

March 12, Psalms 34 vs 11-22, "Come you children... I will teach you the fear of the Lord"

Morning prayer:

Lord, thank you, that you will cause me to truly inherit blessing by transforming my heart to such an extent that, even when I am falsely accused or belittled, I will be able to respond with genuine kindness. This is because it is not my righteousness, but the righteousness of your Son lived out in me, as I walk one step at a time with your Holy Spirit - The presence and power of Christ seen in my life particularly.

For further studies read 1 Peter 3:8- 18

Afternoon prayer:

Thank you Lord, for using the hardest things in my life to break my heart, so I would not depend on myself, but on your power to carry out and speak your words. Thank you for being near me in my heartache - And even though it is hard to say... I am grateful for the areas of my life that have crushed me so deeply that I have nothing else left but depending on you. It is only by this sort of wounding that out of the abundance of my heart my mouth can speak - returning blessings for those who treat me badly.

Evening prayer:

People often say a house has good bones - meaning at the core there's something to work with. David declares that God keeps all of the bones of the righteous and not one of them is broken. So, even though your trial might feel like it's taking you to the brink of extinction... Be sure that God is maintaining your core of who you are in him.

On the contrary, when somebody condemns a house, they are saying there's nothing left to work with, and it is hazardous to live in. Yet God does not condemn the righteous, he actually redeems the broken parts of our life.

Those who are under condemnation refuse to admit that their current house/heart is hazardous and mold infested... Their condemnation is that they love evil, and darkness rather than light. Because the Light has come into the world, but they hold on to their condemned home instead.

"18 He who believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. 19 This is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds were evil. 20 For everyone who does evil hates the Light, and does not come to the Light for fear that his deeds will be exposed. 21 But he who practices the truth comes to the Light, so that his deeds may be manifested as having been wrought in God." - John 3:18-21