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Good morning all

I encourage you to be quiet, still and calm before we begin. Take a few minutes to prepare.....

Praise to you Father, Son and Holy Spirit, for in you we live and move and have our being. Help us to realise that at all times we dwell in you and you are with us and in us. We bring our prayers to you in trust and faith, knowing that with you all things are possible. AMEN

Psalm 107: 1-3,40, 43

Thanksgiving for Deliverance from Many Troubles

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever.

Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,
those he redeemed from trouble
and gathered in from the lands,
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.

he pours contempt on princes
and makes them wander in trackless wastes;
Let those who are wise give heed to these things,
and consider the steadfast love of the LORD.

Matthew 19:23-end

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'Truly I tell you, it will be hard for a rich person to enter the kingdom of heaven. Again I tell you, 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.' When the disciples heard this, they were greatly astounded and said, 'Then who can be saved?' But Jesus looked at them and said, 'For mortals it is impossible, but for God all things are possible.'

Then Peter said in reply, 'Look, we have left everything and followed you. What then will we have?' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, at the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man is seated on the throne of his glory, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or fields, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold, and will inherit eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.'

Reflection

There are many messages in our short Gospel reading today but the phrase which stood out to

me as I meditated upon it was:-

'For God all things are possible.'

How often do we doubt as we pray?

I have a prayer journal where I keep a note of prayers which I pass to our Lord and when I see a solution I write that alongside the prayer. I also remember to give thanks! The answers to prayer are so numerous and not always the answers which I expected. My journals date back for several years and there are some things which I had been praying about for some time and couldn't see any answer. One particular prayer was repeated for eight years but then suddenly my prayer was answered! I remember looking to the sky and thanking God that day - I was amazed - but why?

'For God all things are possible' Praise be. AMEN

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. AMEN

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all evermore. AMEN

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ. AMEN

Blessings and love
Vicky xx