

Daily Reflections

For Our Time of Dispersion

Week No. One

Evangelical Baptist Church

MONDAY

Morning Reflection

“Let us resolve at once that it shall be the one characteristic of our life and worship,
a continual, humble truthful waiting upon God.”

—Andrew Murray

PSALM

46

PRAYER

Lord, give me a will to be still this morning.
Give me fortitude by the power of your
Holy Spirit, alive and at work in me,
to submit myself completely to your everlasting care.
Amen.

Midday Reflection

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12

Evening Reflection

EPISTLE

James 1:1-2

PRAYER

Lord, bless me with sleep, a gift from you.
Provide for me the refreshment that empowers me to preserve
unto perfect completion in you.
Amen.

TUESDAY

Morning Reflection

“If salvation indeed comes from God, and is entirely His work, just as our creation was, it follows, as a matter of course, that our first and highest duty is to wait on Him to do that work as pleases Him. Waiting becomes then the only way to the experience of a full salvation, the only way, truly, to know God as the God of our salvation... The deep need for this waiting on God lies equally in the nature of man and the nature of God. God, as creator, formed man, to be a vessel in which He could show forth His power and goodness.

—Andrew Murray

PSALM

40

PRAYER

Lord, before you, I set this day.
May each breath I take, each word I say,
every movement of my hands and feet,
be to you a holy sacrifice.
Amen.

Midday Reflection

GOSPEL

John 12:24-26

Evening Reflection

EPISTLE

James 5:7-8

PRAYER

Lord, thank you for preserving me this day.
As I lay down to sleep, I entrust myself to your perfect will.
I place my finite existence in your eternal hands.
Amen.

WEDNESDAY

Morning Reflection

Our private and public prayers are our chief expression of our relation to God:
it is in them chiefly that our waiting upon God must be exercised.

—Andrew Murray

PSALM

130

PRAYER

Lord, may my whole day be a *waiting* on you,
moment, upon moment, upon moment given to you in trusting rest.

Amen.

Midday Reflection

GOSPEL

Matthew 7:7-11

Evening Reflection

EPISTLE

Romans 8:18-25

PRAYER

Lord, as I prepare for bed, I acknowledge
that sleep is a form of waiting upon you.
Through these midnight hours of waiting,
restore my weary body, restore my weary soul.

Amen.

THURSDAY

Morning Reflection

“Before you pray, bow quietly before God, just to remember and realize who he is, how certainly he can and will help you.”

—Andrew Murray

PSALM

23

PRAYER

Lord, my mind knows that you will provide for all my needs.

Lord, I pray, give my heart the same sort of faith.

Amen.

Midday Reflection

GOSPEL

Matthew 6:25-34

Evening Reflection

EPISTLE

Philippians 4:4-7

PRAYER

Lord, as I drift off to sleep may it be on thoughts of things which are true, honorable, just, pure, lovely, commendable, excellence and worthy of praise.

Amen.

FRIDAY

Morning Reflection

“If the question be asked, whether this be anything different from what we do when we pray, the answer is, that there may be much praying with but very little waiting on God. In praying we are often occupied with ourselves, with our own needs, and our own efforts in the presentation of them. In waiting upon God, the first thought is of the God upon whom, we wait.”

—Andrew Murray

PSALM

118

PRAYER

Lord, your love for me is steadfast and enduring.

May my love for you and for those around me
reflect the love you have for me.

Amen.

Midday Reflection

GOSPEL

Mark 12:28-34

Evening Reflection

EPISTLE

Philippians 2:1-11

PRAYER

Lord, thank you that through your sacrifice on the cross

I was able to be a living sacrifice today.

Amen.