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Monday, March 9, 2009 -- (Meditation: Psalm 31:2-5) God, in our sea of relativism and shifting values, the Ten Commandments are a gift of love. They guide us through shifting seas. They anchor us in Your truth. Going through life with no fixed points abandons us to the turmoil of "anything goes." You have not abandoned us to mindlessness and meaninglessness. You are a Mighty Fortress, and Your commandments are gifts of Your grace. I praise You that when we are tossed about by the angry waves of conflicting values, You are the Rock of Ages.

Tuesday, March 10, 2009 -- (Meditation: Luke 15:7) God, I want to be a Christian without yielding to Your discipline. I want repeated conversions without consistent discipleship. I want my heart to be yielded to You, but not my habits. I want to receive blessings, without passing them on. O God, I know that a half-yielded life is an un-yielded life. Forgive my willfulness and my selfishness. Help me to repent and to yield my will and my ways to You. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Wednesday, March 11, 2009 -- (Meditation: Habakkuk 2:20) Almighty God, You hear my prayers, my words, and my petitions all the time. You listen to my requests, my complaints, my pleas. Rarely am I silent . . . still . . . calm . . . ready to listen. God, teach me how to block out the world's noise until it loses its grip on me. Teach me how to meditate. Grant me the gift of being still . . . and quiet . . . and calm . . . and aware that You are near. Help me to listen and to wait. Help me to be still and know that You are God.

Thursday, March 12, 2009 -- (Meditation: II Corinthians 3:1-3) God, she has a big smile that makes everyone feel good. She works hard. She knows her business. She deserves a promotion. When I promoted her, and gave her the new job description, she hesitated. I could tell that she was embarrassed. Slowly, painfully, she told me that she couldn't read. When she was a young girl, she had to drop out of school to work full time. She had never learned to read. She has covered it up all these years. Our company provides literacy classes, but she didn't attend because she was too ashamed. She thanked me for the promotion, but said she had rather stay in her hourly job. God, bless her and those like her. And help me never to take literacy for granted. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Friday, March 13, 2009 -- (Meditation: Psalm 136:1-3) "Give thanks to the Lord, for His love is steadfast. Give thanks to the God of gods, for His steadfast love endures. O give thanks to the Lord of lords, for His steadfast love endures forever." God, thank You for Your enduring love, and for knowing that nothing can separate me from Your love. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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