Monday, April 12, 2010 - (Meditation: I Corinthians 15:58) God, may my mind be dedicated to seek You . . . my reason dedicated to discern You . . . my spirit to know You . . . my ears to hear You . . . my hands to serve You . . . my eyes to see You . . . my tongue to proclaim You . . . my life to please You. And, God, grant me the perfect end: Your holy presence, a blessed resurrection, and life everlasting. (Adapted from a prayer by Benedict of Nursia)

Tuesday, April 13, 2010 - (Meditation: Matthew 5:7) God, You uphold the cause of the oppressed. I confess that I don't do enough of that. I know I should do more. God, take away my anxiety when I am with those who are desperately ill or desperately poor. I feel so inadequate. Fill me with love and compassion. Change my heart, O God. I want to have the heart of Christ, and follow in His footsteps of service. Amen.

Wednesday, April 14, 2010 - (Meditation: II Corinthians 1:3-5) God, my friend's wife died. They had been married over 50 years. He said his loneliest times are when he wakes up in the morning and when he goes to bed at night. God, his pain is heart-wrenching. Hold my grieving friend very close, and help me to be a good listener and a faithful friend. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Thursday, April 15, 2010 - (Meditation: Hebrews 13:5) Heavenly Father, every time I'm not content it's because I've forgotten Who is Owner and who is steward. I've reversed the pecking order between You and me many times, and every time I do, stress replaces contentment. God, help me to keep my life in the right perspective. The work of the steward is to serve the owner, and You are the owner of the entire universe! Help me to remember Who's in charge of my life. Amen.

Friday, April 16, 2010 - (Meditation: Jeremiah 10:6) God, the countless stars speak of Your infinite majesty. The agony of the Cross speaks of Your infinite grace. The peace in my heart speaks of Your infinite love. O God, how great is Your majesty, Your grace, and Your love! Amen.

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