

Saturday, March 16, 2024 - Day 28 of Lent

Open in Prayer:

Lord Jesus, we are amazed and awed that you reign not by a demonstration of power, but through service. You reign not through exaltation, but humility. You reign not through power, but through sacrifice. Help us to reflect your image through service, humility, and sacrifice.

Read Isaiah 55:1-7 (NIV)

“Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost. Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and you will delight in the richest of fare. Give ear and come to me; listen, that you may live. I will make an everlasting covenant with you, my faithful love promised to David. See, I have made him a witness to the peoples, a ruler and commander of the peoples. Surely you will summon nations you know not, and nations you do not know will come running to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has endowed you with splendor.” Seek the LORD while he may be found; call on him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake their ways and the unrighteous their thoughts. Let them turn to the LORD, and he will have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will freely pardon.

Answer the following questions:

1. What is the Holy One of Israel pleading with the people to do? Why?
2. What is the invitation given for them to do?
3. What is their response?

Lent is a time for each one of us to admit that we have the same tendencies as those spoken of in Isaiah’s story above. We are prone to neglect God’s Word and actually to reject God Himself.

Read John 4:14.

Lent is also a time for us to come to see Jesus as the woman at the well saw him...what does that look like?

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God of strength and grace, teach us to number our days, that we might present to you a heart of wisdom. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.