

DAILY PRAYER MEDITATIONS

October 27-November 1, 2025

Monday, October 27, 2025 (by Marilyn Culler)

1 Peter 4:12-19 <https://tinyurl.com/49nhusts>

PONDER: I've often wondered, as I follow the leadings of Christ in my life, what will become of those who willfully disregard what is good and just, loving and kind. What will become of evildoers, those who have no regard for the widow or the orphan or the poor? I know my God is a loving God, and I know grace, forgiveness and redemption come in many forms. What will become of those who are determined to do the work of injustice? I cannot turn my back on God, the source of all good gifts. God is my strength and my shield in my struggles. Whatever the outcome, I rest in the hope that I have done right by God in my life.

PRAYER: Thank You, God, for always being with me in the struggles and strangeness of this life. Amen.

ACTION: Pray for those who seek to actively harm others.

Tuesday, October 28, 2025 (by Ashl  e Vitz)

Ephesians 2:19-22 <https://tinyurl.com/3ss8j2p2>

PONDER: We are "citizens with the saints," built together as God's dwelling. The faith isn't just personal—it's communal. Do I see myself as part of God's household, or do I live faith mostly alone?

PRAYER: God, thank You for making me part of Your family. Help me to live in unity with others, as a living stone in Your temple. Amen.

ACTION: Reach out to someone in your faith community—encourage them, serve alongside them, or simply remind them they're not alone.

Wednesday, October 29, 2025 (by Marilyn Culler)

Psalms 84:8-12 <https://tinyurl.com/y454ychx>

PONDER: The Lord is both "sun" and "shield," "grace" and "glory." God is Light and gives life. He also provides protection from danger. Living in God's grace, we no longer carry burdens that drag us down. Grace enables us to move forward and share grace with and to others. God's glory imparted to us gives us confidence to face challenges, stay positive and keep going.

PRAYER: Lord of heavenly forces, how good to reside in Your Light! Day and night You surround me with Your Presence. May I reside in You all my days. Amen.

ACTION: Dwell in God's Light and protection today. Try to feel the Presence of the Lord of heavenly forces.

Thursday, October 30, 2025 (by Ashl  e Vitz)

Ephesians 1:11-23; Luke 6:20-31 <https://tinyurl.com/bddjx9ma>

PONDER: Paul reminds us that in Christ we are chosen and sealed with the Spirit, anchored in hope and immeasurable power. Jesus blesses the poor, hungry, mourning, and calls us to radical love for enemies. Together, these readings reveal a kingdom upside-down: strength in weakness, blessing in hunger, glory in mercy. The saints we honor embody this paradox, living out unseen hope in visible love.

PRAY: God of all generations, draw me into the communion of saints. May my life

reflect your blessing in ordinary acts. Amen.

ACTION: Write down the name of a saint in your life—living or dead—who has shaped your faith. Share their story with someone today.

Friday, October 31, 2025 (by Marilyn Culler)

Psalm 32:1-7 <https://tinyurl.com/5dpcx2c3>

PONDER: The psalmist reminds us to pray to God during troubled times. Admitting our shortcomings and sins to God lifts burdens from us so that we can be fruitful in our work in the world. It's okay to talk to God about our fears, angers, confusion as we try to make sense of what's going on in the world. Somehow, in releasing these feelings, we can move forward in our work of making disciples and transforming the world.

PRAYER: Guiding Spirit, Loving God, take my fears, sins and shortcomings so that I have the strength to hear Your call and keep going. Amen.

ACTION: Hiding things from ourselves, from God and from others takes energy. What is weighing you down today? Give it over to God.

Saturday, November 1, 2025 (by Lisa Trigg)

2 Corinthians 2:1-8 <https://tinyurl.com/bdb7ukau>

PONDER: The church at Corinth cared for by the Apostle Paul had a multitude of problems. But Paul saw the humanity of each person, including those who sinned. Paul called sin a “disease” that could be cured with repentance. No one is immune from sin, and it can be difficult to work toward restoration, yet that's what God calls us to do for ourselves and for others. We are to see the person behind the sin. The early scholar Hippocrates brought medicine out of the realm of superstition into the light of observation and testing. And he did not lose sight of each patient's humanity. He wrote that it is more important to know what person the disease has than what disease the person has. Hippocrates believed it was important to know his patients, just as Paul said it is important for those who sin to know they are still loved. No matter what troubles may come to our faith community, God wants us to work toward restoration of the community and the individuals in it.

PRAYER: Dear God, help me see others with eyes of love and forgiveness. Amen.

ACTION: Look up information about Hippocrates, who lived from about 460 to 375 BCE.