



## Prayer Space 9 October 2020

This week my thoughts have been with the new circuit initiative- Mission and Ministries and so, I hope, together we can pray and be used for God where we are.

Ephesians 2:8-10 (NIV) "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

It is not by doing good works that we find our salvation, but having found our salvation in Christ we now have a desire to share the love we have found, through our words and actions, and that naturally leads to a life directed toward service and mission.

Servant King, reveal to me the things I cannot see -  
the road ahead, the work prepared, the person I could be.

All I once held dear,  
built my life upon,  
all this world reveres,  
and wars to own,  
all I once thought gain  
I have counted loss;  
spent and worthless now,  
compared to this.

Knowing you, Jesus,  
knowing you,  
there is no greater thing.  
You're my all, you're the best,  
you're my joy, my righteousness,  
and I love you, Lord.

Now my heart's desire  
is to know you more,  
to be found in you  
and known as yours.  
To possess by faith  
what I could not earn,  
all-surpassing gift  
of righteousness.

Oh, to know the power  
of your risen life,  
and to know you in  
your sufferings.  
To become like you  
in your death, my Lord,  
so with you to live  
and never die.

Graham Kendrick (b. 1950)

Help us, with simple words, to explain the warmth  
within our hearts that we experience  
in our encounters with your love and grace -  
the Spirit's flame, still burning bright within -  
that others, in their own journeys of discovery  
might reach out and touch the hand that's always there,  
and be embraced by love.

You call us to leave all things,  
you who had nothing.  
You call us to be servants,  
you who came to serve.  
You call us to share the load,  
you who carried our sin.  
You call us to speak your word,  
you who lived it daily.  
You call us to be followers,  
and in your strength, we will.