



第38周 靈修默想

每日靈思：請信徒齊來歡然取水，
請先翻開聖經，恭讀相關詩篇，禱告，默想經文，然後再回答問題。

9月27日（星期一）經文：詩篇68：15-19

1. 第18節「仇敵」應譯為「戰俘」。神已經完成什麼事？這帶來什麼結果？（參弗四8-10）。我為基督救我脫離罪惡，如何獻上頌讚感恩？
2. 第19節，主是怎樣的主？祂是怎樣的神？我們當如何回應祂？我們天天的重擔是自己背負還是以信心來交給主？

9月28日（星期二）經文：詩篇68：20-27

1. 第20節是怎樣描述神？第21-23節中，祂怎樣刑罰仇敵，伸張公義？
2. 在第24節，神與我有什麼關係？祂怎樣顯出祂的作為？第25-27節告訴我們當如何稱頌神？神是我的神、我的王嗎？我和眾人常歌頌祂嗎？

9月29日（星期三）經文：詩篇68：28-35

1. 在第28節中，大衛深知能力從何而來？他進一步求什麼？第30-31節，詩人求神怎樣顯出祂的作為？我依靠自己的能力、經驗或求神賜能力？
2. 第32節，詩人怎樣呼籲列國？第33-34節提示我們當歌頌神，為什麼？我歌頌，並願萬國頌讚神嗎？

9月30日（星期四）經文：詩篇69：1-12

1. 第3節描述大衛在困苦時，他怎樣懇切禱告？在第4節中，他有什麼發現體會？當困苦來臨，我勉強自己迫切禱告嗎？在禱告中，更認清事實真相嗎？
2. 第5節，詩人在禱告中對神有什麼認識？在第6節中，他進一步求什麼？在第8-12節，詩人受到哪些羞辱？原因是什麼？我願為主受辱嗎？

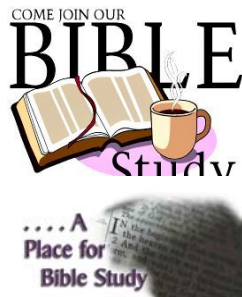
10月1日（星期五）經文：詩篇69：13-21

1. 第13節中，詩人是在什麼時候祈禱？他在第13-14節祈求神按什麼原則來祈求？困難中，我抓住機會祈禱嗎？
2. 第18節，詩人在祈求什麼？第19-22節，為何他這樣求？受辱時，我報復仇恨或向神訴苦？

10月2日（星期六）經文：經文：詩篇69：22-36

1. 第22-27節，詩人願神怎樣伸張公義及刑罰惡人？第26節的理由是什麼？（參徒1：16-20）。我無辜受害時，求神伸張公義嗎？我相信，神必按惡人所行的惡刑罰惡人嗎？
2. 第29節，當惡人受罰時，我仍如何？再祈求什麼？第30節，詩人許下什麼願？第31-33節帶來什麼結果？我因相信神必伸張公義，唱詩讚美神嗎？

Week 38
Building a Tower



"Above all, you must live as citizens of heaven, conducting yourselves in a manner worthy of the Good News about Christ. Then, whether I come and see you again or only hear about you, I will know that you are standing together with one spirit and one purpose, fighting together for the faith, which is the Good News." Philipians 1:27 NLT

Where there is unity, there is much strength—even if people are unified for the wrong reason.

After the flood in Genesis 6-8, the world was one in language, in aspiration, in geographical location and in action. The people decided to build a great city with a tower that would go to the heavens (Genesis 11:1-8).

Why? Not to honor God, but to make a name for themselves and to prevent being scattered over the face of the whole earth. Knowing that nothing would be impossible for them to do because of their oneness, God confused the language of the people and scattered them all over the earth.

Unity of itself is not necessarily good. Oneness in Christ honors our Savior. These people were united, but their purpose was prideful and offensive to the holiness of God. They were seeking equality with God and divine acceptance through human effort.

Consider this...

If we unite to seek power or success, focusing solely on human effort and human rewards, we displease God—and are destined to ultimately fail. Especially in the church, we must be focused on Christ, not on the organization. We must be focused on honoring God, not ourselves. We must always recognize our total dependence on him.

Let us stand "together with one spirit and one purpose, fighting together for the faith, which is the Good News."

Prayer:



Father, forgive me for the times that I've united with others to accomplish something, focusing on selfish ambition and desires rather than honoring you and accomplishing your will. Help me to always focus on you more than any organization or ambition. Help me to honor you in all I do. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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We Need You, Lord

We need you, Lord.
Like lost wanderers
in a burning, empty desert
thirst for cool, clean water,
we long for you to quench us.

In a world gone
progressively mad,
with chaos all around us,
we seek refuge in the order
and purpose of your law.
With evil sneaking,
leaking everywhere,
spreading heavy darkness,
creating feelings of emptiness,
we hunger for your
goodness and light.

Turn us around, Lord, we pray;
retrieve your sheep
who have gone astray.
Draw us to the satisfaction
of your purity and righteousness.

Cleanse us,
and make us more like you,
role models, examples, beacons,
for others who are searching for
meaning for their lives.

Come, Lord Jesus.
We need you, Lord.

Matthew 5:16
Proverbs 4:18

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