

Luke 22:28-29

(ESV)

28 “You are those who have stayed with me in my trials,

29 and I assign to you, as my Father assigned to me, a kingdom,

1 Corinthians 10:11

(ESV)

11 Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come.

Psalms 51

(ESV)

Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

To the choirmaster. A Psalm of David, when Nathan the prophet went to him, after he had gone in to Bathsheba.

1
Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.

2
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin!

3
For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.

4
Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you may be justified in your words
and blameless in your judgment.

5
Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,
and in sin did my mother conceive me.

6
Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being,
and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.

7
Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

8
Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have broken rejoice.

9

*Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.*

10

*Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.*

11

*Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.*

12

*Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit.*

13

*Then I will teach transgressors your ways,
and sinners will return to you.*

14

*Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God,
O God of my salvation,
and my tongue will sing aloud of your
righteousness.*

15

*O Lord, open my lips,
and my mouth will declare your praise.*

16

*For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would
give it;*

you will not be pleased with a burnt offering.

17

*The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will
not despise.*

18

*Do good to Zion in your good pleasure;
build up the walls of Jerusalem;*

19

*then will you delight in right sacrifices,
in burnt offerings and whole burnt offerings;
then bulls will be offered on your altar.*

Hebrews 8:12

(ESV)

12

*For I will be merciful toward their iniquities,
and I will remember their sins no more.”*

Jeremiah 31:34

(ESV)

34 *And no longer shall each one teach his
neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘Know the
Lord,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of
them to the greatest, declares the Lord. For I will
forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their
sin no more.”*

Ephesians 6:13
(ESV)

13 *Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.*

Luke 22:28-30
(ESV)

28 *“You are those who have stayed with me in my trials,*

29 *and I assign to you, as my Father assigned to me, a kingdom,*

30 *that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.*

2 Corinthians 2:11
(ESV)

11 *so that we would not be outwitted by Satan; for we are not ignorant of his designs.*

Mark 10:29-31
(ESV)

29 *Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel,*

30 *who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life.*

31 *But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”*

Acts 14:22
(ESV)

22 *strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and saying that through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God.*

A Prayer in Old Age
BY SIEGFRIED SASSOON
(1886-1967)

Bring no expectance of a heaven unearned
No hunger for beatitude to be
Until the lesson of my life is learned
Through what Thou didst for me.

Bring no assurance of redeemed rest
No intimation of awarded grace
Only contrition, cleavingly confessed
To Thy forgiving face.

I ask one world of everlasting loss
In all I am, that other world to win.
My nothingness must kneel below Thy Cross.
There let new life begin.

1 Corinthians 2:1-5
(ESV)

Proclaiming Christ Crucified

1 *And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom.*

2 *For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.*

3 *And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling,*

4 *and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power;*

5 *so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.*

1 Corinthians 13:11-12
(ESV)

11 *When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways.*

12 *For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.*

1 Corinthians 13:11-12
(KJV)

11 When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

12 For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.

1 Corinthians 13:4-6
(ESV)

4 Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant

5 or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful;

6 it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth.

Mark 1:4
(ESV)

4 John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

Matthew 26:28
(ESV)

28 for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Galatians 6:14
(ESV)

14 But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

Philippians 3:3
(ESV)

3 For we are the circumcision, who worship by the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh—

Philippians 3:7-8
(ESV)

7 But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. 8 Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered

the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ

2 Corinthians 5:17
(ESV)

17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

Galatians 6:14-18
(ESV)

14 But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

15 For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. 16 And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

17 From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.

18 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

1 Corinthians 15:50
(ESV)

Mystery and Victory

50 I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Hebrews 12:14
(ESV)

14 Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord.