



...gathering from the 4 winds.....

“come just as you are”
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~Thought For The Day~



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Prayer

God Father; in Jesus' name I ask it, I ask that in all our getting, that we remember it all came from You was, created by You, and that we thank You always that our needs are met. Give us wisdom as we study Your Word. Give each person peace and bless them, in Jesus' name. Amen...

Scripture

1 And he spoke a parable to them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint; Rom 12:12; Eph 6:18; Col 4:2; 1Thess 5:17; 2 Saying, There was in a city a judge, which feared not God, neither regarded man: 3 And there was a widow in that city; and she came to him, saying, Avenge me of my adversary. 4 And he would not for a while: but afterward he said within himself, Though I fear not God, nor regard man; 5 Yet because this widow troubles me, I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary me.

6 And the Lord said, Hear what the unjust judge said. 7 And shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night to him, though he bear long with them? Rev 6:10; 8 I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man comes, shall he find faith on the earth?

9 And he spoke this parable to certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: 10 Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. 11 The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank you, that I am not as other men are, extortionists, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican. Isa 1:15; Isa 58:2; Rev 3:17-18; 12 I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. 13 And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes to heaven, but smote on his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. 14 I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalts himself shall be abased; and he that humbles himself shall be exalted. Job 22:29; Prov 29:23; Matt 23:12; Luke 14:11; Jas 4:6; Jas 4:10; 1Pet 5:5;

Luke 18: 1-14

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Jesus prayed a great deal, (Luke 11:1), and He talked a great deal about Prayer. To the disciples, " If you have faith, even as a grain of mustard seed, and doubt not in your heart, but believe that it shall come to pass, you shall say to this mountain, remove from hence to yonder, and it shall be done; and nothing shall be impossible unto you. All things, whatsoever you shall ask in prayer, believing, you shall receive. All things are possible to him that believes (Matthew 17:20; 21:22 Mark 9:23; 11: 22-25). The emphasis that Jesus put on faith is just simply astounding. We are not sure that it can be explained away by calling it hyperbole. Nor by interpreting these strange, strong words to mean only that Jesus was conferring upon the Apostles special miraculous powers as a divine attestation to their mission in founding the Church. We know that Jesus did give the Apostles power to work miracles that it would be foolish for us to claim. We know also that the Apostles could not use those powers at will, sometimes they could work miracles, sometimes they could not. In Ephesus multitudes were healed by handkerchiefs that had touched Paul's body (Acts 19:12). Yet at another time Paul could not heal even his own beloved co-worker, and wrote, " Trophimus I left at Miletus sick" (11 Tim. 4:20) it seems that God used His own judgment as to when to let the Apostles work miracles.

When Jesus talked about prayer and faith, strange as some of His words may sound to us, He knew what He was talking about. He came out of the unseen world, and He was perfectly familiar with forces and powers that play behind the veil that we know nothing about. We ought not to be too determined to explain everything that Jesus said about prayers so as to bring it within range of our finite understanding. It might be, if only we would apply ourselves with enough patience and persistence and perseverance to the practice of prayer, that we could reach attainments that we do not ordinarily dream are possible. Jesus meant something by these words, He did not talk just to hear himself talk. He was aiming to teach some of the most fundamental lessons of human existence for all mankind of all generations. God holds in His hands the workings and inter workings of the forces of the universe, and is able to bring into play powers that we know nothing about to supplement and control those that we do know about. Jesus said that God may be induced to do this through our faith in Him. (Halley's Bible Handbook; 1965; pg. 517-518)

Luke 18:8 Jesus asks whether He will find faith on the earth when He returns. We need to remember that God is pleased with us as long as we believe. We need to maintain a high level of confidence in Him, we must deal sternly with our flesh and not allow it to rule, remembering that Jesus wants to find us full of faith.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, nor shall the flame scorch you.

— Isaiah 43:2

In Luke 18:17. Jesus stressed the importance of being child like in our faith. What are children like ? Matthew 18:3 states they are trusting, lowly, loving and forgiving. We would enjoy our lives more if we only operated in these four virtues.

Jesus tells a parable to people who " trusted in themselves. (Luke 18: 9-14). This means they were proud, they felt confident they were righteous, upright, and in right standing with God because of their own works. It is so easy to develop "I'm better than you" attitude when we compare ourselves to others. Guard your heart against self righteous attitudes, be like the man in this parable who trusted in the mercy of God...not in himself or his own goodness. If you have a miserable past, are your current circumstances negative and depressing? Do you face situations that are so bad it seems you have no real reason to hope? Then I say to you your future is not determined by your past or your present. Believe that with God all things are possible. Humanly, some things may be impossible, but we serve a God who created everything we see out of nothing. Give God your nothingness and watch Him go to work, all He needs is your faith in Him, just believe and He will do the rest.

The Disciples were from the humbler classes, but some of them were wealthy and influential; Peter, James, John and Andrew were well to do business men. Matthew, being a tax collector, was probably well to do. Among the women who went about with Jesus was Joanna the wife of Herod's steward, a woman from the palace of the king. Martha, Mary and Lazarus were among the wealthy families around Jerusalem. Joseph of Arimathea, and Nicodemus, were members of the Sanhedrin. The Nobleman of Capernaum was probably an officer of Herod's court. The Centurion of Capernaum, who built their synagogue was and officer of the Roman army. Zacchaeus the publican was a rich man.

15 Behold, they shall surely gather together, but not by me: whoever shall gather together against you shall fall for your sake. 16 Behold, I have created the smith that blows the coals in the fire, and that brings forth an instrument for his work; and I have created the waster to destroy. 17 No weapon that is formed against you shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against you in judgment you shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, said the LORD. Isaiah 54: 15-17



Psa 119:105

**Thy word [is] a lamp unto
my feet, and a light unto my path.**



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