Monday, May 24, 2010 - (Meditation: Galatians 6:7-8) God, my heart, like a garden, grows what I plant. When I sow seeds of love, then flowers of caring grow. When I plant seeds of fear, then weeds of doubt and anger grow. God, help me to sow seeds of love. Help me to water the garden of my heart with Your Word. May the harvest from my garden be love, peace, and joy. Through Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Tuesday, May 25, 2010 - (Meditation: II John 6) Dear God, I'm grateful that I walk a well-trodden path. Patriarchs like Abraham and Isaac walked this same path, leaving great legacies, and You blessed them. Psalmists and wisdom-writers like David and Solomon walked this same path, leaving songs and proverbs for believers, and You blessed them. Prophets like Isaiah and Jeremiah walked this same path, speaking Your word to believers, and You blessed them. Apostles like Peter and John walked this same path, leaving their letters of faith, and You blessed them. Martyrs through the ages walked this same path, holding firm in the faith, and You blessed them. Saints and preachers and missionaries walked this same path, bearing much fruit, and You blessed them. Faithful Christians walked this same path, and You blessed them. What a wonderful heritage!

God, thank You for the great fellowship of believers as we walk the well-trodden path of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Wednesday, May 26, 2010 - (Meditation: Matthew 5:13-16) God, Your spiritual truth clashes with the world's logic. Yet it is true that when I seek to save my life, I lose it; and when I lose my life for Your sake, I find it. You want me to be salt and light in the world. You want me, like salt, to spread Your flavor by dissolving. You want me, like fire, to light the world by sacrificing my selfishness. God, between consumerism and the spiritual life, help me to seek Your will and the good of others, like Jesus, Who came not to be served, but to serve. Amen.

Thursday, May 27, 2010 - (Meditation: I John 4:1-2) O God, in some pockets of our culture, tolerance seems to be an absolute. To some people today, the Old Testament prophets' warnings about false gods would sound intolerant; so would Jesus when He said, "No one comes to the Father but by Me." God, teach me when to be tolerant of the views of others, and when to stand up for the essential teachings of Your Word. Grant me both good will toward all, and the courage to stand up for You. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Friday, May 28, 2010 - (Meditation: I Chronicles 29:11-12) God, I pray for the Justices of the Supreme Court. Grant them discernment and wisdom. As they apply constitutional principles to litigious questions, grant them understanding and good judgment. Grant them integrity and loyalty to uphold one nation under God, with liberty and justice for all. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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