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MORNING READING

- **Psalm 43 New International Version**
- 1 Vindicate me, my God, and plead my cause against an unfaithful nation.
- Rescue me from those who are deceitful and wicked.
- 2 You are God my stronghold. Why have you rejected me? Why must I go about mourning, oppressed by the enemy?

- 3 Send me your light and your faithful care, let them lead me; let them bring me to your holy mountain, to the place where you dwell.
- 4 Then I will go to the altar of God, to God, my joy and my delight. I will praise you with the lyre, O God, my God.
- 5 Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.

MAIN READING

Luke 6:13-21

New International Version 13 When morning came, he called his disciples to him and chose twelve of them, whom he also designated apostles: 14 Simon (whom he named Peter), his brother Andrew, James, John, Philip, Bartholomew, 15 Matthew, Thomas, James son of Alphaeus, Simon who was called the Zealot,

16 Judas son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.

Blessings and Woes

17 He went down with them and stood on a level place. A large crowd of his disciples was there and a great number of people from all over Judea, from Jerusalem, and from the coastal region around Tyre and Sidon, 18 who had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. Those troubled by impure spirits were cured,

- 19 and the people all tried to touch him, because power was coming from him and healing them all.
- 20 Looking at his disciples, he said:
- "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.
- 21 Blessed are you who hunger now, for you will be satisfied. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

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- 24 The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, "Children, how hard it is[e] to enter the kingdom of God!
- 25 It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."
- 26 The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, "Who then can be saved?"

27 Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God." 28 Then Peter spoke up, "We have left everything to follow you!" 29 "Truly I tell you," Jesus replied, "no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel 30 will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age: homes, brothers, sisters,

mothers, children and fields—along with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. 31 But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

Jesus Predicts His Death a Third Time 32 They were on their way up to Jerusalem, with Jesus leading the way, and the disciples were astonished, while those who followed were afraid. Again he took the Twelve aside and told them what was going to happen to him.

- 33 "We are going up to Jerusalem," he said, "and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the teachers of the law. They will condemn him to death and will hand him over to the Gentiles,
- 34 who will mock him and spit on him, flog him and kill him. Three days later he will rise."

Isaiah 54:17 - New King James Version 17 No weapon formed against you shall prosper, And every tongue which rises against you in judgment You shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, And their righteousness is from Me," Says the LORD.

John 15:20 New Living Translation

Do you remember what I told you? 'A slave is not greater than the master.' Since they persecuted me, naturally they will persecute you. And if they had listened to me, they would listen to you.

Luke 6:17-19 Amplified Bible

- 17 Then Jesus came down with them and stood on a level place; and there was a large crowd of His disciples, and a vast multitude of people from all over Judea and Jerusalem and the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon,
- 18 who had come to listen to Him and to be healed of their diseases. Even those who were troubled by unclean spirits (demons) were being healed.

19 All the people were trying to touch Him, because [healing] power was coming from Him and healing them all.

John 5:30 New American Standard Bible 30 "I can do nothing [a]on My own. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is [b]righteous, because I do not seek My own will but the will of Him who sent Me.

Matthew 28:18-19 King James Version 18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in

heaven and in earth.

19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Mark 10 New Living Translation

- 23 Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the Kingdom of God!"
- 24 This amazed them. But Jesus said again, "Dear children, it is very hard[f] to enter the Kingdom of God.
- 25 In fact, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of God!"

- 26 The disciples were astounded. "Then who in the world can be saved?" they asked.
- 27 Jesus looked at them intently and said, "Humanly speaking, it is impossible. But not with God. Everything is possible with God."

Revelations 22: 6-7

- 6 And he said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place."
- 7 "And behold, I am coming soon. Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book

Deuteronomy 6:4 New King James Version 4 "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.

Mark 10:28-31 NIV

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- the age to come eternal life.
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Matthew 21:16 New King James Version 16 and said to Him, "Do You hear what these are saying?" And Jesus said to them, "Yes. Have you never read, 'Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants You have perfected praise'?"

Matthew 6:34 New International Version 34 Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

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34 who will mock him and spit on him, flog him and kill him. Three days later he will rise."

Luke 23:28 New International Version 28 In a loud voice they were saying: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"

