



# Lenten

# Reflections

The Divine Intervention

**March 22, 2017**

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## Scripture

### **Deuteronomy 4: 1-9**

Moses spoke to the people and said:

"Now, Israel, hear the statutes and decrees which I am teaching you to observe, that you may live, and may enter in and take possession of the land which the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you.

Therefore, I teach you the statutes and decrees as the LORD, my God, has commanded me, that you may observe them in the land you are entering to occupy.

Observe them carefully,

for thus will you give evidence

of your wisdom and intelligence to the nations,

who will hear of all these statutes and say,

'This great nation is truly a wise and intelligent people.'

For what great nation is there

that has gods so close to it as the LORD, our God, is to us whenever we call upon him?

Or what great nation has statutes and decrees

that are as just as this whole law

which I am setting before you today?

"However, take care and be earnestly on your guard not to forget the things which your own eyes have seen, nor let them slip from your memory as long as you live, but teach them to your children and to your children's children."

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## **Our Scripture Reflection**

"...Be careful not to forget...nor let them (the commandments) slip from your memory..." The Book of Deuteronomy purports to be a speech by Moses to the people of Israel before they enter into the Promised Land. Moses describes sin to them as memory loss or forgetfulness. So often it seems when we are in the midst of living life we lose sight of God and His goodness to us. Then, we get ourselves into trouble. We must remember at all times that we are servants of The Lord and are accountable to Him. When we do this, we thrive.

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## **Food for your Journey**

The Way

To every man there openeth

A Way, and Ways and a Way,

And the High Soul climbs the High Way,

And the Low Soul gropes the Low,

And in between, on the misty flats,

To rest drift to and fro.

But to every man there openeth

A High Way, and a Low.

And every man decideth

The way his soul shall go.

--19th-century English poet, William Dunkerley, writing under the pseudonym John Oxenham.

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## **A Prayer from the Heart**

Dear Jesus, Help me to walk more closely with You this day. May all of my thoughts and actions be guided by Your Grace. Amen.