

Monday, 14 November 2016

Psalms 13:1-6

To the choirmaster. A Psalm of David. How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me? How long must I take counsel in my soul and have sorrow in my heart all the day? How long shall my enemy be exalted over me? Consider and answer me, O LORD my God; light up my eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death, lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over him," lest my foes rejoice because I am shaken. But I have trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the LORD, because he has dealt bountifully with me.

Like David, I have often been in despair because the LORD has not answered my prayer in the timing I expect. I am quick to forget that an unspoken part of the belief/faith/trust/commit/obey behavior that He expects from His disciples is to wait upon Him. But like David, I must trust in His steadfast love. He does answer in the fullness of His time.

Tuesday, 15 November 2016

Psalms 22:7-8

All who see me mock me; they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;"He trusts in the LORD; let him deliver him; let him rescue him, for he delights in him!"

Words repeated at the Cross; and frequently today to Christ's followers. It is difficult enough to stand against the doubts sown in my mind by the Evil One, but far more difficult when it comes from friends and family. Give me strength to withstand the scorn and derision of those around me.

Wednesday, 16 November 2016

Psalms 20:7

Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the LORD our God.

Trust in the name of the LORD, God the Almighty. And

go out swinging the claymore of the LORD. Ps 149:6
2 Corinthians 10:4 *For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds.*

Thursday, 17 November 2016

Psalms 21:7

For the king trusts in the LORD, and through the steadfast love of the Most High he shall not be moved.

LORD, bring us leaders who trust in You while we wait for Your return, the King who is LORD.
What a day of rejoicing that will be.

Friday, 18 November 2016

Psalms 22:4-5

In you our fathers trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them. To you they cried and were rescued; in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

Thinking about the Honor Roll of the faithful in Hebrews 11 and the Great Cloud of Witnesses in 12:1; all characterized by lives of obedience and trust. Also, it just soaked in that the greatest shame is not trusting You.

Saturday, 19 November 2016

Psalm 22:9

Yet you are he who took me from the womb; you made me trust you at my mother's breasts.

I wish this had been so. Not that my parents didn't try to raise me according to the Word of God. They did! But I was in my forties before I finally heard that soft voice say, "Trust Me, I will never leave you nor forsake you"
The journey continues; my faith grows for His promises have never failed.

Lord's Day, 20 November 2016

Psalm 119:31

I cling to your testimonies, O LORD; let me not be put to shame!

When I cling, there is no problem but when I ignore or temporize, then problems abound and shame is my rightful due.

VOICES TOGETHER

Daily Meditations from the Scriptures



November 14-20, 2016

I was dealing with a very difficult and perplexing problem in the spring of 1989 and tackling it by trying to learn everything I could on the subject. One evening, as I continued my studies, God told me very clearly that the root of the problem was that I did not know Him. I put down the book I was reading and picked up a Bible figuring that was where I was going to find Him. That began what has been a 27-year search to know, really know in a John 17:3 way, the Lord, God the Almighty.*

Voices Together has and continues to be, a very important part of that search. It is extracted from my daily meditations and is shared in the hope that others will be encouraged to turn to the Scriptures as a rich source of guidance for prayer and meditation.

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*LORD or LORD, God the Almighty always refers to the Trinitarian God.