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Good morning

Let's be still before our Lord.....

For your love revealed in seeking us,
for your love revealed in meeting us,
for your love revealed in accepting us,
we give you thanks and praise.
AMEN

Psalm 111

Praise for God's Wonderful Works

Praise the LORD!
I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.
Great are the works of the LORD,
studied by all who delight in them.
Full of honour and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures for ever.
He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds;
the LORD is gracious and merciful.
He provides food for those who fear him;
he is ever mindful of his covenant.
He has shown his people the power of his works,
in giving them the heritage of the nations.
The works of his hands are faithful and just;
all his precepts are trustworthy.
They are established for ever and ever,
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.
He sent redemption to his people;
he has commanded his covenant for ever.
Holy and awesome is his name.
The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practise it have a good understanding.
His praise endures for ever.

Luke 14: 1-6

Jesus Heals the Man with Dropsy

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a

meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. Just then, in front of him, there was a man who had dropsy. And Jesus asked the lawyers and Pharisees, 'Is it lawful to cure people on the sabbath, or not?' But they were silent. So Jesus took him and healed him, and sent him away. Then he said to them, 'If one of you has a child or an ox that has fallen into a well, will you not immediately pull it out on a sabbath day?' And they could not reply to this.

Reflection

For Jesus, "love" was the supreme law. For the Pharisees, the "letter of the law" was most important. Jesus is not denying that the Sabbath is important. Rather he simply states that God's intention for the Sabbath was: "to do good and to heal." Jesus always followed the "spirit of the law" rather than the "letter of the law." The "spirit of the law of God" **is love!** Thus, if we always strive to be loving, we also will do good and perhaps, we also may help by our loving actions.

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