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Come, my children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

Whoever of you loves life and desires to see many good days,

keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking lies.

Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

(Psalm 34:11-14, NIV)

And those who have insight among the people will give understanding to the many.

(Daniel 11:33, NASB)

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God will use not only the knowledge of His character to strengthen your life, He will also use you to give understanding to others.

(Kay Arthur, "Lord, I Want to Love You More")

There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.

(Revelation 22:5, NIV)

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Nothing will change until the darkness in our hearts sees a need to find the light.

(Jeff Barraclough, "Valleys of Blood")

Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Never rely on what you think you know. Remember the Lord in everything you do, and he will show you the right way.

(Proverbs 3:5-6, GNB)

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It is God's way and His Word that defines the good, not mine or yours. Therefore, even things that occur contrary to our wishes can finally bring the highest possible good – if we allow God to shape us – because we are children of the Author of good and perfect gifts.

(William Backus, "The Hidden Rift With God")

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the whole armour of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.

(Ephesians 6:10-11, NIV)

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You can only win the spiritual battle with the right weapons. You cannot stop a radio-wave with a fly-swat; you cannot stop a bullet with a plastic raincoat; you cannot stop a laser beam with a piece of cardboard; and you cannot stop the evil one without spiritual armour and the spiritual weapons of the Word and prayer.

(Michael Baughen, "The Prayer Principle")

"... I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. ... I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ..."

(John 10:10b-11, NIV)

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When Jesus left heaven to come and seek and save that which was lost, he could hear the sound of blessing to come, the sound of great rain. He came to pay the price, not to get paid, because he loved us.

(Jill Briscoe, "(Prayer That Works)")

Evil will slay the wicked; the foes of the righteous will be condemned.

The Lord redeems his servants; no-one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.

(Psalm 34:21-22, NIV)