



Daily Reflections

February 26, 2018

Scripture

Daniel 9: 4-10

"Lord, great and awesome God,
you who keep your merciful covenant toward those who love you
and observe your commandments!
We have sinned, been wicked and done evil;
we have rebelled and departed from your commandments and your laws.
We have not obeyed your servants the prophets,
who spoke in your name to our kings, our princes,
our fathers, and all the people of the land.
Justice, O Lord, is on your side;
we are shamefaced even to this day:
we, the men of Judah, the residents of Jerusalem,
and all Israel, near and far,
in all the countries to which you have scattered them
because of their treachery toward you.
O LORD, we are shamefaced, like our kings, our princes, and our fathers,
for having sinned against you.
But yours, O Lord, our God, are compassion and forgiveness!
Yet we rebelled against you
and paid no heed to your command, O LORD, our God,
to live by the law you gave us through your servants the prophets."

Our Scripture Reflection

The Prophet Daniel provides an intense examination of conscience for us. Yes, we have certainly sinned time and time again against Our God. However, we can not out do His ability to forgive us. When we have lost control, God is in control through the blood of His Son Jesus Christ. May we turn our hearts back to Him beginning today and keep them there.

Food for your Journey

Here are some of the lyrics for Twila Paris' "God is in control":

This is no time for fear/ This is a time for faith and determination/ Don't lose the vision here/ Carried away by emotion.

Hold on to all that you hide in your heart/ There is one thing that has always been true/ It holds the world together.

God is in control/ We believe that his children will not be forsaken/ God is in control.

We will choose to remember and never be shaken/ There is no power above or beside him, we know God is in control.

A Prayer from the Heart

Gracious Lord,

we ask for a boundless confidence

and trust in Your divine mercy,

and the courage to accept

the crosses and sufferings

which bring immense goodness

to our souls and that of Your Church.

Help us to love You

with a pure and contrite heart,

and to humble ourselves beneath Your cross,
as we climb the mountain of holiness,
carrying our cross that leads to heavenly glory. Amen