



Prayer Space N° 30 -July 2022

Think over the things in your life which you know need healing or changing. God has the power and the desire to rescue you.

Do not fill the silence with output to God. be still in body and spirit and leave the output to God - allow your Lord to accept you and love you as his precious child.

Silence

Lord when we are still far off - you see us and run to welcome us.

When we panic and start sinking - your arms are quick to hold us up.

When we get lost and wander aimlessly - you never stop searching until you have found us.

And so, we come to you worship you, for you are our Good Shepherd and we are the sheep of your pasture.

Come, let us worship and bow down
Let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker
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Let us kneel before the Lord, our God, our Maker

For He is our God
And we are the people of His pasture
And the sheep of His hand
Just the sheep of His hand

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Listen our God is among us as he has promised.

With love he reaches out to us, person to person.

Lord we receive your love.

Some words from Matthew 9:35-36 (NIV)

³⁵ Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd

and Luke 5:12-13 (NIV)

¹² While Jesus was in one of the towns, a man came along who was covered with leprosy. When he saw Jesus, he fell with his face to the ground and begged him, "Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean."¹³ Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man. "I am willing," he said. "Be clean!" And immediately the leprosy left him.

Remember times when you have felt compassion for someone- a rush of love and a longing to help them.

Remember times when you have been loved and rescued by someone.

Silence

It is the very nature of our God to feel for those in distress and long to help them. So we bring to him now all those finding life bewildering, chaotic and out of their control. . . .

May they find shelter under your wings.

We bring to him those who are disillusioned and have given up hope. . . .

May they feel you reaching out to their need.

We bring to you those who have been persuaded that they are not worthy. . . .

May they blossom, knowing they are loved.

Lord it is through our hands that they will know your love;

God of compassion, forgive us for failing to pass on the love you give us so freely.

Enable us and use us to bring your love to the world. Amen

As we have known the compassion of God, we will strive to live with compassion for all his sheep and lambs. Amen.

Do not be afraid, For I have redeemed you. I have called you by your name; You are Mine.

When you walk through the waters I'll be with you;
You will never sink beneath the waves.

When the fire is burning all around you,
You will never be consumed by the flames.

When the fear of loneliness is looming,
Then remember I am at your side.

When you dwell in the exile of the stranger,
Remember you are precious in My eyes.

You are Mine, O My child; I am your Father,
And I love you with a perfect love.

Gerard Markland
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