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Good morning

Welcome to our daily prayer, let's rest be still, quiet and meditate before we begin.....

Lord Jesus, let your peace fill my heart,  
my actions and my days.  
Let your peace be known in my life,  
in my work and in my dealings.  
Help me to be an instrument of your peace  
and to share your peace with others.  
In Jesus name. AMEN

### **Psalm 119: 45-48**

You have dealt well with your servant,  
O LORD, according to your word.  
Teach me good judgement and knowledge,  
for I believe in your commandments.  
Before I was humbled I went astray,  
but now I keep your word.  
You are good and do good;  
teach me your statutes.  
The arrogant smear me with lies,  
but with my whole heart I keep your precepts.  
Their hearts are fat and gross,  
but I delight in your law.  
It is good for me that I was humbled,  
so that I might learn your statutes.  
The law of your mouth is better to me  
than thousands of gold and silver pieces.

### **Luke 19: 45-48**

#### **Jesus Cleanses the Temple**

Then he entered the temple and began to drive out those who were selling things there; and he said, 'It is written, "My house shall be a house of prayer"; but you have made it a den of robbers.'

Every day he was teaching in the temple. The chief priests, the scribes, and the leaders of the people kept looking for a way to kill him; but they did not find anything they could do, for all the people were spellbound by what they heard.

#### **Reflection**

This is a very profound passage for the gospel today.

Yesterday I walked up to Lluc with two friends. The walk including a picnic lunch took us about four hours. We then opted to sit and have a coffee before going into the chapel. We sat and relaxed and chatted after our journey.

Finally we went quietly into the chapel and each sat - socially distanced in our very own space to pray. I have no idea how long we sat there in silence, but I do know that the most amazing peace, calm and comfort descended on me in that place. Jesus was with me and the prayer time was so powerful. This was definitely the highlight of the day for me.

Churches and places of prayer are so important and we should always honour them. Sometimes we can be so carried away by business matters of the church that we can forget to 'be still and know that I am God'. We can allow outside interests to intrude on that sacred space. This passage is a reminder from Jesus of how we should treat our worship areas and to create a space of tranquility and calm. Let us be ever mindful of this teaching - In Jesus name 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