lord have Your way
Lord have Your way in me
Like a mighty storm
Stir within my soul
Lord have Your way
Lord have Your way in me
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Suggested donations: Granola bars, individual bags of chips, crackers, cookies, gummies, nuts, dried fruits, trail mix, homemade cookies in bags of 2 or 3, bottled water. Soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes, shampoo, deodorant, disposable razors, shaving cream, baby wipes, paper towels, toilet paper, cleaning supplies, feminine hygiene, pet food.

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Begins September 13

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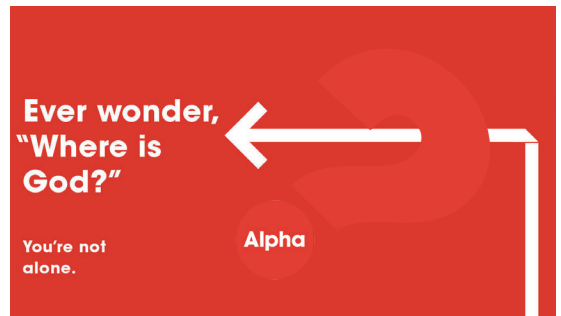
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