

# Daily Devotional Diary 28 October – 3 November 2013

Readings for the week ([with thanks to gbod.org](http://withthanks.org))

**Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4.** The prophet is appalled at the destruction, violence, and perversion of justice, and wonders whether God is listening or even cares.

**Psalms 119:137-144.** The juxtaposition of the submission in this Psalm and the outrage in Habakkuk is striking. Do not see the Psalm as a "solution" to the prophet's cry, but rather as part of a spectrum of responses reflecting trust in God in the face of the reality of violence and injustice around us that does not seem to abate.

**2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12.** Paul greets the Thessalonians, expressing thanks for their growing faith and their love for one another even in the face of persecution. He assures them of his prayer that they be worthy of God's call and continue to grow in faith so that Christ may be glorified in and through them.

**Luke 19:1-10.** Jesus says to Zacchaeus, "Today salvation has come to this house."

## **Monday:**

**Adoration Focus:** Psalm 92:1 – "It is good to praise the Lord and make music to your name, O Most High..."

**Confession:** 2 Peter 1:5-7 "...make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love." Each day examine yourself using the above call by Peter. Allow God to challenge you in different ways and to fill you with his Spirit of faith, goodness, godliness, perseverance, kindness, self-control and love.

**The Word:** See weekly readings above and use them if they are helpful to you.

**Seeking the Kingdom:**

**Shared Focus:** In our shared focus we pray for our land. This time we pray for the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22) to grow in the midst of all our peoples. Today we pray for love.

**Personal prayers:** (Use this section to list people you need to pray for or situations of personal concern that you need to bring before God in prayer)

**Dedication:** 2 Peter 1:5-7 ...make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love.

## **Tuesday:**

**Adoration Focus:** Psalm 92:2 - ("It is good) to proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night."

**Confession:** See Monday's confession.

**The Word:**

**Seeking the Kingdom:**

**Shared Focus:** In our shared focus we pray for our land. This time we pray for the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22) to grow in the midst of all our peoples. Today we pray for joy.

**Personal Prayers:**

**Dedication:** 2 Peter 1:5-7 ...make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love.

## **Wednesday:**

**Adoration Focus:** Psalm 92:4 – "You make me glad by your deeds, O Lord..."

**Confession:** See Monday's confession.

**The Word:**

**Seeking the Kingdom:**

**Shared Focus:** In our shared focus we pray for our land. This time we pray for the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22) to grow in the midst of all our peoples. Today we pray for peace.

**Personal prayers:**

**Dedication:** 2 Peter 1:5-7 ...make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love.

**Thursday:**

**Adoration Focus:** Psalm 92:4 - "I sing for joy at the work of your hands."

**Confession:** See Monday's confession.

**The Word:**

**Seeking the Kingdom:**

Shared Focus: In our shared focus we pray for our land. This time we pray for the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22) to grow in the midst of all our peoples. Today we pray for patience.

Personal prayers:

Dedication: 2 Peter 1:5-7 ...make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love.

**Friday:**

**Adoration Focus:** Psalm 92:5 - "How great are your works, O Lord, how profound your thoughts."

**Confession:** See Monday's confession.

**The Word:**

**Seeking the Kingdom:**

Shared Focus: In our shared focus we pray for our land. This time we pray for the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22) to grow in the midst of all our peoples. Today we pray for goodness.

Personal prayers:

Dedication: 2 Peter 1:5-7 ...make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love.

**Saturday:**

**Adoration Focus:** Psalm 92:8 - "But you, O Lord, are exalted for ever."

**Confession:** See Monday's confession.

**The Word:**

**Seeking the Kingdom:**

Shared Focus: In our shared focus we pray for our land. This time we pray for the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22) to grow in the midst of all our peoples. Today we pray for kindness.

Personal prayers:

Dedication: 2 Peter 1:5-7 ...make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love.

**Sunday:**

**Adoration Focus:** Psalm 92:15 ... "The Lord is upright; he is my Rock, and there is no wickedness in him."

**Confession:** See Monday's confession.

**The Word:**

**Seeking the Kingdom:**

Shared Focus: In our shared focus we pray for our land. This time we pray for the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22) to grow in the midst of all our peoples. Today we pray for temperance and self-control.

Personal prayers:

Dedication: 2 Peter 1:5-7 ...make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love.