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Preparation

O Lord, open our lips and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits;

Who forgives all your sins and heals all your infirmities;

Who redeems your life from the Pit and crowns you with faithful love and compassion;

Who satisfies you with good things, so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

The Lord executes righteousness and judgement for all who are oppressed.

He made his ways known to Moses and his works to the children of Israel.

The Lord has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom has dominion over all.

Bless the Lord, you angels of his, you mighty ones who do his bidding and hearken to the voice of his word.

Bless the Lord, all you his hosts, you ministers of his who do his will.

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Bless the Lord, all you works of his, in all places of his dominion; bless the Lord, O my soul.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen.

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

Pray together in Silence

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and forever.

Amen.

The Word of God

Psalm 132 (NIV)

- ¹LORD, remember David and all his self-denial.
- ²He swore an oath to the LORD, he made a vow to the Mighty One of Jacob:
- ³ "I will not enter my house or go to my bed,
- ⁴I will allow no sleep to my eyes

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or slumber to my eyelids,

⁵ till I find a place for the LORD,

a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob."

⁶ We heard it in Ephrathah,

we came upon it in the fields of Jaar: [a]

7 "Let us go to his dwelling place, let us worship at his footstool, saying,

⁸ 'Arise, LORD, and come to your resting place, you and the ark of your might.

⁹ May your priests be clothed with your righteousness; may your faithful people sing for joy."

¹⁰ For the sake of your servant David, do not reject your anointed one.

¹¹ The LORD swore an oath to David, a sure oath he will not revoke:

"One of your own descendants
I will place on your throne.

¹² If your sons keep my covenant and the statutes I teach them,

then their sons will sit on your throne for ever and ever."

¹³ For the LORD has chosen Zion, he has desired it for his dwelling, saying,

¹⁴ "This is my resting place for ever and ever; here I will sit enthroned, for I have desired it.

¹⁵ I will bless her with abundant provisions; her poor I will satisfy with food.

¹⁶ I will clothe her priests with salvation, and her faithful people will ever sing for joy.

¹⁷ "Here I will make a horn^[b] grow for David and set up a lamp for my anointed one.

¹⁸ I will clothe his enemies with shame, but his head will be adorned with a radiant crown."

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New Testament Reading

Luke 21:5-19 (NIV)

⁵ Some of his disciples were remarking about how the temple was adorned with beautiful stones and with gifts dedicated to God. But Jesus said, ⁶ "As for what you see here, the time will come when not one stone will be left on another; every one of them will be thrown down."

⁷ "Teacher," they asked, "when will these things happen? And what will be the sign that they are about to take place?"

⁸ He replied: "Watch out that you are not deceived. For many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am he,' and, 'The time is near.' Do not follow them. ⁹ When you hear of wars and uprisings, do not be frightened. These things must happen first, but the end will not come right away."

¹⁰ Then he said to them: "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. ¹¹ There will be great earthquakes, famines and pestilences in various places, and fearful events and great signs from heaven.

¹² "But before all this, they will seize you and persecute you. They will hand you over to synagogues and put you in prison, and you will be brought before kings and governors, and all on account of my name. ¹³ And so you will bear testimony to me. ¹⁴ But make up your mind not to worry beforehand how you will defend yourselves. ¹⁵ For I will give you words and wisdom that none of your adversaries will be able to resist or

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contradict. ¹⁶ You will be betrayed even by parents, brothers and sisters, relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷ Everyone will hate you because of me. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ Stand firm, and you will win life.

Prayers

Let us pray together for:

That this day may be holy, good and joyful: we pray to you, O Lord.

That we may offer to you our worship and our work: we pray to you, O Lord.

That we may strive for the well-being of all creation: we pray to you, O Lord.

That in the pleasures and pains of life, we may know the love of Christ and be thankful: we pray to you, O Lord.

That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit, in communion with all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ: we pray to you, O Lord.

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

Intercessions are Offered

All who are sick in body, mind or spirit
Those in the midst of famine or disaster
Victims of abuse and violence, intolerance and prejudice
Those who are bereaved
All who work in the medical and healing professions

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We pray for the Kingdom of God to come

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer

Collect

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Awaiting his coming in glory, as our Savior taught us, so we pray:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.

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For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.

Amen.

The Conclusion

The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and keep us in eternal life.

Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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