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Reading and Praying Together May 2024

# May 6, 2024

# Prepare

O Lord, our God, bless our pastor's family, and grant them the grace and strength to support him in his ministry, and to be a source of comfort and encouragement to him.

And may Your love and grace be evident in all that he does, that he may be a shining light in the world, pointing others to the hope that is found in You.

- A selection from A Treasury of Prayers for the Saints

### Memorize

**Colossians 1:15** He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

## Read

### Westminster Shorter Catechism Q79-

Q: Which is the tenth commandment?

A. The tenth commandment is, "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

- Jeremiah 17
- 2 Corinthians 7

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# May 7, 2024

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You are the Most High who rules over the kingdoms of men. Hallelujah! For the Lord God omnipotent reigns, and does according to the determinations of His sovereign will.

May His own glory be praised.

From Dan.4:25; Rev.19:6; Eph.1:11-12

- A selection from A Way to Pray

### Memorize

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## Read

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q80 -

Q: What is required in the tenth commandment?

A. The tenth commandment requires full contentment with our own condition, with a right and charitable spirit toward our neighbor, and all that is his.

- Jeremiah 18
- 2 Corinthians 8

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# May 8, 2024

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Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give You humble thanks
for all Your goodness and lovingkindness
to us and to all whom You have made.
We bless You for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for Your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. Amen.
-A selection from a prayer of George Whitefield

### Memorize

**Colossians 1:15** He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

#### Read

### Westminster Shorter Catechism Q81 -

Q: What is forbidden in the tenth commandment?

A. The tenth commandment forbids all discontentment with our own estate, envying or grieving at the good of our neighbor, and all inordinate motions and affections to anything that is his.

- Jeremiah 19
- 2 Corinthians 9

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# May 9, 2024

# Prepare

I am no longer my own, but Yours.

Put me to what You will, place me with whom You will.

Put me to doing, put me to suffering.

Let me be put to work for You or set aside for You,

praised for You or criticized for You.

Let me be full, let me be empty.

Let me have all things, let me have nothing.

I freely and fully surrender all things to Your glory and service.

And now, wonderful and holy God,

Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, You are mine, and I am Yours.

So be it.

- A prayer of John Wesley

### Memorize

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### Read

#### Westminster Shorter Catechism Q82 -

Q: Is any man able perfectly to keep the commandments of God?

A. No mere man, since the fall, is able in this life perfectly to keep the commandments of God, but does daily break them in thought, word, and deed.

- Jeremiah 20
- 2 Corinthians 10

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# May 10, 2024

# Prepare

Lord, give me grace to hold righteousness in all things
that I may lead a clean and blessed life and prudently flee evil
and that I may understand the treacherous
and deceitful falseness of the devil.

Make me mild, peaceable, courteous, and temperate.

And make me steadfast and strong.

Also, Lord, give to me that I be quiet in words
and that I speak what is appropriate."

- A prayer of John Wycliffe

### Memorize

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## Read

### Westminster Shorter Catechism Q83 -

Q: Are all transgressions of the law equally heinous?

A. Some sins in themselves, and by reason of several aggravations, are more heinous in the sight of God than others.

- Jeremiah 21
- 2 Corinthians 11

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# May 11, 2024

# Prepare

Your love, LORD, reaches to the heavens,
Your faithfulness to the skies.
Your righteousness is like the highest mountains,
Your justice like the great deep.
How priceless is Your unfailing love, O God!
People take refuge in the shadow of Your wings.
They feast on the abundance of Your house;
You give them drink from Your river of delights.
For with You is the fountain of life;
in Your light we see light.
-From Psalm 36:5-9

### Memorize

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## Read

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q84 -

Q: What does every sin deserve?

A. Every sin deserves God's wrath and curse, both in this life and that which is to come.

#### God's Word

Psalm 119:65-80

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# May 12, 2024

# Prepare

God of all good,
in the Supper I remember the Savior's eternal love,
boundless grace, infinite compassion,agony,
cross, redemption, and receive assurance
of pardon, adoption, life, glory.
As the outward elements nourish my body,
so may Your indwelling Spirit invigorate my soul,
until that day when I hunger and thirst no more,
and sit with Jesus at His heavenly feast.

- A selection from "The Lord's Supper" in The Valley of Vision

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#### God's Word

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# May 13, 2024

# Prepare

O God, All-Sufficient,
infinitely great and glorious are You.
Your hands have made and fashioned us.

Your divine power has given us all things necessary for life and godliness. May Your Holy Scriptures govern every part of our lives, and regulate the discharge of our duties, so that we may adorn Your doctrine in all things.

- A selection from "God Over All" in The Valley of Vision

## Memorize

**Colossians 1:16** For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him and for Him.

### Read

### Westminster Shorter Catechism Q85 -

Q: What does God require of us, that we may escape His wrath and curse, due to us for sin?

A. To escape the wrath and curse of God, due to us for sin, God requires of us faith in Jesus Christ, repentance unto life, with the diligent use of all the outward means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of redemption.

- Jeremiah 22
- 2 Corinthians 12

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# May 14, 2024

# Prepare

O Lord, let me not henceforth desire health or life, except to spend them for You, with You, and in You. You alone know what is good for me. Do therefore what seems best. Give to me or take from me, conform my will to Yours, and grant that, with humble and perfect submission and in holy confidence, I may receive the orders of Your eternal providence and may equally adore all that comes to me from You. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

-A prayer of Blaise Pascal

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#### Read

#### Westminster Shorter Catechism Q86 -

Q: What is faith in Jesus Christ?

A. Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace, whereby we receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation, as He is offered to us in the gospel.

- Jeremiah 23
- 2 Corinthians 13

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# May 15, 2024

## Prepare

O Lord, my God, who has called me out of darkness into Your marvelous light, I pray that You would enlighten my understanding that I may know Your will. Help me to discern what is pleasing to You and to follow the path that You have set before me. Grant me the wisdom to understand Your Word, that I may not be led astray by the opinions of men or the deceitfulness of my own heart.

Open my eyes to see the beauty of Your truth, and give me the courage to live according to Your ways.

- A selection from A Treasury of Prayers for the Saints

### Memorize

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### Read

### Westminster Shorter Catechism Q87 -

Q: What is repentance unto life?

A. Repentance unto life is a saving grace, whereby a sinner out of a true sense of his sin, and apprehension of the mercy of God in Christ, does, with grief and hatred of his sin, turn from it unto God, with full purpose of, and endeavor after, new obedience.

- Jeremiah 24
- Galatians 1

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# May 16, 2024

# Prepare

Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad Your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as children of one Father, to whom be dominion and glory, now and forever. Amen.

- A selection from Book of Common Prayer

### Memorize

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### Read

## Westminster Shorter Catechism Q88 -

Q: What are the outward means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of redemption?

A. The outward and ordinary means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of redemption are His ordinances, especially the Word, sacraments, and prayer, all of which are made effectual to the elect for salvation.

- Jeremiah 25
- Galatians 2

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# May 17, 2024

# Prepare

O Lord God, who inhabits eternity,
The heavens declare Your glory, the earth Your riches,
The universe is Your temple;

You have made me what I am, and given me what I have; In You I live and move and have my being. Your providence has set the bounds of my habitation,

And wisely administers all my affairs.

 A selection from "God the Source for All Good" in The Valley of Vision

### Memorize

**Colossians 1:16** For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him and for Him.

#### Read

### Westminster Shorter Catechism Q89 -

Q: How is the Word made effectual to salvation?

A. The Spirit of God makes the reading, but especially the preaching, of the Word, an effectual means of convincing and converting sinners, and of building them up in holiness and comfort, through faith, unto salvation.

- Jeremiah 26
- Galatians 3

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# May 18, 2024

## Prepare

O God, sin has promised freedom from restraint, but has made us slaves to corruption. Sin has promised that we shall not die, directly contradicting Your word. It has promised that if we sin, we shall become as gods, free to determine for ourselves what is good and what is evil. But even as sin has flattered us,

it has spread a net for our feet.

2 Pet.2:19; Gen.3:5; Prov.29:5

-A selection from A Way to Pray

## Memorize

**Colossians 1:16** For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him and for Him.

## Read

#### Westminster Shorter Catechism Q90 -

Q: How is the Word to be read and heard, that it may become effectual to salvation?

A. That the Word may become effectual to salvation, we must attend thereunto with diligence, preparation, and prayer; receive it with faith and love, lay it up in our hearts, and practice it in our lives.

#### God's Word

Psalm 119:81-96

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# May 19, 2024

# Prepare

Three in One, One in Three, God of my salvation,
Heavenly Father, blessed Son, eternal Spirit,
I adore You as one Being, one Essence,
one God in three distinct Persons,
for bringing sinners to Your knowledge and to Your kingdom.
O Father, You have loved me and sent Jesus to redeem me;
O Jesus, You have loved me and assumed my nature,
shed Your own blood to wash away my sins,
wrought righteousness to cover my unworthiness;
O Holy Spirit, You have loved me and entered my heart,
implanted there eternal life, revealed to me the glories of Jesus.

- A selection from "The Trinity" in The Valley of Vision

#### Memorize

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#### God's Word

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# May 20, 2024

# Prepare

O Divine Spirit, help me respond to You.

I would take the events of my life
as good and perfect gifts from You,

I would receive even the sorrows of life as disguised
good and perfect gifts from You.

Whether You came to me in sunshine or in rain,

I would take You into my heart joyfully.A selection from a prayer of George Matheson

### Memorize

**Colossians 1:17-18a** And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church.

### Read

#### Westminster Shorter Catechism Q91 -

Q: How do the sacraments become effectual means of salvation?

A. The sacraments become effectual means of salvation not from any virtue in them or in him that does administer them, but only by the blessing of Christ and the working of His Spirit in them that by faith receive them.

- Jeremiah 27
- Galatians 4

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# May 21, 2024

# Prepare

O You who are the true sun of the world,
evermore rising and never going down, we beseech You
to mercifully and favorably shine into our hearts,
that the night and darkness of sin and the mists of error
on every side, being driven away, You brightly shining
within our hearts, we may all our life long go without any
stumbling or offense, and may walk in the daytime, being
pure and clean from the works of darkness, and abounding in all
good works which You have prepared for us to walk in. Amen.

- A prayer of Erasmus

#### Memorize

**Colossians 1:17-18a** And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church.

## Read

#### Westminster Shorter Catechism Q92 -

Q: What is a sacrament?

A. A sacrament is a holy ordinance instituted by Christ, wherein by sensible signs, Christ and the benefits of the new covenant are represented, sealed, and applied to believers.

- Jeremiah 28
- Galatians 5

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# May 22, 2024

# Prepare

O Lord, help me never to expect any happiness from the world, but only in You.

Let me not think that I shall be more happy by living to myself for I can only be happy if employed for You.

Teach me that if I do not live a life that satisfies You,

I shall not live a life that will satisfy myself.

- A selection from "Happiness" in The Valley of Vision

#### Memorize

**Colossians 1:17-18a** And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church.

#### Read

### Westminster Shorter Catechism Q93 -

Q: Which are the sacraments of the New Testament?A. The sacraments of the New Testament are baptism and the Lord's Supper.

- Jeremiah 29
- Galatians 6

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# May 23, 2024

# Prepare

Great God, save this nation! O God of heaven and earth, stay the floods of infidelity and of filthiness that roll over this land.

Would God, we might see better days! Men seem entirely indifferent now.

They will not come to hear the Word as once they did.

God of our fathers, let Your Spirit work again among the masses. Turn the hearts of the people to the hearing of the Word and convert them when they hear it. May it be preached with the Holy Spirit sent down from heaven.

- A selection from a prayer of Charles Spurgeon

#### Memorize

**Colossians 1:17-18a** And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church.

## Read

## Westminster Shorter Catechism Q94 -

Q: What is baptism?

A. Baptism is a sacrament, wherein the washing with water in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, does signify and seal our ingrafting into Christ, and partaking of the benefits of the covenant of grace, and our engagement to be the Lord's.

- Jeremiah 30
- Ephesians 1

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# May 24, 2024

# Prepare

I confess that I have often relied on my own understanding, and that I have not always sought Your wisdom.

Forgive me for my pride and self-sufficiency, and help me to humbly submit to Your will.

Teach me to be patient, to wait on You, and to trust that You will guide me in the right path.

- A selection from A Treasury of Prayers for the Saints

### Memorize

**Colossians 1:17-18a** And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church.

#### Read

### Westminster Shorter Catechism Q95 -

Q: To whom is baptism to be administered?

A. Baptism is not to be administered to any that are out of the visible church, till they profess their faith in Christ and obedience to Him; but the infants of such as are members of the visible church are to be baptized.

- Jeremiah 31
- Ephesians 2

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# May 25, 2024

# Prepare

O merciful God, grant that I may desire ardently, search prudently, recognize truly, and bring to perfect completion whatever is pleasing to You for the praise and glory of Your name.

Put my life in good order, O my God.

- A selection from a prayer Thomas Aguinas

#### Memorize

**Colossians 1:17-18a** And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church.

#### Read

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q96 -

Q: What is the Lord's Supper?

A. The Lord's Supper is a sacrament, wherein, by giving and receiving bread and wine according to Christ's appointment, His death is showed forth; and the worthy receivers are - not after a corporal and carnal manner, but by faith - made partakers of His body and blood, with all His benefits, to their spiritual nourishment and growth in grace.

#### God's Word

Psalm 119:97-112

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# May 26, 2024

# Prepare

O most great, most just and gracious God; You are of purer eyes than to behold iniquity; but you have promised mercy through Jesus Christ to all who repent and believe in Him.

Therefore we confess that we are sinful by nature and that we have all sinned and come short of the glory of God.

We have neglected and abused Your holy worship and Your holy name. We have not sought first Your kingdom and righteousness.

We have not been content with our daily bread.

You have revealed Your wonderful love to us in Christ and offered us pardon and salvation in Him; but we have turned away. We have run into temptation; and the sin that we should have hated, we have committed.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father! We confess you alone are our hope.

-A selection from a prayer of Richard Baxter

### Memorize

**Colossians 1:17-18a** And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church.

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#### God's Word

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# May 27, 2024

# Prepare

Grant, O God, that Your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart (and especially the hearts of the people of this land), that barriers which divide us many crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease, that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

- A selection from Book of Common Prayer

### Memorize

**Colossians 1:18b** He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent.

## Read

### Westminster Shorter Catechism Q97 -

Q: What is required for the worthy receiving of the Lord's Supper?

A. It is required of those who would worthily partake of the Lord's Supper, that they examine themselves of their knowledge to discern the Lord's body, of their faith to feed upon Him, of their repentance, love, and new obedience; lest coming unworthily, they eat and drink judgment to themselves.

- Jeremiah 32
- Ephesians 3

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# May 28, 2024

# Prepare

Spirit of the Heavenly Father, conquer my will.

Unite my purpose to Your purpose,
that I may be in harmony with all things,
and that all things may work together for my good.
I want Your law which now is outward to become inward

- the breath of my nature, the necessity of my being.
  - A selection from a prayer of George Matheson

### Memorize

**Colossians 1:18b** He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent.

## Read

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q98 -

Q: What is prayer?

A. Prayer is the offering up of our desires unto God, for things agreeable to His will, in the name of Christ, with confession of our sins and thankful acknowledgment of His mercies.

- Jeremiah 33
- Ephesians 4

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# May 29, 2024

## Prepare

Almighty God, when my thoughts are scattered and my emotions are overwhelming, may Your Word be a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. May I find comfort and strength in Your promises, and may Your Spirit guide me into all truth. Teach me to surrender my fears and anxieties to You, and to rest in Your peace that surpasses all understanding. May Your grace be sufficient for me in every trial and every hardship, and may Your power be made perfect in my weakness.

- A selection from A Treasury of Prayer for the Saints

#### Memorize

**Colossians 1:18b** He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent.

## Read

#### Westminster Shorter Catechism Q99 -

Q: What rule has God given for our direction in prayer?

A. The whole Word of God is of use to direct us in prayer; but the special rule of direction is that form of prayer which Christ taught His disciples, commonly called the Lord's Prayer.

- Jeremiah 34
- Ephesians 5

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# May 30, 2024

# Prepare

O eternal, forever blessed and glorious Lord God,
You are God over all and rich in mercy to all who call on You.
You are most wise, powerful, holy, just, and good. You are
completely blessed and happy without us.
You have no need of our services,
but we stand in constant need of Your grace.
Lord, let Your blessings come to us in Jesus Christ,
for Your favor is better than life.
-A selection from A way to Pray

## Memorize

**Colossians 1:18b** He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent.

# Read

# Westminster Shorter Catechism Q100 -

Q: What does the preface of the Lord's Prayer teach us?

A. The preface of the Lord's Prayer, which is, "Our Father in heaven," teaches us to draw near to God with all holy reverence and confidence, as children to a father, able and ready to help us; and that we should pray with and for others.

#### God's Word

- Jeremiah 35
- Ephesians 6

Meditate (How does the reading help you to love God? How
does the reading help you to love others?)
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Rest in Christ ("Be still, and know that I am God." Psalm
46:10a)

# May 31, 2024

# Prepare

O Almighty God, Father and Lord of all creatures,
You have disposed all things and all chances
so as may best glorify Your wisdom,
and serve the ends of Your justice,
and magnify Your mercy,
by secret and indiscernible ways.

Teach me to submit to Your providence in all things
and to look through the cloud,
that I may wait for the consolation of the Lord.
-A selection from a prayer of Jeremy Taylor

### Memorize

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## Read

### Westminster Shorter Catechism Q101 -

Q: What do we pray for in the first petition?

A. In the first petition, which is, "Hallowed be Your name," we pray that God would enable us and others to glorify Him in all that whereby He makes Himself known; and that He would dispose all things to His own glory.

#### God's Word

- Jeremiah 36
- Philippians 1

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# Prepare

O Eternal and Almighty God, with You is the fountain of life.

In Your presence there is fullness of joy,
and at Your right hand there are pleasures forevermore.

It is our privilege, as well as our duty, to draw near to You.

It is the prerogative of our nature,
that of all creatures in this lower world,
we alone are made capable of knowing, resembling,
serving, and enjoying You. We rejoice in Jesus, who has once
suffered for sins, the just for the unjust,

that He might present us to You.A selection from a prayer by William Jay

#### Memorize

**Colossians 1:18b** He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent.

# Read

#### Westminster Shorter Catechism Q102 -

Q: What do we pray for in the second petition?

A. In the second petition, which is, "Your kingdom come," we pray that Satan's kingdom may be destroyed; and that the kingdom of grace may be advanced, ourselves and others brought into it, and kept in it; and that the kingdom of glory may be hastened.

#### God's Word

• Psalm 119:113-128

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does the reading help you to love others?)
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# Prepare

Most gracious God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, give us grace to enter the everlasting Sabbath-rest of the Lord when time and days shall be no more.

Let this day bring us one Sabbath-day's journey nearer heaven, and one Sabbath-day's worship more prepared for it.

We began this Lord's Day with the joyful memory of Christ's resurrection. We conclude it with the joyful expectation of His return in glory, our own resurrection, and our triumph of hope of seeing the fullness of Your glory.

Bless the Lord, O my soul!

Let all that is within me bless Your holy name, for You are good and Your mercy endures forever.

## Memorize

**Colossians 1:18b** He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent.

- A selection from A Way to Pray

## Read

#### God's Word

Reread a passage that particularly spoke to you this week.

Meditate (How does the reading help you to love God? How
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