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**Your mercy, O Lord, is in the heavens,
And your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.
Your righteousness is like the great mountains;
Your judgments are a great deep;
O Lord, you preserve man and beast.**

(Psalm 36:5-6, (NKJV))

**... the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray, but
the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express.**

(Romans 8:26, NIV)

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Father, we invite you to work in our hearts today. This day would be nothing without your Spirit – convicting, convincing, encouraging, and helping us. We can do nothing on our own and so we ask for your help in all we do.

(Max Lucado)

**He has showed you, O man, what is good.
And what does the Lord require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy
and to walk humbly with your God.**

(Micah 6:8, NIV)

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God is not glorified so much by preaching, or teaching, or by anything else, as by holy living.

(Catherine Booth, Waiting On The Lord)

**Declare this with a shout of joy, proclaim it, send it forth to the end of the earth: say,
“The Lord has set his people free.”**

(Isaiah 48:20, AAPB, p.215)

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Heavenly Father, the giver of all good things, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and grant that by your holy inspiration we may think those things that are good, and by your merciful guidance may perform them; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

(AAPB & BCP, Easter 5)

**Put on the full armour of God so that you can take your stand against the devil’s
schemes.**

(Ephesians 6:11, NIV)

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... why put the armour on day by day, when it should never be taken off once acquired? Some argue that you cannot go to bed with it on. The armour is by no means uncomfortable, like hair curlers, and does not keep you awake, but certainly may be needed against spiritual attacks during the night.

(Denis Clark, “Gullible’s Travels”)

**May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you
may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.**

(Romans 15:13, NIV)

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Joy is not happiness so much as gladness; it is the ecstasy of eternity in a soul that has made peace with God and is ready to do His will.

(Unknown)

**How precious is your loving-kindness, O God!
Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of your wings.
They are abundantly satisfied with the fullness of your house,
And you give them drink from the river of your pleasures.
For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.**

(Psalm 36:7-8, NKJV)