

Space for God Crying Out Day & Night

PREPARATION

In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit...

**As for me, since I am poor and needy,
let the Lord keep me in his thoughts.
You are my helper and my savior.
O my God, do not delay.** Psalm 40:17

CONFESSION

Every time you punished us you were being just.

We have sinned greatly, and you gave us only what we deserved.

Nehemiah 9:33

WORSHIP

Oh, that we might know the Lord!

Let us press on to know him.

**He will respond to us as surely as the arrival of dawn
or the coming of rains in early spring.** Hosea 6:3

MEDITATION & CONTEMPLATION — Luke 18:1-8*

One day Jesus told his disciples a story to show that they should always pray and never give up. “There was a judge in a certain city,” he said, “who neither feared God nor cared about people. A widow of that city came to him repeatedly, saying, ‘Give me justice in this dispute with my enemy.’ The judge ignored her for a while, but finally he said to himself, ‘I don’t fear God or care about people, but this woman is driving me crazy. I’m going to see that she gets justice, because she is wearing me out with her constant requests!’”

Then the Lord said, “Learn a lesson from this unjust judge. Even he rendered a just decision in the end. So don’t you think God will surely give justice to his chosen people who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you, he will grant justice to them quickly! But when the Son of Man returns, how many will he find on the earth who have faith?”

IN SOLITUDE AND/OR COMMUNITY

Read Slowly, several times.

Reflect What does the text say?

Respond How does it relate to my life?

Rest I welcome God’s healing and renewal.

ANCHORING PRAYER

“Oh Lord, give me justice!”

REVIEW OF THE HEART (previous 24 hours)

What have persisted in prayer for?

What have I given up praying for?

WISDOM

O Lord, I cry out to you. I will keep on pleading day by day. Psalm 88:13

Never stop praying. 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Rejoice in our confident hope. Be patient in trouble, and keep on praying. Romans 12:12

O Jerusalem, I have posted watchmen on your walls; they will pray day and night, continually. Take no rest, all you who pray to the Lord. Isaiah 62:6

TESTIMONY *What is God saying to me?*

INTERCESSION *Prayers for the Church, for others, and for me.*

BENEDICTION

**So we keep on praying for you, asking our God to enable you
to live a life worthy of his call.
May he give you the power to accomplish all the good things
your faith prompts you to do.**

[Amen]

2 Thessalonians 1:11

SPACE FOR GOD DAILY

Be still and quiet before God.

Seek the Holy Spirit’s filling and

Speak and act from a listening heart.

Actively serve in community with others.