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Good morning everyone

Let us be still, quiet and calm ourselves before we begin.....

Lord God, all power and strength belongs to you,
for you have created the heavens and the earth and all that is in them.
May we give our love to you each day as we find peace and quietness to be with you.
In Jesus name we pray.
AMEN

Psalm 62

Song of Trust in God Alone

To the leader: according to Jeduthun. A Psalm of David.
For God alone my soul waits in silence;
from him comes my salvation.
He alone is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall never be shaken.

How long will you assail a person,
will you batter your victim, all of you,
as you would a leaning wall, a tottering fence?
Their only plan is to bring down a person of prominence.
They take pleasure in falsehood;
they bless with their mouths,
but inwardly they curse.
Selah

For God alone my soul waits in silence,
for my hope is from him.
He alone is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall not be shaken.
On God rests my deliverance and my honour;
my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.

Trust in him at all times, O people;
pour out your heart before him;
God is a refuge for us.
Selah

Those of low estate are but a breath,
those of high estate are a delusion;
in the balances they go up;
they are together lighter than a breath.
Put no confidence in extortion,

and set no vain hopes on robbery;
if riches increase, do not set your heart on them.

Once God has spoken;
twice have I heard this:
that power belongs to God,
and steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord.
For you repay to all
according to their work.

Luke 4:38-end

Healings at Simon's House

After leaving the synagogue he entered Simon's house. Now Simon's mother-in-law was suffering from a high fever, and they asked him about her. Then he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. Immediately she got up and began to serve them.

As the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various kinds of diseases brought them to him; and he laid his hands on each of them and cured them. Demons also came out of many, shouting, 'You are the Son of God!' But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Messiah.

Jesus Preaches in the Synagogues

At daybreak he departed and went into a deserted place. And the crowds were looking for him; and when they reached him, they wanted to prevent him from leaving them. But he said to them, 'I must proclaim the good news of the kingdom of God to the other cities also; for I was sent for this purpose.' So he continued proclaiming the message in the synagogues of Judea.

Reflection

At daybreak he departed and went into a deserted place.

There are many messages in this gospel passage but when I read it meditively this was the sentence which stood out to me. 'He departed and went into a quiet place' Very often we read of Jesus going somewhere quiet to pray but this just echoed about having to get away to somewhere quiet.

How often do we, in our busy lives, allow time to escape.....to get away.....to have space, time, quietness and calmness to recuperate our bodies and our minds? In order to connect with our Lord we need to be away where we can concentrate solely on Him. To pray - but sometimes more importantly - to listen, to wait and to expect.

I always suggest at the beginning of the daily prayers to be still and quiet but do we always make time to do that, or are we always rushing through our day....busy with the next task on our 'To do list'? May I suggest that sometime today you 'depart and go to a deserted place' to recuperate, recharge and wait. You may well be surprised. 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