

PRAYERS AT WORK, November 22- 26, 2010

Monday, November 22, 2010 - (Meditation: Psalm 143:10) God, I have several roles, but I often overlay one to the exclusion of the others. I am a husband, father, grandfather, breadwinner, son, citizen, and servant. Help me to spend quality time in each and every role, and to keep them properly balanced. Help me to review them often, for they change over time. God, use ALL of my life to fulfill Your mission for me. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Tuesday, November 23, 2010 - (Meditation: Romans 8:28) God, when my eyes are on You, every moment is filled with Your grace. Whether the moment brings ease or difficulty . . . whether the moment brings bliss or pain . . . whether the moment brings change or sameness . . . whether the moment brings fulfillment or longing. Whatever the moment brings, whether life or death, I know You are in control. Whatever the moment brings, I know that You use it for good to those who love You, to those who are called according to Your purpose. I praise You, the God of every moment, and of all time! In Jesus' name. Amen.

Wednesday, November 24, 2010 - (Meditation: Psalm 28:6-7) God, prayer is usually my first reaction when crisis strikes. Desperation doesn't quibble. When I reach the breaking point, when my life is like shattering glass, I turn instinctively to You. When my strength fails, I reach out to You. How grateful I am that when I'm desperate, my first reaction is to reach out to You and cry, "O GOD! I NEED YOU!" Thank You for giving me this instinct, but help me not to wait for a crisis before I come home to You. Through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Thursday, November 25, 2010 - (Meditation: Psalm 100:4-5) God, on this Thanksgiving Day, we join our hearts in praise and gratitude to You. We are grateful for family and friends, for times together, and for happy memories. We give You thanks for our lives, for our life together, and for eternal life. God, no matter how we come to You -- whether staggering from the battles of life, or stooped in weariness, or sinking to our knees in repentance -- we come to praise Your name, to ask for Your forgiveness, and to pray for Your strength. God, amid our cornucopia of blessings this Thanksgiving, we pray for those who are hungry, for those who are in pain, for those who are oppressed, and for those who serve abroad in our armed services. God, may our thanksgiving not stop with words, but show in our actions. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Friday, November 26, 2010 - (Meditation: Luke 2:8-12) Almighty God, in the season of Advent, prepare my heart for a Christmas pilgrimage. Like the shepherds, who were busy at work, I need to hear once again the good tidings of great joy. Like the wise men, I need to follow Your star and bring gifts to Your Son. O God, may the majesty of a simple manger, the joys of a silent night, and the birth of a little baby, fill my heart and show in my life this Christmas, and always. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

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