

TODAY'S DEVOTIONAL *e-mail edition*

Thurs. May 6

SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 9:7-12

KEY VERSE: "Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying" (Acts 9:11).

A Good Start

"He is praying." Saul began his new life on his knees. We walk better if we are on our knees before we get on our feet. We need guidance from the Lord, who said, "I am the way" (John 14:6). That guidance comes as we pray.

Saul prayed for restored sight, and the Lord sent Ananias to deliver His gift of sight. God helps people through people, and sends that help in response to prayer. Prayer is vital to the Christian life at its start and throughout the entire journey. As Andrew Murray long ago observed, there are no graduates from the school of prayer.

Saul saw in his mind what he couldn't see with his eyes-the answer to his prayer. We pray in faith and visions of future good arrive, in God's time and way, as present blessings. He is at work before we pray, as we pray, and after we reach "amen."

Today, praise the Lord who hears and helps us. Thank the Lord for those who hear Him and come to our assistance. Listen to the Lord; He may send you to help someone in need.

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SING TO THE LORD

*Beyond our utmost wants His love and pow'r can bless;
To praying souls He always grants more than they can express.*

"Behold the Throne of Grace" by John Newton

REACH OUT IN PRAYER

Many people in Hong Kong will come to know Christ and receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Now we look inside, and what we see is that anyone united with the Messiah gets a fresh start, is created new (2 Cor. 5:17, TM).

THROUGH THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

Psalms 76-78



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