

A year ago our lives were deeply affected by quarantine, isolation, and limits. Today, we have a great deal more freedom. How has your behavior changed? Are your efforts more heavily invested in seeking God than a year ago?

If we miss the lessons of the Covid season, we will forfeit much!

**Bible Reading:** Our daily reading is currently moving through Deuteronomy. Do not miss this book; it is a pivotal part of the unfolding narrative of God's dealings with His people.

### **Morning Prayer**

Heavenly Father,

We choose You over all other things. Teach us to be content in You. Help us to see the world around us from Your perspective. Deliver us from the spirit of this present evil age. Holy Spirit, reveal to us anywhere we have allowed a "love for this world" to grow within us. Teach us to walk in paths of righteousness, to love truth, and to live uprightly. Let Jesus' name be exalted throughout the earth, amen.

### **Mid-Day Proclamation**

For this reason I kneel before the Father, 15 from whom his whole family in heaven and on earth derives its name. 16 I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen us with power through his Spirit in our inner being, 17 so that Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith. And I pray that we, being rooted and established in love, 18 may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, 19 and to know this love that surpasses knowledge--that we may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. 20 Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen. (adapted from Ephesians 3:14-21, NIV®)

### **Evening Prayer**

Heavenly Father,

Give us a new boldness to stand for You. Give us an awareness of those around us who are searching. Put Your words in our mouths. Hear our prayers, and respond in Your power to deliver Your people. Turn back our adversaries; may their plans fail. Strengthen us in Your truth; establish wide and effectual doors for the proclamation of the Gospel. Provide resources that will enable us to accomplish all You put before us, without hesitation. May Your Kingdom come and Your will be done on earth, amen.