

## Bible Reflection from Psalm 5

- <sup>1</sup> Listen to my words, LORD,  
consider my lament.
- <sup>2</sup> Hear my cry for help,  
my King and my God, for to you I pray.
- <sup>3</sup> In the morning, LORD, you hear my voice;  
in the morning I lay my requests before you  
and wait expectantly.
- <sup>4</sup> For you are not a God who is pleased with  
wickedness;  
with you, evil people are not welcome.
- <sup>5</sup> The arrogant cannot stand in your presence.  
You hate all who do wrong;
- <sup>6</sup> you destroy those who tell lies.  
The bloodthirsty and deceitful  
you, LORD, detest.
- <sup>7</sup> But I, by your great love,  
can come into your house;  
in reverence I bow down  
towards your holy temple.
- <sup>8</sup> Lead me, LORD, in your righteousness  
because of my enemies –  
make your way straight before me.
- <sup>9</sup> Not a word from their mouth can be trusted;  
their heart is filled with malice.  
Their throat is an open grave;  
with their tongues they tell lies.
- <sup>10</sup> Declare them guilty, O God!  
Let their intrigues be their downfall.  
Banish them for their many sins,  
for they have rebelled against you.
- <sup>11</sup> But let all who take refuge in you be glad;  
let them ever sing for joy.  
Spread your protection over them,  
that those who love your name may rejoice in you.
- <sup>12</sup> Surely, LORD, you bless the righteous;  
you surround them with your favour as with a shield.

## Praying for our World

- Pray for all those suffering with Coronavirus and the medical staff treating them. Pray for scientists trying to develop treatments and a vaccine.

## Praying for our Community

- Pray for Jane Hartnell the Managing Director at Hastings Borough Council.
- Pray for Cllr Kim Forward managing the Council's Covid 19 response.
- Pray for the NHS and especially the Conquest Hospital.
- Pray for all the care homes in our community both for staff and residents.

## Praying for our Mission Partners: Tearfund

- Pray for Tearfund to be able to get food, financial aid and emotional support to those in need.
- Pray for Tearfund partners as they help with healthcare in some of the world's poorest nations. Wisdom is needed for how best to help prevent the spread of disease.
- Pray that other Tearfund projects would still be able to continue.

## Praying for our Church School

- Pray for St Paul's CE Academy as they prepare for a return to school starting next Monday.
- Pray for Richard White as he becomes executive headteacher of both St Paul's and St Leonard's Academies. Pray for Mr Glen and Miss Kiniari as they become heads of school.
- Pray for wisdom for how best to conduct collective worship at this time.

## Praying for our Church

- Pray for Bishop Will Hazelwood, the new Bishop of Lewes
- Pray for our Sunday services this September looking at the bible book of Daniel.
- Pray for the children at Sunday Club as they continue a series on Jesus' parables.
- Pray people want to sign up for the Engage Course this Autumn.
- Pray for wisdom about how to re-start different church groups.
- Give thanks for God's financial provision especially whilst we have had very limited hall income. Please continue to pray for wise choices about how to spend money and for God kindly to provide funding to pay the parish share.

## Praying for Individuals

- Pray for the members of our church family in nursing and residential care homes.
- Pray especially for Joyce Blackledge, Peggy Blythe, Celia Bray, Vic Chalcraft, Thelma Fogarty, Ailsa King Frances Ross and Freda Tuke.
- Pray for the families and friends of Muriel Osborne and Elsie Marchant as they mourn.
- Pray for Aidan Kavanagh and Jessie Lucas being married here this Saturday.