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Monday, December 7, 2009 -- (Meditation: Isaiah 41:10) God, on the anniversary of the surprise attack on Pearl Harbor, we understand why that day lives in infamy. But turn our hearts from bitterness to celebration for all those who fought for our freedom. We pray for those who gave their lives in that fight, and for those who were wounded in protecting our nation. God, we pray for those in the armed services today, and for all who love them and wait for their return. Protect them, and guide them through all the long nights away from home. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Tuesday, December 8, 2009 -- (Meditation: James 5:7-8) God, perhaps this is the end of America's great run of economic growth, the greatest in the history of the world. During that time we did not match economic growth with spiritual growth. We were owned by our gadgets, buried by the fast pace of change, and cut off from what is true, what is moral, and what is eternal. In poll after poll even wealthy Americans admitted to being deeply lonely. God, lead us to repentance. Help us to focus on what is truly important, and help us to be one nation under God.

Wednesday, December 9, 2009 -- (Meditation: Psalm 146:1-2) Almighty God, for the dawning of this new day, and for the joy of work to be done, I give You thanks. For times of stillness and quiet, I give You thanks. For the deep faith of those who suffer and who put to shame my petty self-concerns, I give You thanks. For those I love, and for sharing life with them, I give You thanks. For Christ who gives life meaning, and for sharing eternal life with Him, I give You thanks. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Thursday, December 10, 2009 -- (Meditation: Philippians 4:6-7) Dear God, I pray for those who have lost their jobs, and for others who are afraid they will lose theirs, too. Down-sizing, mergers, and out-placements make many jobs vulnerable. God, help those of us who have a good job and who prosper, to help those without work, to help the homeless, to support children in poverty, to serve the frail and elderly, and to witness to Your saving power this Christmastide, and throughout the year. I pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Friday, December 11, 2009 -- (Meditation: Galatians 5:13-15) God, shed Your grace on America. Crown her good with brotherhood, from sea to shining sea. Mend her every flaw. Confirm her soul in self control, her liberty in law. Refine our nation till all success be nobleness, and every gain divine. Amen. (from "America the Beautiful")

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